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SHOW BIZ

Amado Cacho 1st 'Al Waterson' semifinalist

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NAMES 'N' FACES: **Amado Cacho**, one-time "Miss Saigon" performer and ex-member of the reorganized (but since dissolved) band called **Honolulu**, is the first of 10 semi-finalists in the "Star Search"-style karaoke contest under way at Don Ho's Island Grill.

It's part of "Al Waterson and You," which is seeking finalists in competitions every Tuesday and Wednesday.

The competition leads up to a trip to Las Vegas and a chance to sing on Don Ho's holiday show, plus a recording contract with Mountain Apple Company. ...

Tiki Lounge Thursdays at Anna Bannana's will incorporate retro Hawaiian decor from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. March 27, with the upstairs space at the Beretania Street watering hole expected to be a hot spot.

What's more, Mr. Retro Man himself, **Don Ho**, will meet and greet folks in an autograph session from 11 p.m. to midnight. Inasmuch as he's now an MTV star (doing **Peter Gabriel's** "Shock the Monkey" in an animation flick produced by **Ray and Andy Bumatai**), he's right for the mission. Surf sounds from **The King Pins**, with **DJ Ginger** spinning the likes of "Hawaii Five-O," and DJ Mary Ann sharing "Exotica" and more, make this the destination for lounge lizards.

A \$5 cover prevails; open to those 21 and older, and hey, you can indulge in a Blue Hawai'i and other tropical drinks. ...

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