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Mauna Lani Bay welcomes new Hotel Manager

KOHALA COAST, HAWAII: The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows, Hawaii Island's premiere eco-friendly, culturally rich, active lifestyle resort has named Ryan Fitzgerald as its Hotel Manager.

Leading the day-to-day operations and management of the hotel, Fitzgerald returns to Mauna Lani Bay most recently from the Kahala Hotel & Resort on Oahu where he was Director of Rooms overseeing the front office, spa, retail and reservation departments. Prior to this, Fitzgerald served in the same capacity at Mauna Lani Bay after he relocated to Hawaii from the Beverly Wilshire Hotel in Beverly Hills (A Four Seasons Hotel) where he last held the position of Guest Services Manager.

"We are excited to welcome Ryan back into the Mauna Lani Bay ohana," says Robert Grant, Acting General Manager of The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows. "Ryan's positive energy and passion for our hotel rubs off on everyone he comes into contact with. His strong leadership and operational experience, matched with his impeccable attention-to-detail and focus on delivering outstanding customer service, will ensure Mauna Lani Bay continues prominently place in the 'world's best' lists under his direction."

Fitzgerald studied Business Management at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Fitzgerald resides in Waikoloa with his wife Michi and his two daughters, Rylie and Cailyn. He enjoys surfing, golf, and running.

For more information about The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows visit

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The Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows is recognized as one of *Travel + Leisure's* "World's Best Hotels" for 2011 and is also on the *Conde Nast Traveler* 2011 "Gold List". It is the only independently-operated resort on the Kohala Coast of Hawaii and has maintained its original owners since its opening in 1983. Mauna Lani Bay is also one of the smaller resorts on the coast giving guests an intimate, timeless Hawaiian experience that is personalized and pleasantly unscripted. It is Mauna Lani Bay's cultural and environmental programs that make it truly stand out from others and which has earned it the reputation of one of the "World's Top Earth-Friendly Getaways". Mauna Lani Bay is committed to delivering aloha in everything it does and as such takes a stand against hidden resort fees. It is home to the famous CanoeHouse restaurant, the Hawaiian inspired Mauna Lani Spa and the championship Francis H. I'i Brown Golf Courses. Mauna Lani Bay has formed a partnership with a group of pro triathletes and stand up paddlers who help the hotel spread the message of enjoying a healthy and active lifestyle. The resort is a member of the Preferred Hotel Group recognizing the world's best independent luxury hotels and resorts. For reservations call (800) 367-2323 or visit www.maunalani.com