



**HALEKULANI OKINAWA ANNOUNCES EXCLUSIVE GASTRONOMIC EXPERIENCE
AT UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE**

Okinawa's Only Luxury Five-Star Resort Partners with Three-Michelin-Star Restaurant

Okinawa, Japan – Nov. 16, 2023 - [Halekulani Okinawa](#), the acclaimed luxury resort in Okinawa Prefecture, announces a partnership with **DINING OUT**, one of the most influential culinary events in Japan, to host an exclusive gastronomic journey on the main island of Okinawa on Feb. 10, 11 and 12, 2024. The exquisite dining experience will take place in a UNESCO World Heritage Site in collaboration with a world-renowned chef.

“We are immensely honored to partner with DINING OUT and introduce Okinawa’s unique culinary offerings and magnificent culture to our discerning guests,” says Jun Yoshie, General Manager of Halekulani Okinawa. “Our mission is to integrate the local culinary and cultural heritage into every aspect of the guest experience.”

DINING OUT is known for providing iconic gastronomic gatherings and outdoor pop-up restaurants in unforgettable locations. Every event is crafted to be distinct in its location and invites world-renowned chefs to prepare meals using local ingredients showcasing the historical background and culture of the region.

Halekulani Okinawa’s event with DINING OUT RYUKYU-SHURI will take place at Shuri Castle in Naha, the capital of Okinawa—a UNESCO World Heritage Site that was once the center of the Ryukyu Kingdom.

Mr. Tomoya Kawada, from Sazenka, in Tokyo, is the featured chef of DINING OUT RYUKYU-SHURI. His restaurant has been ranked No. 12 on Asia’s 50 Best Restaurants 2023 list and is the only Chinese restaurant with three Michelin stars outside the Chinese speaking world (as of November 2023).

Chef Kawada will create an unparalleled dining experience, inspired by traditional rituals and royal cuisine offered by the King of the Ryukyu Kingdom for “Sapposhi,” the Chinese envoys sent by the emperor at the coronation ceremony for the king. Guests will also experience a historical reenactment of the Ryukyu Kingdom. This will be complemented by Chef Kawada’s culinary expertise and the art of refined hospitality, which historically played an important role in strengthening a diplomatic tie with China at the Zuisenmon Gate of Shuri Castle where there are “the Seven Investiture Tablets of Sapposhi,” the seven stone monuments of poems and quotes praising the purity of “Ryuhi” spring water near the gate.

DINING OUT RYUKYU-SHURI packages are available exclusively to guests of Halekulani Okinawa and include a one-night stay on the same night as the guest’s DINING OUT experience. Rates are as follows:

Premier Ocean Front (164 square feet)*

Single Occupancy: \$3,280

Double Occupancy: \$5,603

Coral Suite (335 square feet)*

Single Occupancy: \$3,772

Double Occupancy: \$6,095

*DINING OUT RYUKYU-SHURI packages are inclusive of transportation to and from the dinner venue and a breakfast.

Tickets are also available to guests staying at Halekulani Okinawa for \$2,776 per adult, inclusive of transportation to and from the venue.

*Prices vary depending on current exchange rates.

For more information and booking details, visit
www.okinawa.halekulani.com/en/escape/dining_out.

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About Halekulani Okinawa

Halekulani Okinawa, the second hotel from the leading Hawaiian resort of the same name and first outside Hawaii, is a luxury beach resort located in Onna Village on the main island of Okinawa. Featuring a variety of accommodations built to emphasize the geographic features of its surroundings, Halekulani Okinawa sits on 32 acres of lush land within the Okinawa Kaigan Quasi-National Park and faces approximately one mile of coastline. Halekulani Okinawa is home to a diverse array of facilities including eight restaurants and a bar. In addition, the property features the prestigious SpaHalekulani, a fitness center, a luxury boutique, over 2,550 ft² of meeting and convention space and five swimming pools, one of which is adorned with nearly 1.5 million mosaic tiles in the shape of Halekulani's signature Cattleya orchid. Halekulani Okinawa is the third property in Japan to join *The Leading Hotels of the World*, an exclusive collection of the world's most extraordinary luxury establishments. For further information, please visit www.okinawa.halekulani.com.