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Green is Color of Next 'Pearl Harbor Colors' Ceremony

*Theme of this month's honors ceremony at Pearl Harbor Visitor Center:
"Earth Day: A Sustainable Future Begins With You"*

PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM – The next Pearl Harbor Colors, a monthly military ceremony open to the public, will be held Thursday, Apr. 23 at 7:30 a.m. at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. The theme for this month's event is, "Earth Day: A Sustainable Future Begins with You."

Sponsored by Navy Region Hawaii in coordination with the National Park Service, the ceremony will feature the U.S. Pacific Fleet Band, the Joint Base Honors and Ceremonies Guard, and an official observance of "morning colors." LCDR Rob Franklin, Operations Officer for Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific and Paul DePrey, Superintendent of the WWII Valor in the Pacific National Monument, will give remarks.

This month's ceremony will focus on the Navy's efforts to contribute to a more sustainable environment. Additionally, the ceremony will honor the National Park Service and celebrate National Park Week, a presidentially proclaimed celebration of our national heritage, as they kick off their 2016 Centennial campaign.

Video footage of previous Pearl Harbor Colors events available at:

<http://www.dvidshub.net/video/391914/pearl-harbor-colors#.VOFQPMJ0yUk>

For photos, visit:

<http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrh/about/history/-pearl-harbor-colors--ceremony.html>

For more information about U.S. Navy energy, environment and climate conservations efforts, visit:

<http://greenfleet.dodlive.mil/home>

For more information about the National Park Service Centennial celebration, visit:

<http://www.nationalparks.org/connect/npf-news/national-park-service-announces-public-engagement-campaign-centerpiece-2016>

Pearl Harbor Colors is an opportunity for local residents and international visitors to witness a U.S. military ceremony and meet veterans, service members and their families. Attendees can learn about various aspects of military history.

The setting for Pearl Harbor Colors is the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center at the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument, which is home to Hawaii's most visited historic site – the USS Arizona Memorial – expected to draw 1.5 million visitors in 2015.

“Through Pearl Harbor Colors we honor our history and heritage, build relationships with our partners and the surrounding community, and recognize the dedication and hard work of our service members and their families in a committed and sustainable way,” according to Rear Adm. Rick Williams, Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific.

Event: Pearl Harbor Colors

Date/Time: Thursday, April 23, 2015; 7:30 A.M.

Location: Pearl Harbor Visitor Center

Performance By: Pacific Fleet Band; Joint Base Honors and Ceremony Guard

#PearlHarborColors Campaign:

Use hashtag #PearlHarborColors to share your thoughts and experiences of the ceremony.

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