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This multi-media resource list, compiled by Dana Vinke of the Torrance Public Library in partnership with the American Library Association, provides a range of perspectives on the issues raised by the upcoming P.O.V. documentary "American Aloha" that premieres on August 5th at 10 p.m. on PBS (check local listings). Dr. Amy Ku'uleialoha Stillman contributed the website portion of this list.

For Hawaiians, the hula is not just a dance, but a way of life. While most Americans know only the stereotypes of grass skirts and coconut bras, the hula is a living tradition that tells of the rich history and spirituality of Hawai'i through music, language, and dance. "American Aloha: Hula Beyond Hawai'i" discovers a renaissance of Hawaiian culture as it continues to grow in California. Following three kumu hula, or master hula teachers, the film celebrates the perpetuation of a culture – from the very traditional to the contemporary – as it evolves on distant shores. Revealing the survival of Hawai'i's indigenous culture from near-destruction, "American Aloha" is a reminder of the power of reclaiming tradition for communities creating a home away from home. An Independent Television Service (ITVS) and Pacific Islanders in Communications (PIC) co-presentation. A Diverse Voices Project Selection.

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VIDEOS/DOCUMENTARIES


"Then There Were None." Directed by Elizabeth Kapu'uawaiani Lindsey. 1996.

WEBSITES

Explore Hawai'i's history and the contemporary status of native Hawaiians:

A Brief History of the Hawaiian Islands
300AD – 1900
http://www.deephawaii.com/hawaiianhistory.htm

Hawai'i – Independent and Sovereign
http://www.hawaii-nation.org/

Links to Hawaiian Sovereignty and Culture Resources on the Web
http://www.hawaiination.org/links.html

Aloha from Hawaii
http://aloha-hawaii.com/hawaii_magazine/hula/hula.html

Find out more about Hawaiians on the mainland:

U.S. Census Bureau links to information on Asian Pacific American populations
http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/race/api.html

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Population: 2000
http://www.census.gov/prod/2001pubs /ms01nhpi.pdf

AlohaWorld.com
http://alohaworld.com/

"Mainland Hawaiian Events"—an events calendar maintained by AlohaWorld.com
http://alohaworld.com/cgi-bin/suite/calendar/calendar.cgi

Hawaiians Abroad
http://www.hawaiiansabroad.com/

Aloha Worldwide at Honolulu Star Bulletin
http://starbulletin.com/aloha/

Da Coconut Wireless
http://www.punawelewele.com

Ohana Network—a message board for Mainland Hawaiians
http://www.ohananet.com/

San Francisco Bay Area Hawaiian Resources
http://pw1.netcom.com/~halkop/

Southern California and Las Vegas Hawaiian Resources
http://www.hawaiianlinks.com

Directory of Hawaiian Dance Schools in the USA and Worldwide
http://althingshawaiian.com/hula-halau.html

Learn more about hula traditions:

"The Hula Pages.
http://www.geocities.com/~olelo/hula.html

"Huapala Hawaiian Music and Hula Archives
http://www.huapala.org/


Hawaiian Music Island
http://mele.com

H4 Hula Forum—a message board for those in the Hula community
http://walaau.hotspotshawaii.com/interaction$/forum/index

Learn more about the Hawaiian language:

The Hawaiian Language Website
http://www.geocities.com/~olelo/

Hawaiian Glossary— contains sound files with oral translations

Kualono – Univ. of Hawai'i – Hilo Hawaiian Language website
http://www.olelo.hawaii.edu/

Watch more hula dancing:

"Virtual Festival: Hula in Hawai'i." Sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution Office of Folklife, this includes two clips of hula 'auana.
http://www.folklife.si.edu/vfest/hawaii/hula.htm#kahiko

Merrie Monarch Hula Festival
http://www.theoremiahawaii.com/hulafest/