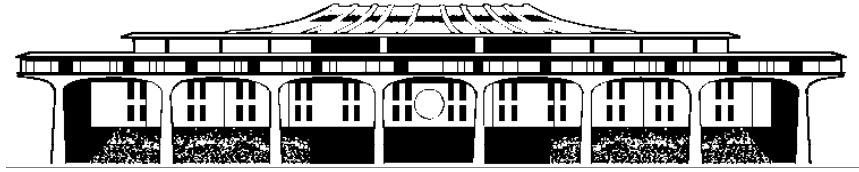


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## ***Freedom of Information WORKSHOP FOR THE MEDIA***

***The Office of Information Practices and experts will brief journalists on Hawaii's open records and meetings laws, with special focus on issues and concerns of interest to the media.***

***DATE: January 25, 2005 ~ Tuesday***

***TIME: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM***

***PLACE: State Capitol, Conf. Room 224***

***RSVP: to [hc-mc@verizon.net](mailto:hc-mc@verizon.net)***

***Bring brownbag lunch; sandwich ordering service provided***

The media is important in our democracy because it informs citizens on the affairs of government. Without this information, the public would not be able to hold their government accountable. This workshop will assist journalists in understanding the laws and rules that govern the rights of the media and citizens to access government information and meetings.

OIP Director Les Kondo will conduct the workshop, along with Professor Beverly Keever. They will review the sunshine law, open records law, and procedures for gaining access to state and county meetings and documents, including OIP's Records Report System located on the web at [www.hawaii.gov/oip](http://www.hawaii.gov/oip).

To accommodate the busy schedules of journalists and others in the media, we'll work through lunch, so either bring your own lunch or request a Subway menu when submitting your RSVP (lunch will cost, but the workshop is free).

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***For more information, call 748-0880***

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