

Melekalikimaka

My Hula Hut

Grades: PK-12

ABOUT THE PERFORMANCE

A Christmas in Hawaii performance! Celebrate Christmas Hawaiian style with the hula dancers of My Hula Hut! This holiday performance is great for the whole family!

TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills):

	Music	Dance	Language Arts	Social Studies	The Students Will: • Demonstrate appropriate etiquette during live performances. • Practice listening and speaking. • Experience a Hawaiian celebration. • Write/tell stories to express ideas and feelings about real or imagined people, events, and ideas.
K	3, 4		1, 6, 8, 11	11, 13, 14, 15	
1	5, 6		1, 6, 8, 12	14, 16, 17, 18	
2	5, 6		1, 6, 8, 12	12, 14, 15, 17	
3	5, 6		1, 6, 8, 12	10, 12, 14, 15, 16	
4	5, 6		1, 6, 8, 12	17, 19, 20, 21	
5	5, 6		1, 6, 8, 12	20, 21, 22, 23, 24	
6-8	4, 5	1, 3, 4, 5	1, 5, 6, 7, 11	13, 16, 21, 22	
HS	5, 6	1, 3, 4, 5	Eng. I: 1, 4, 5, 6, 10	World Hist. 23, 25, 29, 30	

STAAR (State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness)

Reading comprehension skills in Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Writing skills in Grade 4, 7
Social Studies skills in Grade 8
End of course tests in English and World History

Academic Vocabulary:

Hawaii	The 50 th state in the United States. A group of islands, including Oahu, Maui, the Big Island, and Kauai, about 2,000 miles from the mainland in the Pacific Ocean.
Luau	A party or feast in Hawaii, often with entertainment.

Christmas foods in Hawaii	- Sticky rice: Chewy but gluten-free rice - Poke: Raw, cubed, marinated fish, served over rice. - Sashimi: Sliced raw fish, seafood, or protein. - Sushi: Seasoned rice with fish, egg, or vegetables. A sushi roll is shaped inside a thin sheet of seaweed. - Halo Halo: a dessert made with mixed fruit, boiled sweetened white beans, milk, and shaved ice, typically topped with purple yam, crème caramel, and ice cream. - Kalua pig: Pork slow cooked in a pit with hot rocks.
Mele Kalikimaka	Merry Christmas in Hawaiian. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtdEufWBD08
Hula	Traditional dance of Hawaii. A way to express stories, traditions, and connect with the past. https://www.gohawaii.com/hawaiian-culture/hula
A'ohe Pau Ka 'Ike I Ka Halau Ho"okahi	"All knowledge is not taught in the same school" "One can learn from many sources."
Mo'olelo	Story; tradition. https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=mo%E2%80%98olelo&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8
Mele	Chants, songs, or poems

CLASSROOM CONNECTIONS:

Before the performance

- What do you know about Hawaii?
- Has anyone ever been there?

After the performance:

- What did you like best about the presentation?
- Write, draw, tell, sing, dance, or act out your favorite part.

Language Arts:

- Retell a Hawaiian folktale and illustrate.
<https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=hawaiian+folktale&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8>

- Create some “meles” about Hawaii.
- Create skits, drawings, songs, or other forms around traditional Hawaiian sayings or traditions.
- Compare the Hawaiian alphabet to the English alphabet. What English words can you make using the Hawaiian alphabet? Generate a list and use them in stories, raps, songs, poems, skits, or other forms. Ideas: man, map, hulk, kiln, lamp, walk, know, etc.

Hawaiian Alphabet

Vowels:
A, E, I, O, U

Consonants:
H, K, L, M, N, P, W, and the “okina,” a glottal stop.

The wrath of Pele The volatile volcano goddess

Pele is the Goddess of Fire and Volcanoes who appears in many stories in Hawaiian folklore. This goddess of creation and destruction lives high atop Kilauea, one of the most active volcanoes in the world. She's passionate and hot-tempered, and when angered she'll send lava rushing down the mountain, eating up towns and dramatically shaping the landscape at her whim. She's also known to sometimes take human form. Drivers have reported seeing an old woman with white hair walking along the road who accepts their offer for a ride and climbs in the back seat. When the driver later turns to look at her, she's vanished. <https://www.seaparadise.com/10-mysterious-myths-and-legends-in-hawaii/>

Math:

- Create graphs that show the ethnic diversity of Hawaii: 45.8% Asian/Pacific Islander, 21.5% White, 10.1% Hispanic, 2.0% Black.
<https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=population+diversity+in+hawaii&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8>
- Make a map to scale that shows the distance between Houston and Honolulu.

Social Studies:

- Create a Christmas luau.
- Investigate celebrations that occur in Asian countries with representation in Hawaii, such as Japanese, Filipino, or Chinese.

Science:

- Investigate volcanoes in Hawaii.
- Create a classroom volcano.
<https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=classroom+volcano&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8>

Resources:

Hawaii: (official website)
<https://portal.ehawaii.gov>

Christmas Traditions in Hawaii:
<https://www.waikikiresort.com/blog/christmas-events-traditions-in-hawaii>

ABOUT THE ARTIST:

For over 15 years Malia's Hula Hut has produced Hawaiian & Polynesian shows in Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Oklahoma and more! Based in the Houston-Woodlands-Sugar Land Metro Area in Texas, Hula Hut provides exceptional high-quality performances for young people and families through Young Audiences of Houston. The beautiful and cultural islands of Polynesia have many forms of song and dance. However, each dance is associated with a specific island group and is special to a specific culture. Hula comes from the islands of Hawai'i, Tahitian derives from the islands of Tahiti, the Haka and Poi Balls originated in New Zealand, and fire knife dancing comes from Samoa. Although these dances may often be seen performed back-to-back in a Polynesian show, they are unique and represent various cultures.