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Hawai'i Gas Presents Localicious® Art & Recipe Contest: My Localicious® Lunch

APRIL 1, 2024 • HONOLULU, HI – The Hawai'i Agricultural Foundation (HAF) is excited to announce the launch of the Hawai'i Gas Presents Localicious® Art & Recipe Contest as part of both organizations ongoing commitment to supporting local agriculture and fostering a healthier future for Hawai'i's youth.

The Localicious® Art & Recipe Contest invites students across the Hawaiian Islands to unleash their creativity and culinary skills in two distinct categories: the Art Contest for students in grades K-6, and the Recipe Contest for students in grades 7–12. Prizes will be awarded to the top four winners in each contest. The submission period for entries will run from April 1 to April 30, 2024. For contest details and to enter, go to www.bit.ly/LocaliciousContest.

Art Contest:

- **Eligibility:** Open to students in grades K-6 throughout Hawai'i.
- **Submission:** Create an original poster reflecting the theme, "My Localicious® Lunch: Design Your Ultimate School Lunch Plate," that features locally grown, caught, or raised product(s).

Recipe Contest Details:

- **Eligibility:** Open to students in grades 7–12 across Hawai'i.
- **Submission:** Submit a healthy original recipe suitable for inclusion on a school lunch menu, incorporating locally grown, caught, or raised product(s). Additional consideration will be given to dishes aligned with USDA nutrition standards.

Art Contest winners and the top four Recipe Contest finalists will be announced in May 2024. Recipe finalists will then compete in a culinary cook-off scheduled for summer 2024 to determine the winners.

"We're thrilled to again partner with Hawai'i Gas on the Localicious® Hawai'i Art & Recipe Contest that helps engage our youth in celebrating local agriculture while promoting healthy eating habits," said Denise Yamaguchi, HAF founder and executive director.

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“Hawai'i Gas has been a longstanding supporter of this contest, and we're honored to help fuel the culinary creativity of Hawai'i's young chefs and artists,” said Alicia Moy, Hawai'i Gas President and CEO. “The Localicious® Art & Recipe Contest aligns with our company's commitment to education and local community engagement initiatives as we work toward a more sustainable future.”

For more information on how to participate in the Localicious® Art & Recipe Contest, please visit www.bit.ly/LocaliciousContest or contact info@hawaiiagfoundation.org.

About Hawai'i Gas:

Hawai'i Gas is the only government-franchised, full-service gas company manufacturing and distributing gas in Hawai'i. Hawai'i Gas manufactures synthetic natural gas (SNG), blended with renewable natural gas (RNG) and hydrogen for its utility customers on O'ahu, and distributes liquefied petroleum gas, or LPG (propane), to utility, tank and bottled gas customers throughout the state's six primary islands. It produces RNG at an award-winning facility at the Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant on O'ahu. For more information, visit hawaiiigas.com.

About Hawai'i Agricultural Foundation

The Hawai'i Agricultural Foundation is a non-profit charitable organization created to promote agriculture and farming. Established in 2007, HAF's mission is to support and sustain Hawai'i's agricultural industry by addressing critical needs and services of farmers and the agricultural industry in Hawai'i, and by better connecting the farmers with the community and vice-versa.

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