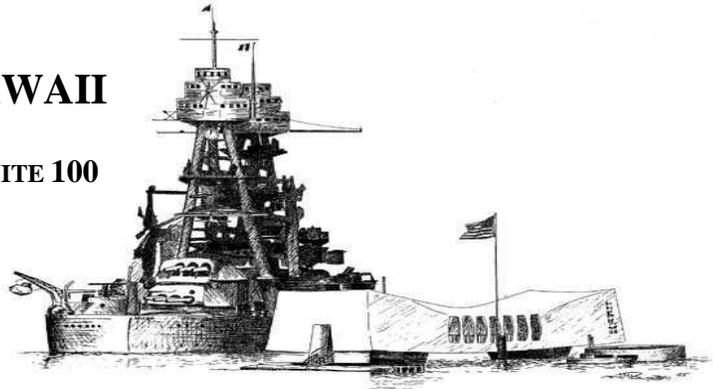


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### **USS O'Kane to host tour for international marine debris researchers**

**(Pearl Harbor-Hickam, HI)** –USS O'Kane will host a group of international marine debris researchers, natural resource managers, industry reps and the non-governmental community on a tour Wednesday, Mar. 23 at 9 a.m. The tour is part of the field trips being offered to attendees of the 5th International Marine Debris Conference, sponsored by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the United Nations Environment Program.

USS O'Kane is commanded by Cmdr. Derek Trinqué with a crew of more than 300 officers and enlisted personnel.

Guided-missile destroyers are multi-mission anti-air warfare, anti-submarine warfare and anti-surface warfare surface combatants. They operate independently for support of carrier and expeditionary strike groups and surface strike groups.

For more information visit the ship's website:

<http://www.public.navy.mil/surfor/ddg77/Pages/default.aspx>

*Media interested in covering the ship's tour are requested to contact Chief Bauer, Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office at 473-3788 or 590-8363. Media will be met at the Pass and ID parking lot adjacent to the Nimitz Gate at 8:30 on March 23, 2011, to be escorted onto the pier*

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