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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property	
historic name Hawaiian Canoe Malia	
other names/site number N/A	
2. Location	
street & number Southeast corner of Kapiolani Blvd and McCully St	not for publication
city or town Honolulu	□ vicinity
state Hawaii code HI county Honolulu cod	de <u>003</u> zip code <u>96826</u>
3. State/Federal Agency Certification	
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certifully request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties. Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. Market Market	es in the National Register of b. In my opinion, the property dered significant
Comments.) Signature of certifying official/Title Date	
State or Federal agency and bureau	
4. National Park Service Certification I hereby certify that the property is: entered in the National Register. See continuation sheet. determined eligible for the National Register See continuation sheet. determined not eligible for the National Register. removed from the National Register. other, (explain:)	Date of Action 12-17-9

Hawaiian Canoe Malia Name of Property	_	Honolulu, HI County and State			
5. Classification Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) (Check only one box)		Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)			
☑ private	☐ building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing		
☐ public-local☐ public-State	☐ district ☐ site	0	0	buildings	
☐ public-State	SiteStructure□ object	0	0	sites	
·		1	0	structure:	
		0	0	objects	
		1	0	Total	
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A		Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register			
		0			
6. Function or Use					
Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)		Current Functions (Enter categories from			
RECREATION AND CULTURE		RECREATION AND CULTURE			
TRANSPORTATION/water-related		TRANSPORTATION/water-related			
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Materials

walls ____

roof_

foundation ___

(Enter categories from instructions)

other __WOOD / log

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Other: Hawaiian dugout canoe

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Name of Property

County and State

8. Statement of Significance	
Applicable National Register Criteria	Areas of Significance
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property	(Enter categories from instructions)
for National Register listing.)	ENTERTA INMENT/RECREAT I ONAL
🛛 A Property is associated with events that have made	ETHNIC HERITAGE/Pacific Islander
a significant contribution to the broad patterns of	ARCHITECTURE
our history.	711(0)71772070712
☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons	
significant in our past.	
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☑ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics	
of a type, period, or method of construction or	
represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and	
distinguishable entity whose components lack	Period of Significance
individual distinction.	1933
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield,	
information important in prehistory or history.	
Criteria Considerations	Significant Dates
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)	1933
Property is:	
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\square A owned by a religious institution or used for	
religious purposes.	0' ''
☐ B removed from its original location.	Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
D Temoved from its original location.	_N/A
☐ C a birthplace or grave.	
- ·	Cultural Affiliation
D a cemetery.	N/A
☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	
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☐ F a commemorative property.	
☐ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance	Architect/Builder
within the past 50 years.	Yamasaki, James Takeo
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Narrative Statement of Significance	
(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheet	S.)
9. Major Bibliographical References	
Bibilography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on	one or more continuation sheets.)
Previous documentation on file (NPS):	Primary location of additional data:
☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36	☐ State Historic Preservation Office
CFR 67) has been requested	☐ Other State agency
previously listed in the National Register	☐ Federal agency
previously determined eligible by the National	☐ Local government☐ University
Register designated a National Historic Landmark	☐ Other
☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey	Name of repository:
#	
☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering	,
Record #	

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Name of Property	County and State		
10. Geographical Data			
Acreage of Property N/A			
UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)			
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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)			
Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)			
11. Form Prepared By			
name/title Dorian Travers			
organization	dateApr	il 28, 1	993
street & number 1540 Magazine Street, B-5	telephone (8	08) 531-	2989
city or town Honolulu	state HI	zip code	96822
Additional Documentation Submit the following items with the completed form:			
Continuation Sheets			
Maps			
A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the pro	operty's location.		
A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having	large acreage or num	nerous resour	ces.
Photographs			
Representative black and white photographs of the pro-	perty.		
Additional items			

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner
(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Waikiki Surf Club, c/o Alice Froiseth President

street & number 791 Sunset Avenue telephone

city or town Honolulu state HI zip code 96816

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Projects (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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Hawaiian Canoe Malia Honolulu, HI

Description

The *Malia* is a 6-man Hawaiian racing canoe hewn from a single koa (*Acacia koa*) log in 1933. When launched she measured 39'-2", but over time was modified twice. In 1950 she was lengthened to 39'-6", and in 1973 she was lengthened to her present racing measure of 40'-1" (her actual length between perpendiculars is 39'-3½"). Typical of Hawaiian racing canoes she is very sleek, has parallel gunwales, and has her greatest depth abaft the mid-section below the fourth seat—the normal being slightly farther forward—making her resistant to turning. Her hull averages 5/8" thick, her extreme width is 1'-8½", and her maximum draft is 10". Standard for a koa dugout canoe are the numerous patches in her hull allowing for defects in the original log and repairs during her career.

The *Malia* is powered by paddles, and steered with a paddle. When rigged for racing she has two 8' hau wood (*Hibiscus tiliaceus*) 'iako (outrigger booms) lashed with soft-laid cotton line perpendicular to her hull. The 13'-6" ama or outrigger float is lashed to the outboard ends of the 'iako—parallel to the hull—and is made from wiliwili wood (*Erythrina sandwicensis*), a native Hawaiian leguminous tree.

She is in excellent, working condition and is well preserved—having been stored indoors in form fitting cradles.

Statement of Significance

The Hawaiian canoe *Malia* is historically significant for her considerable contribution to the Polynesian sport of open ocean canoe racing. She is also distinctive as an excellent representative of a Hawaiian dugout racing canoe, even to the point of being "considered by many today to represent the prototype of the modern Hawaiian racing canoe." (Holmes, 124)

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Statement of Significance (continued)

Historical background and significance

The *Malia* was hewn from a koa log (a species of *Acacia* found only in Hawai'i) in Kailua-Kona on the island of Hawai'i in 1933. Her builder, James Takeo Yamasaki, designed her expressly for racing, one of the favorite sports of Hawaiian Royalty, dating back to King Kamehameha V (1863-1872).

She was purchased in 1936 by Dad Center of the Outrigger Canoe Club on O'ahu, but by 1948 became the property of the newly formed Waikiki Surf Club and has remained in their care ever since.

Between 1952 and 1954 the *Malia* won fourteen straight Senior Men's Races, and she has proven a dominant factor in canoe racing since. Her greatest accomplishments were performed in the very popular, highly prestigious, and very difficult 40 mile race from Moloka'i to O'ahu across the Moloka'i channel.

From the beginning of the annual Moloka'i-O'ahu race in 1952, the Waikiki Surf Club, paddling the *Malia*, won first place a total of twelve times, six of which were consecutive, ('53, '55, '58-'63, '66, '69, '72 and '73). To this day, no other single canoe has ever won as often or for such a long continuous stretch. In the 1960 race, *Malia* set a record time of 5 hours 29 minutes that was not surpassed by either a koa or a fiberglass canoe until 1981 when a California club, in the koa canoe *Malama*, beat *Malia*'s record by a scant 4 minutes.

The Malia's contribution to canoe racing goes well beyond her own accomplishments. In 1959, the first fiberglass mold was made—actually pirated—of the Malia. By 1981, Malia mold canoes had achieved a remarkably wide distribution, including: Samoa, Australia, Japan, Great Britain, Canada, Illinois, Louisiana, Florida, New York, Hawai'i and California. Today, the majority of fiberglass canoes in both Hawai'i and California are progeny of the Malia mold.

Bibliography

Holmes, Tommy. The Hawaiian Canoe. Honolulu, Hawai'i: Editions Limited, 1981 & 1993.

The majority of the information was contributed orally by Wally Froiseth, a celebrated canoe paddler and charter member of the Waikiki Surf Club.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The canoe is located in a warehouse at the Southeast corner of Kapiolani Blvd. and McCully St. for conservation and security reasons.

Boundary Justification

Hawaiian canoes are traditionally removed from water and kept in sheds.

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UTM References

International 1909 Spheroid

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