

# MEDIA ALERT

National American Indian Housing Council  
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## **Hawaii Gov. to Address National Indian Housing Convention; Other Speakers to include HUD Official, Native Author and Native Actress --Press Availability Will Follow Speeches**

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**What:** Key Speakers at the National American Indian Housing Council Annual Convention, Plenary Session. Press Availability immediately following speeches.

**Who:** Speakers will include Hawaii Governor **Linda Lingle**; Assistant Secretary for HUD's Public and Indian Housing, **Orlando Cabrera**; Native American activist and author **Dr. Don Bartlette**; and Native actress **Q'orianka Kilcher** ("The New World").

**When:** The convention starts **May 22** at the **Hilton Hawaiian Village** in **Honolulu, Hawaii**. The Plenary Session (**Coral Ballroom 3**) starts at **9:00 a.m.** on **May 22**. All speeches are in **Coral Ballroom 3**. Scheduled times are:

- 9:25-9:35: Speech by NAIHC Chairman **Chester Carl**
- 10:00-10:15: Speech by **Orlando Cabrera**, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing
- 10:15-10:30: Speech by **Gov. Linda Lingle**, Hawaii
- 10:30-10:45: **PRESS AVAILABILITY** with **Gov. Lingle** and **Chester Carl** in the **South Pacific Room**. (**Assistant Secretary Cabrera**, **Dr. Bartlette**, and **Q'orianka Kilcher** are also invited to attend the press availability.)

**Why:** NAIHC represents American Indians and Alaskan Natives in reaching their self-determined goals of providing quality affordable housing for their communities. This Convention draws attendees from tribes across the nation and various government agencies and is the largest annual gathering of Indian housing professionals. In addition to speakers at the Convention, NAIHC is offering new trainings including a "**Workshop on Wheels**" that will tour **Native Hawaiian Home Lands affordable housing developments; Partnerships to Increase Tribal Homeownership; Predatory Lending; and Meth Prevention and Training.**

### **MEDIA REGISTRATION**

Media are welcome to attend the Convention. For media registration, contact: **Kim Hayes, (202) 454-0931; Cell: (202) 536-7983 or e-mail: [khayes@naihc.net](mailto:khayes@naihc.net).** (For Television Media: please inform of technical requirements in advance.) A full agenda is available at [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net).

**General Registration & Hotel Information:** For general (non-media) registration, go to NAIHC's website: [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net) and click on the Convention. The Hilton has sold out, but you can make overflow reservations at the Renaissance Ilikai Waikiki Hotel (808) 949-3811 or (800) 245-4524. The rate is \$169 for single/double.

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