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## **Cal Maritime's Training Ship GOLDEN BEAR To Arrive In Honolulu**

**VALLEJO, Calif., July 28, 2004** — The Training Ship GOLDEN BEAR — the training vessel of The California Maritime Academy (Cal Maritime), a campus of The California State University — will arrive in Honolulu on **Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m. at Pier 9 at the Aloha Towers**. The vessel will remain at Pier 9 until Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

While in Honolulu, Cal Maritime will host receptions for accepted students, alumni, high school counselors, and friends onboard the GOLDEN BEAR. In addition, tours of the 500-foot vessel — which once served as an oceanographic survey vessel for the United States Navy — will be available for prospective students on July 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 4 p.m. and July 2 beginning at 10 a.m. Currently, approximately five percent of Cal Maritime's student population is from Hawaii.

The ship's visit marks the final stop of Cal Maritime's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Training Cruise that began in Vallejo, Calif. on May 1 and sailed to the Far East before its final destination to Honolulu. For the duration of the cruise, Cal Maritime students have been responsible for running the GOLDEN BEAR from stem to stern — including navigating and driving the ship, repairing and overseeing the engines, and maintaining the vessel.

"While the cadets and visiting students look forward to the exotic port calls, most of the cruise is spent at sea with long days of class, study, and work," said Captain John Keever, Cal Maritime's vice president of marine programs and captain of the Training Ship GOLDEN BEAR. "It's a lot of hard work, but definitely the experience of a lifetime for all who participate."

While the stop in Honolulu marks the end of one cruise, it is also the beginning of Cal Maritime's second training cruise this summer. The second cruise — which will also head to the Far East — will leave Honolulu on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and return to the Cal Maritime campus on August 29<sup>th</sup>. All total, approximately 500 cadets will have taken to the seas this summer aboard the Training Ship GOLDEN BEAR, which will log approximately nautical 25,000 miles during its four months at sea this summer.

This summer's journey aboard the Training Ship GOLDEN BEAR is one of several training cruises offered through Cal Maritime. Prior to graduation, each student is required to participate in at least one training cruise, which helps provide the students with a first-hand perspective of the world and its many diverse political and economic systems, business practices, and social customs. All training cruises are supervised by Cal Maritime faculty, the ship's captain and chief engineer, and a team of experienced mariners.

### **About Cal Maritime**

Cal Maritime, a campus of The California State University, is one of only seven degree-granting maritime academies in the United States, and the only one on the West Coast. Tucked away in San Pablo Bay's Morrow Cove in Vallejo, Calif., Cal Maritime offers students four-year degrees in business administration, facilities engineering technology, global studies and maritime affairs, marine engineering technology, marine transportation, and mechanical engineering. For more information about Cal Maritime, visit [www.csum.edu](http://www.csum.edu).

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***Editor's Note: Media interested in arranging a tour of the ship while it is in Hawaii should contact Chris Walker at 707-853-4440.***