Arizona Aloha Festival is proud to recognize our 2010 honoree:

Kehau Chrisman



Kumu Hula (Hula Master) Kehau Chrisman was born and raised in Hawai'i on the island of O'ahu,

Her formal hula training began in 1983, and received *'uniki hula 'ailolo* (graduation) 17 years later in 2000. Kehau's training has remained within the world-renowned Maiki Aiu Lake lineage.

With appropriate approval from her *kumu* (as per hula protocol), she started her *'auana* (modern hula) teaching career in 1997. *Halau Hula Napuaokalei'ilima* was established in 2000, teaching modern hula, ancient hula, and Hawaiian language and culture.

Kehau moved to Cottonwood, Arizona in 2003. She continues to teach and holds classes in Flagstaff and Prescott Valley in addition to her home base of Cottonwood. The halau is active in the community and has their own stretch of AdoptAHighway they regularly patrol.

She helps arrange and host many workshops on Hawaiian culture and is a great supporter of the Northern Arizona University *Hapa* Hawaiian Club student organization.

To find out more about the Kokua Award, previous awardees, and nominations for the future, please visit the Festival website at www.azalohafest.org/Kokua_Award.html