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**Tamagusuku Ryu Senju Kai Hawaii Frances Nakachi Ryubu Dojo Holds Their Annual Cultural Fusion Fundraiser on November 22, 2019 at Manoa Grand Ballroom.**

Honolulu, Hawaii - Celebrating 22 years of preserving and perpetuating the Okinawan culture through the art of classical Ryükyüan dance, Tamagusuku Ryu Senju Kai Hawaii Frances Nakachi Ryubu Dojo will hold its annual Cultural Fusion fundraiser on Friday, November 22, 2019.

Cultural Fusionwill be an evening filled with live cultural music and dance, and delicious Okinawan and Hawaiian fusion cuisine, cocktails, and beverages. Guests can enjoy early holiday gifts by participating in our silent auction and raffle to win an i-watch. The Kachashii Contest is a popular competition for all ages that gets everyone up on their feet, and hands up in the air, livening up the party with an Okinawan freestyle dance.

Funds raised supports students in their participation in the konkuru program in Okinawa. It’s purpose is to certify students at various levels in dance. Senju Kai continues to send students to Okinawa each year for training and konkuru so they may become teachers and continue sharing their craft for generations to come. Students travel to Okinawa for vigorous training for three weeks and to undergo stringent tests to obtain certificates of achievement sponsored by the Okinawan Newspaper Company. This process ensures that our craft is authentic and held at the highest standard put in place by our predecessors.

*A* total of nine students have accomplished various levels of certification. Proud to announce that last summer, Eric Kobayashi was able to go to Okinawa for the certification testing and achieved the highest certification level- Saiko Sho. With your support and encouragement, the students are able to cultivate their character and support the community through dance. Thank you very much.

 **What: Cultural Fusion**

 **When: Friday, November 22, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

 **Where: Manoa Grand Ballroom**

**2454 S Beretania St 5th Flr, Honolulu, HI 96826**

 **Cost: Pre-sale - $70 per person**

 **For tickets call (808) 754-8828 or email senjukaihawaii@gmail.com**

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