

HAWAII ISLAND PALM SOCIETY

Hawaii Island Palm Society is a chapter of the International Palm Society (IPS) and is composed of palm fanciers. They enjoy expanding their knowledge of palms and sharing their experience in growing palms locally.

Membership benefits include:

Newsletters

Annual Barbeque

Speakers and Slide Shows

Rare and Not-So-Rare Palm Auctions

Palm and Seed Exchanges

Private Garden Tours

Educational Meetings

Lending Library of Palm Reference Books

Many Opportunities to Meet Palm Experts and Enthusiasts

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

I/We wish to join for: (Rates are good for **one or two adults** per household)

☐ **1 year ... \$8.00**
☐ **3 years .. \$24.00** (includes a free HIPS bumper sticker)
☐ **Lifetime \$100.00**

Name(s) _____

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Phone(s): Home _____ Bus _____

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Just mail this form along with your check to:

Hawaii Island Palm Society

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Hips originated in 1974 when a small group of palm lovers on Hawaii Island joined together to share their interest in growing palms in Hawaii. They recognized that Hawaii's wide variety of climates offered the opportunity to cultivate most of the world's estimated 2,700 species of palms. The legacy of these founding members can be found in the mature specimens that exist in gardens throughout the island.

Interest has continued and membership has grown to nearly 150, representing the State of Hawaii, mainland USA and several foreign countries. HIPS has become an association of people as varied as the palms that they are growing. Our members include: the backyard grower, those who want to learn how to identify palms beyond the coconut, nurserymen, academics and those of us who travel the world viewing or collecting rare palms to satisfy our palm addiction.

Projects, such as the Panaewa Rainforest Zoo palm plantings, were developed to share the group's enthusiasm for palms. With the combined efforts of palm society members, Hawaii County, the zoo staff and the Hilo business community, there are now over 100 species of palms available for the public to view at the zoo.

Sharing information on every topic that relates to palms, including the frustration of failures along with the thrill of success in growing a healthy palm, HIPS has developed into an interesting and interested group of palm fanciers and experts who love to have fun with their "fronds."

We invite you to join us and enjoy the many benefits of HIPS membership.