CELEBRATE
'A'ALA PARK
Connecting everyone to the outdoors

Who We Are

Trust for Public Land creates parks and protects land for people.

We launched the Parks for People Program in late 2020 by listening to community voices for a shared vision of 'A'ala Park.

Our goal: To make 'A'ala Park a safe and welcoming place for all.
Did You Know?

- ‘A’ala means fragrant/sweet smelling.
- The park is located in Ahupua’a of Honolulu and the ‘Ili (smaller land division) of ‘A’ala.
- Prior to Western contact, the area included an ancient Hawaiian fishpond and fields of kalo lo’i (taro wetlands).
- The park hosted many kinds of events – baseball leagues, cultural festivals, and political gatherings.
- The O‘ahu Railway & Land train station was located across the street from the park. People took the train from the plantation areas to gather in and around the park.
- In the 1900s, people of many different cultures lived and worked around the park – Japanese, Okinawan, Chinese, Hawaiian, and Filipino.
  - Today, the cultural diversity of the people who live and work around the park has increased - with Southeast Asians, Micronesians, and many others living and working around the park.
- Today, the park is located at a very busy intersection of Dillingham Boulevard and Beretania, King, and Liliha Streets.

Mahalo nui loa iā’oe to the Farrington High School students and their instructor, Ms. Christine Ho, for creating and designing the coloring pages for this book! The students’ designs reflect the diverse and multi-cultural history of the park, from the past to present.
A DAY AT THE PARK

Draw what you like to do at ‘A’ala Park or any park. Once completed, please tear off this page and submit to your teacher. Teachers, please scan or take photos and email copies to Sultan White at sultan.white@tpl.org.

I like parks because...

I would go to ‘A’ala Park if...
Activity: Please circle the area you like to be in when you are at the park then turn in to your teacher with the student activity page.