

**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS
HAWAII CHAPTER**

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**LOCAL SAFETY ORGANIZATION AND HIOSH SPONSORS ONE-DAY
OSHA WORKSHOP**

Honolulu – The Hawaii Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE), in partnership with the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) and the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Division (HIOSH), are sponsoring the OSHA Hawaii Workshop 2009 with practical solutions to protect employees from workplace accidents and injuries.

DLIR and HIOSH will also provide outreach education on what their compliance inspectors would review during their scheduled inspections, what you can do to avoid citations and fines, and available resources to assist with meeting the requirements of federal and state laws. Beginning in October 2009, establishments with higher than average industry injury and illness rates were added for inspections. Workers whose industries expose workers to lead will also be targeted for scheduled inspections.

The OSHA Hawaii Workshop 2009 will be held at the Hale Ikena Fort Shafter on Wednesday, May 20, 2009. Interested attendees may visit the chapter's website at www.assehawaii.org or HIOSH's website at <http://hawaii.gov/labor> for registration information.

Topics scheduled for the OSHA Hawaii Workshop 2009 include HIOSH's Most Frequently Cited Citations, OSHA's National Emphasis Program on Lead, Worker Health and Safety in Developing Economics of Asia and many more informative sessions. The keynote speaker will be **Gwen Fujie**, who will present "**Tongue Fu! ® Martial Arts for the Mind and Mouth**".

Founded in 1911, the Des Plaines, IL-based ASSE is the largest and oldest professional safety organization and is committed to protecting people, property, and the environment. Its more than 32,000 occupational safety, health and environmental professional members lead, manage, supervise, research and consult on safety, health and environmental issues in all industries, government, labor, health care and education. For more information please go to www.asse.org. The Hawaii Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers was incorporate in 1951 and currently has 204 chapter members. For additional information on the other chapter activities and events, please visit the website at www.assehawaii.org.

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