

# OUTRIGGER CANOES

A Guide for Students at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

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## WEB RESOURCES:

### General Information

#### Outrigger Canoeing FAQ

<http://www.kanuculture.com/faq.html>

#### General Guide to Outrigger Canoes

<http://www.pacificpaddler.com>

#### Yahoo Webpages

[http://dir.yahoo.com/Recreation/Outdoors/  
Paddling/Canoeing\\_and\\_Kayaking/  
Outrigger\\_Canoeing](http://dir.yahoo.com/Recreation/Outdoors/Paddling/Canoeing_and_Kayaking/Outrigger_Canoeing)



## MAGAZINE ARTICLES:

Braddock, Shane. "Paddling on the Hudson River." *Pacific Paddler*, June 2001, 35. GV 781.P33

Rampell, Ed. "Cross-cultural Canoeing." *Honolulu Weekly*, 15 October 1997, 13.

Simpson, Flora Lee. "Paddle Your Own Canoe." *Paradise of the Pacific*, 56, no. 11 (November 1944): 8-9, 28.

A wide variety of other articles can be found in *Pacific Paddler*, which began publication in 1996.

These magazines are available in the Hawaii/Pacific Collections, located on the fifth floor of Hamilton Library. For other articles, search the Hawaii-Pacific Index, located in the "online resources" area of the library's web site.

### Outrigger Canoe Clubs around Hawai'i

The Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association  
<http://www.ohcra.net>

The Hawai'i Island Paddlesports Association [Big Island]  
<http://www.kaikahoe.org>

### Outrigger Canoe Clubs around the World

The Northern California Outrigger Canoe Association  
<http://www.ncoca.com>

Canadian Outrigger Racing Association  
<http://www.nwcanoe.com/cora/main.htm>

Australian Outrigger Canoe Racing Association  
<http://www.aocra.com.au/>

An extensive list of clubs can be found at:  
<http://holoholo.org/canunews/clubs.html>

## WHAT IS AN OUTRIGGER?

An outrigger acts as a counter-poise or balance, rigged out from the side of the canoe. A number of spars, usually 2 but up to as many as 10 depending on the canoe's origin and purpose, are lashed across and to the canoe gunwales, extending outwards and ending with the attachment of a flotation device.

(adapted from KANUculture web pages)



## CANOE NAVIGATION

If you are interested in learning about long-range navigation techniques, like those used on *Hoku'lea*, watch the "Explorers" presentation at the Bishop Museum's planetarium. For more information on the Bishop Museum, visit their website at: <http://www.bishopmuseum.org>. Note that the *Hoku'lea* is not an outrigger canoe, it is a double-hulled canoe.

## VIDEOS:

*One, paddle, two paddle: Techniques of Hawaiian Outrigger Canoe Paddling.* Honolulu: Sanoe Productions, 1999.

Video #17034 at Wong Audiovisual Center

*Outrigger canoeing in Hawaii.* Camden, ME: PBS Home Video and Environmental Recreation Group, 1999.

Video #17281 at Wong Audiovisual Center

*The Bajao.* New York: Phoenix/BFA Films & Video, 1983.

*Describes the life-style of Bajao nomads of Southeast Asia, who spend most of their lives on outrigger canoes traveling from the coral reefs and uninhabited islands between the Philippines, Indonesia, and Malaysia.*

Video #12333 at Wong Audiovisual Center

To search for videos, try a keyword search for "outrigger and videorecording". UH faculty, students and staff can take out videos, CDs, and DVDs from the Wong Audiovisual Center, located on the third floor of Sinclair Library. Their website is: <http://www.sinclair.hawaii.edu/HTML/wong/index.html>.

## BOOKS:

### General Discussions

Holmes, Tommy. *The Hawaiian Canoe.* Honolulu: Editions Limited, 1993.

Call Number: GN 440.2.H64 1993 (located in Hawaii/Pacific Collection)

*The definitive general work on the Hawaiian outrigger canoe*

West, Steve. *Outrigger Canoeing. 2 Vols.* Australia: Batini Books, 1995.

Call Number: GV 781.K36 (located in Hawaii/Pacific Collection)

*A variety of articles on canoes and canoe paddling*

### Competitive canoe paddlers and paddling coaches

Apo, Peter, and Bob Nagatani. *No Ka Heihei Wa'a: Some Thoughts and Ideas about Hawaiian Outrigger Canoe Racing.* Honolulu: Hui Wa'a & Surfing Association, Inc., 1981.

Call Number: GV 786.A66 (located in Hawaii/Pacific Collection)

Summerlin, Annette Kau. *Canoe Racing and Paddling in Hawaii.* Honolulu:

A.K. Summerlin, 1994.

Call Number: GV 776.H3 S86 1994 (located in Hawaii/Pacific Collection)

*To search for other books and articles on outrigger canoes, try a keyword search with "outrigger" and other words to narrow your search. For a more precise search, try using "outrigger" in the descriptor field. Normally, outrigger does not have a dash.*

Library of Congress Subject Headings: (and call number ranges)

**CANOES AND CANOEING** (GV781 - GV785)

**OUTRIGGER CANOES** (GN440.2)

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