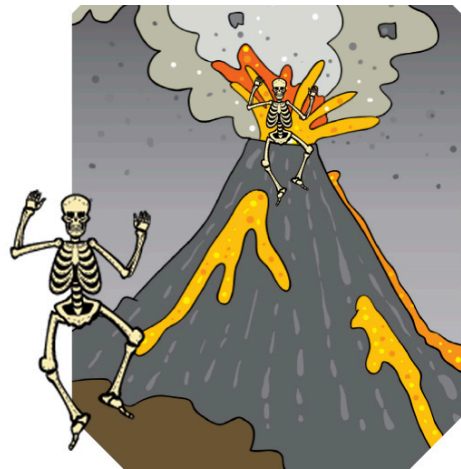


*Say Aloha to Murder*



*LCC 2009, Hawaii*

# Left Coast Crime 2009

*March 7-12, 2009*

*Marriott Waikoloa Beach  
Resort, The Big Island,  
Hawaii*

## Notes from the Lava Flow

Getting ready for the unconventional  
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### Programming

Programming for LCC Hawaii is moving very quickly now as attendees are returning their programming questionnaires. A reminder: be sure to send your questionnaire back to [jude@grebers.com](mailto:jude@grebers.com) by the end of November so that we can make our best attempt to include you on a panel. That's for fans and readers, too. We'll have panel opportunities for readers and writers alike.

In the meantime, we'd like to tell you about a few sessions that we're particularly pleased about.

**Writers:** (whether beginners or already published) will have lots of sessions they'll be interested in. We have two-hour hands-on workshops planned on everything from fiction writing to screen writing, as well as late night critique sessions.

**Readers:** Four separate book clubs to participate in: one for Earl Derr Biggers book *House Without A Key*, and one each for Rhys Bowen, Barry Eisler, and Lee Goldberg. Rhys, Barry and Lee will join the discussion in person, and Hal Glatzer will admirably stand in for Earl Derr Biggers.

For the CSI-obsessed, there are four stellar forensic presentations planned. As an example, Thomas Holland, Scientific Director of the Department of

Defense's central identification laboratory, will offer "Let the Dead Bury the Dead," a discussion of his speciality of using forensics to identify U.S. war dead.

Lots more specifics in the next newsletter and on our web site.. For now, get those questionnaires turned in and go practice your hula!

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**Blog:** Look at our terrific blog for articles about Hawaii. <http://www.sayalohatomurder.com/>

### Special to LCC 2009 – Rob Pacheco

Saturday March 7, Rob Pacheco, the Hawaii Forest and Trails leader, will speak on the Natural History of the Big Island. This Power Point Presentation in "living color" will provide the background for appreciation of the Big Island Flora and Fauna. Pacheco is an enthralling speaker not to be missed.

### Left Coast Crime Honorees

Rhys Bowen / Barry Eisler: Guests of Honor  
Lee Goldberg: Toastmaster  
Pam Dehnke / Vallery Feldman: Fan Guests of Honor  
Earl Derr Biggers: Ghost of Honor

## Win Autographed Books

Visit the Left Coast Crime Contests web page monthly to enter the latest book contest. Win autographed books by attending authors. Answer the trivia question to have your name placed in the pool for the next drawing. Good luck!

[www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009](http://www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009)

## Hotel: Marriott Waikoloa Beach Resort, on the Kona Coast

Call **1-877-359-3696** for reservations. Be sure to mention Left Coast Crime 2009. The special hotel rates are good for three days before the convention and three days after. Book now. Plan to make this a family vacation and take advantage of the pre- and post-convention trips currently under consideration.

[www.waikoloabeachmarriott.com](http://www.waikoloabeachmarriott.com).

## The "Road" to Hawaii is By Plane

Many flight options are available. **Kona Airport** on the Big Island is the final destination. There are direct flights to Kona. There are many more flights to Honolulu Airport with inter-island flights to Kona. United Airlines, Delta, Alaska and others have flights to the islands. Inter-island flights leave frequently from Honolulu. Book now, as the convention is during high tourist season. Check our website for more information.

## Getting To the Hotel

There is transportation for those of you who don't rent a car on the Big Island. Speedi Shuttle will take reservations and take you from the Kona Airport (DON'T FLY TO HILO!) to the Marriott Waikoloa Hotel. The cost is about \$45 for one person and a few dollars more for 2 or 3 people so it is very economical to share a ride. Ask if there is a "share the ride" option for when you book. 808-329-5433 where you can make reservations before 2009. It is too early to make reservations online, but in 2009 you can make reservations at: [www.speedishuttle.com](http://www.speedishuttle.com).

**Car Rental:** We have special rates from Avis. Please download the PDF on our web site for rates and special codes.

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## More Programming Highlights

**Saturday 1PM :** Special presentations on the history, beauty and nature of Hawaii. In the evening, join us For **Desserts to Die** for and **Getting to Know You**.

**Panels begin Sunday: 1PM**

**Sunday – Western style Luau and Welcome to Hawaii** prior to the play.

**Sunday Evening: *House Without a Key*:** One act play featuring Charlie Chan adapted by Hal Glatzer from the book by Earl Derr Biggers. Free to registrants - \$10 non-registrants.

**Full Day Programming** begins Monday at 9AM.

**Wednesday:** Awards brunch led by our toastmaster Lee Goldberg.

**Thursday:** Morning panels followed by an all convention Beach Party.

**Awards:** at the Brunch Banquet Ceremony, March 11, 2009, three awards will be given for mystery novels published in English (anywhere), between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008.

**Lefty Award:** Funny, humorous, smiling mystery  
**Bruce Alexander Memorial Historical Mystery Award:** Historical mystery, covering events before 1950

**Hawaii Five-O Award:** Law enforcement, police procedural

All publishers, authors and fans are invited to send in nominations by e-mail to [<cheryl@cherylstevenslaw.com>](mailto:cheryl@cherylstevenslaw.com) OR books themselves may be sent to (will not be returned) to Bill Gottfried, 10 Rustic Way, Orinda, CA 94563, USA.

All book nominations must have: Name Author, Title Book, Date of Publication, Award Category, Publisher. Deadline for nominations Dec. 1. Judges reserve the right to review nomination categories.

**Raffle** A wall hanging in an Hawaiian pattern done by our Fan Guests of Honor will be raffled off at the Awards Banquet. Tickets will be available in the registration area. The label is signed by all of the Guests of Honor. The wall hangings are one of a kind pieces. To look at previous LCC wall hangings go to <[www.leftcoastcrime.org](http://www.leftcoastcrime.org)> and click on Quilt Gallery

**Silent Auction** Cheryl Stevens who ran the successful auction at LCC 2004 is once again in charge of the silent auction in Hawaii. Suggestions for donations are characters in a book, signed books, gift baskets, etc. Contact Cheryl: <[cheryl@cherylstevenslaw.com](mailto:cheryl@cherylstevenslaw.com)>.

Money raised from the raffle and auction will go to the **Kona Literacy Program**.

**Book Room** Tom and Enid Schantz are in charge of the dealers' room. Book room open during the entire convention. We hope to have Post Net- Queen market on site mailing services. If not there will be a shuttle from the hotel to their store. Contact Tom and Enid for more information about the book room. <[Tomenid@aol.com](mailto:Tomenid@aol.com)>

**Attention Authors** If you have personal mailing lists, Blog or web site be sure to mention that you will be in Hawaii in March 2009.



Byodo-In Temple on Oahu Photo by Carol Fairweather

## Consider an Ad in the Program Book – Ad rates are reasonable.

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Send your photo ready copy (300 dpi) of your advertisement with your payment in full by Dec. 15. Please make your check payable to Left Coast Crime Conference, Inc. The non-profit tax number (EIN) is 86-0775004. Send the check, with ad copy, to Margaret Howland, 12 Pinehurst Green Way, Greenville, SC, 29609, or send the ad copy in a .jpg file via email to [howlanma@yahoo.com](mailto:howlanma@yahoo.com).

**Roommate Matching Service** If you are looking for a roommate, e-mail: Noemi Levine: [lev@speakeasy.net](mailto:lev@speakeasy.net). She will put a list together and e-mail it back to those who are interested.

**Time Difference From the Mainland** Hawaii follows Hawaii Standard Time (GMT-10 hours), which is 5 hours behind Eastern Standard Time and 2 hours behind Pacific Standard Time. Hawaii does not observe Daylight Savings Time, so add one extra hour to the time difference during this period (March through November).

**Weather** Left Coast Crime is being held at a warm, balmy location. Expect temperatures from 70-80° F. One can pack very lightly. Hawaii is a very casual place, which means essentially a swimsuit, a cover up, and a hat to protect you from the sun.

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### Become a sponsor: Contact Toby Gottfried:

<TGottfried@gottfried.org> or go to our web site for more information. [www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009](http://www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009)

**Day Trips** Plan your Hawaii stay to include a day trip or two planned by Meetings By Design. Information and booking on-line is available at <[www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009](http://www.leftcoastcrime.org/2009)>

A sampling:

Evening at Kahua Ranch—Conference Exclusive  
Date: Monday March 9 Only

Kilauea Volcano Adventure  
Date: Reserved Space on Friday March 6

Kealakekua Bay Snorkel  
Dates: Confirmed Space (Deluxe AM) on Saturday March 7, Sunday March /8 and Thursday March 12

For those who have never been to the Big Island, these trips are a wonderful way to see and experience it. For those who have, the trips will reacquaint you.

(Left Coast Crime Conference Committee, Inc.)

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