



The CTAHR Tea Project and LIFE program presents a special event

## Tea 101: Production & Processing Basics

*\*Attendance is limited due to facility and event constraints to first-come, first served. RSVP to Didi or Perci at 887-6183 or [mddiaz@hawaii.edu](mailto:mddiaz@hawaii.edu) by 8/7/13\**

**Thursday, August 8, 2013**

**8:30 am - 3:30 pm**

**UHM-CTAHR Mealani Research Station**

64-289 Mamalahoa Hwy, Waimea

Hosts: Randy Hamasaki & Stuart T. Nakamoto

Crop diversification is one strategy for managing risk and tea has potential as a new crop for Hawaii. Participants will undergo basic training in tea production and processing. They will also learn about the tea research being conducted at the UHM-College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resource (CTAHR) Mealani Research Station in Waimea.

Some of the topics include:

- Introduction and market feasibility of Hawaii grown tea
- The basic types of tea (includes tasting)
- Tea varieties at the station and propagation
- Crop fertility management
- Pest management
- Pruning and harvesting tea
- Hand processing of tea
- Tea processing equipment
- Evaluation of processed tea

*Come prepared for both full sun (sunscreen and other protection) as well as showers and chilly weather. Please call 887-6183 or email [mddiaz@hawaii.edu](mailto:mddiaz@hawaii.edu) to reserve your spot and to receive last minute updates.*

The Mealani Research Station is located at 64-289 Mamalahoa Highway (H19), just Hilo-side of the 53-mile marker. There is a blue "Mealani Research Station" sign at the entrance of the driveway. The phone number is 887-6185.

From the Hilo direction: Going toward Waimea, Mealani Station is about 0.8 mile beyond the 52 mile marker. Turn **left** into the driveway immediately **before** the blue sign.

From the Kona direction: Drive past **Waimea town** toward Hilo. Drive past **the Hawaiian Homes Hall** and **Mana Road**. Prepare to turn **right** shortly after passing the **53 mile mile marker**. Go up the driveway.

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### TEAM LIFE

TEAM LIFE consists of Cooperative Extension Service agents and specialists with an established network of government and industry partners. LIFE is a grant funded collaborative project between the UH-CTAHR, UH-CTAHR Risk Management Hawaii Program, and USDA Risk Management Agency. The goal of the LIFE program is to: 1) increase the viability and sustainability of commercial farms in Hawaii, 2) integrate more farmers into mainstream agriculture, and 3) help drive Hawaii's diversified industry forward.

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