

## **World Interfaith Harmony Week ~ Interfaith 'Ohana of Hawai'i**

### ***“ANCIENT SACRED TRADITIONS: Healing Wisdom for Modern Times”***

## **Event Report**

The Interfaith `Ohana of Hawai`i celebrated World Interfaith Harmony Week with a webinar on February 5, 2025. The event, entitled ***“Ancient Sacred Traditions: Healing Wisdom for Modern Times”*** featured respected experts from three different Indigenous traditions: Dr. Manulani Aluli Meyer from Hawai'i, Christopher Peters from California, and Dr. Anne Poelina from Australia. The panel discussion was co-moderated by Audrey Kitagawa, President/Founder of the International Academy for Multicultural Cooperation (IAMC) and Ben Bowler, Executive Director of Unity Earth.

The panelists spoke of the healing wisdom of their ancient Indigenous traditions and offered their perspectives on how ancient wisdom can help address the many challenges of modern time. Despite vast geographical and cultural differences, the speakers shared strikingly similar worldviews. Indigenous Peoples around the world survived millennia of environmental and social upheavals including colonialism and cultural genocide because there is an innate flexibility in their philosophies and strategies. Their deep understanding and respectful connection to the Earth is rooted in thousands of years of observation, adaptation, and coexistence with the ever-changing natural world.

The webinar was broadcast on Zoom and livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook. It was viewed live by 1,867 participants.

**LINK TO VIDEO OF EVENT: [Ancient Sacred Traditions](#)**

**LINK TO PHOTOS OF EVENT: [Ancient Sacred Traditions Photos](#)**



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INTERFAITH 'OHANA OF HAWAI'I

# ANCIENT SACRED TRADITIONS

*Healing Wisdom for Modern Times*




February 5, 2025 (USA)

1 PM HST • 3 PM PST • 6 PM EST

February 6, 2025 (Australia)

7 AM AWST • 10 AM AEDT

Will be livestreamed on 

Join here: <http://zoom.us/j/6060001111>



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**DR. ANNE POELINA**  
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