

# Biography for Hawaii Broadcaster “Billy V”



Radio and TV personality, “Billy V,” aka William Van Osdol of BVO Enterprises LLC, has been a fixture in the entertainment industry for quite some time. Often referred to as “The Hawaiian Ryan Seacrest” for his diversified career, Billy is regarded as the voice of Hawaii.

For the past 12 years, Billy V. has been a member of the award-winning team on Hawaii News Now Sunrise (KHNL/KGMB/KFVE). Billy is not a newcomer to the broadcast industry; he is a 33-year veteran of radio broadcast in the islands with 24 of those years spent at KCCN/KINE Radio Stations, Billy’s extensive background has led him to work with legendary talents such as Honolulu Skylark and Krash Kealoha at KORL and KCCN Radio Stations. He was a key team member who worked to bring KCCN FM 100, the world’s first 24-

hour Hawaiian Music radio station on-the-air, became its first music director, and eventually Program Director. In 2006 he moved over to work mornings on Hawaiian 105 KINE and then worked in tandem as part of the highly-rated show “Na‘au Therapy” with Hawaii entertainer & broadcast partner Mele Apana.

Throughout his career, his friendly voice and warm personality have made him the go-to choice for emceeding numerous high profile events in Hawai‘i including the Merrie Monarch Festival, Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards, Lantern Floating Hawai‘i, NFL Pro Bowl, and the Miss Hawai‘i Scholarship Pageant. Billy has also been the Game Day Activities Coordinator and “face” of U.H. Athletics for the past 20 years.

Billy has served on the Board of Directors for organizations including Ohana Arts and the Kona Club of Honolulu, the latter that raises scholarship funds for graduating seniors of Konawaena and Kealakehe High Schools where Billy was once a student. As of 2016, Billy has created a scholarship at Konawaena High School for a senior student

who wishes to explore a career in broadcast journalism.

When not working on his growing empire, Billy enjoys spending time with his wife, Sawako, son, Leion, and puppy, Chewy.