



Born on sugar plantations and spoken by more than half of Hawaii's population, 'Pidgin' - part English, part Hawaiian, with influences from other languages - captures the essence of multi-ethnic Hawaii. PIDGIN: THE VOICE OF HAWAII profiles this working-class language from its rise as plantation jargon to a source of island identity and pride. The film draws on a variety of sources, including archival, academic and other expert commentary, man-on-the-street interviews and performances that shed light on this colorful language. Dedicating the documentary to the late Kanalu Young, who co-produced the film with Marlene Booth, PIDGIN: THE VOICE OF HAWAII is a worthy homage to all who hold a special place for island life in their hearts.

Pidgin: the voice of Hawai'i

Screenings at HIFF:

Sunday, October 18th, 7 pm, at Sunset on the Beach, Waikiki. (free)

Sunday, October 25th, 11 am, at Dole Cannery