



Sarus cranes, Japanese Peace Pagoda, and Venerable Metteyya all in Lumbini, Nepal

“Sanctuary” by Lillian Ball - Film screening, 53 minutes

Presented with Kauai Soto Zen Temple in honor of United Nations Peace Week

Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Princeville Hanalei Community Center, 4334 Emmalani Dr, Princeville, HI 96722

“Sanctuary” is about the Lumbini Crane Sanctuary which exists within the 3 square mile Sacred Garden area where Buddha (Siddhartha Gautama) was born in Nepal. It’s about a time and place in our contemporary world that harkens back to his birth 2600 years. However overdevelopment has been a severe threat to the Sanctuary, endangering the habitat of the threatened Sarus crane and the peaceful preservation of this sacred land. The film was made over 5 different trips to Nepal and shot primarily on an iPhone.

Join us to see the film and to learn about the International Day of Peace and crane conservation. Q & A with the filmmaker will follow the screening.

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September 21st, U.N. Peace Day events in Hanapepe include:

- 3pm - Peace Walk from Storybook Theater to Soto Zen Temple, 1-3500 Kaumuali Hwy
- 3-7 pm - Activities and displays on Soto Zen grounds include: Storytelling, poetry, food, music, song & dance. “Sanctuary” video will be shown on a loop in the temple.
- 6 pm - Closing ceremony with burning thousands of origami cranes at Kannon Peace Statue.