



**United States Deaf
Surfriders Association**



**Hawaii Deaf
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Aloha!

United States Deaf Surfriders Association (USDSA) was established in California, in 2001 with the purpose of uniting deaf surfers with one another to encourage interaction and community participation from deaf surfers who often feel isolated in the water. USDSA is a leader in the Deaf community promoting safety. The Hawaii chapter, Hawaii Deaf Surfriders Association (HDSA), was formally established in 2007. USDSA chapters in California and Hawaii work together to provide social and competition events to deaf and hearing surfers. USDSA strives to increase awareness of both hearing and deaf cultures while being active in our efforts to promote environmentalism within our home communities.

United States Deaf Surfriders Association is hosting the “World Deaf Surfing Competition 2009” (WDSC), July 9-12, 2009 at Waikiki’s Queens Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii. This will be our third international competition and fourth international event. In the past, USDSA has done very well. USDSA holds both men’s shortboard and longboard champion titles and plans to take the women’s longboard and bodyboard champion titles this coming summer. Few USDSA surfers have been surfing on the NSSA circuit for years with many successful wins. Other USDSA surfers, while surfing for years, are new to competing as of this year.

USDSA is in search of your support while we make the “World Deaf Surfing Competition 2009” this July 9-12, 2009 a smashing success. USDSA is underway of a transformation to a nonprofit organization. In the meantime, Hawaii Sign Language Festival (HSLF) is co-hosting our event, to assist us in our 501(c)3 needs. We would greatly appreciate any donations you feel would benefit us on our endeavor.

As part of hosting the World Deaf Surfing Championships 2009, USDSA expects to provide global exposure to views of environmental conservation and opportunities to local businesses for economic growth potential. We hope to gain your assistance in achieving our goals. In consideration of your tax deductible contributions, we can meet with you personally to ensure your company is adequately recognized and compensated to your satisfaction.

USDSA is now offering a special opportunity for sponsors who meet the minimum contribution. WDSC 2009 will have a separate heat (longboard and shortboard), special for the sponsors to compete and challenge each other. If your company would like to participate, let us know.

We have successfully completed several fundraisers in the past several months and will be having many more events in preparation for WDSC 2009, in which your company may achieve additional exposure. We also expect to have media coverage at WDSC 2009 and possibly the events leading up to the World Deaf Surfing Championships on July 9-12, 2009 at Waikiki’s Queens Beach. We hope to make your company a part of this exciting event!

Thank you,

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