

“Halulu me he kapua`i kanaka la ka ua o Hilo.

`Ölelo No`eau # 436, Pukui

Ua ho`omaka ko mākou huaka`i i Hilo ma ka mahina `o Pepeluali 2013, he mau mahina ma mua aku o ka lā a mākou i ha`alele ai mai ko mākou mau `āina pono`i mai. Ua ho`omaka mākou `o nā mea hula o “Recalling Hawai`i” e ho`omakaukau no ka hō`ike ma Hilo ma hope koke pono iho o ka hō`ike ma Maui i ka mahina `o Iune, 2012. Ua ho`omaka ka ho`olālā `ana no ka hō`ike ma Maui ma hope o ka hō`ike ma Kaua`i ma ka mahina o Mei, 2011, a ua ho`omaka ka ho`olālā `ana no ka hō`ike ma Kaua`i ma hope o ko mākou ho`i `ana mai Europa mai i ke kau wela o 2010, kahi i mālama `ia ai `ekolu hō`ike ma Kuikilana, Kelemānia a me Aukekulia.

`O mākou, nā mea hula, he po`e maka`āinana i piha i ka `i`ini i nā mea Hawai`i, `o ka hula `oe, ka ho`okani pila `oe, ka mo`omeheu `oe, a me ka mō`aukala. He po`e mākou mai nā `oihana a me nā lāhui like `ole mai. `O ke keiki `ōpio loa, he 7 ona makahiki, a `o ka makua o`o loa, he 70 makahiki a `oi. Noho a ho`opa`a ha`awina hula mākou ma Maui, Kaua`i, O`ahu, Kaleponi, Kuikilana, Kelemānia, Aukekulia, a me Samoa i loko o ke kaila hula o Roselle Keli`ihonipua Bailey a me kāna mau kaikamāhine `o Sharon Ioana Balidoy a me Pohākalani Mauga. He mau lālā mākou o Ka `Imi Na`auao o Hawai`i Nei Institute, ua ho`okumu `ia ma ka makahiki 1977 i ka hui kumuloa`a `ole. `O ka ho`okumu `ia `ana a me ka hō`ike `ia `ana o “Recalling Hawai`i”, he mea ia e ho`okō ai i ke ala nu`ukia ākea o kumu hula Mrs. Bailey, e ho`ona`auao i ka lehulehu ma o ka hula a ho`iho`i hou i nā mea Hawai`i i ke kūlana mua i ka hanohano. Ma loko o ka ho`okahi hola me ka hapa kēia papahana mele a me nā hula i ha`i `ia ai ko Hawai`i mo`olelo mai ka wā pō, ka wā `a`ohe kanaka, a hiki i ka wā ao, i kēia manawa.

He mau kamali`i a me kekahi mau mākou i pili i Queen Lili`uokalani Childrens Center ma Maui. `O ka `eleu palena `ole, a me ka `a`apo no`eau o kēia mau keiki kai ho`owaiwai i ka hō`ike a paipai nō ho`i i nā mākou e lilo i mau kumu ho`ohālike no lākou. “*Eia ka iki nowelo a ka mikioi.* (Pukui # 303) Oli lākou me ka leo ikaika, hula me ka ehuehu a me ke kā`ala`ala, a aloha `ia mai lākou e ke anaina e nānā ana!

Ma nā pule ma mua o ka huaka`i i Hilo, ua ho`oma`ama`a mākou i nā hula, nā oli a me nā mele ma ko mākou mau `āina pono`i me ke kōkua `ana mai o nā wikiō i ho`ouna `ia ma ka leka uila no ke alaka`i `ana iā mākou i nā mahele ma waena o nā hula a me nā mele. Ua makemake mākou e ho`opili pono i ka papakuhikuhi `oi ai e ne`e ana nā mea hula like `ole ma luna o ke kahua me ka `emo `ole. He hana nui kēia hui `ana o mākou apau i nā lā `elua wale nō ma mua o ka hō`ike. Eia kekahi hana nui hou a`e, `o ia ka ho`opili `ana o mākou i nā hale keaka like `ole. `O nā ha`awina ma Hilo, `o ia ho`i ke komo `ana o nā kanaka he 50 a `oi ma luna o ke kahua li`ili`i, ke komo `ana a me ka ho`i `ana i ka `ao`ao ho`okahi o ke kahua, a me ka hiki `ole ke puka aku ma hope o ke kahua i kekahi `ao`ao `ē a`e. He “luahine nohea” ka Palace Theater, i kūkulu `ia i nā makahiki ma kahi o 1925 no nā ki`i`oni`oni, `a`ole no nā hana keaka “ola” me nā po`e keaka he nui e makemake ana i nā ipuka he nui. Pōmaika`i mākou no kēlā mau lā `elua ma loko o ka hale keaka ma mua o ka hō`ike `ana. E ho`omana`o `oukou, `a`ole mākou he po`e `oihana hana keaka.

Ua koho mākou i Arnott's Lodge ma Keaukaha no ko mākou noho `ana, a ua maika`i loa ma laila. Ua kokoke i ka hale keaka, loa`a he wahi kuke no ka ho`omakaukau `ana i ka mea `ai, a me nā lumi kūpono no ka noho pū `ana o nā kamali`i, nā `ōpio, nā `ōlapa, nā mea ho`okani pila, nā kumu, a me nā mea kōkua hana keaka. Ua ho`ohana mākou i ka lānai nui i nā ahiahi `elua no ka ho`oma`ama`a `ana. Ma hope o ka `aina ahiahi ua ho`oma`ama`a nā mea ho`okani pila i nā mele `oiāi e hula pū ana nā `ōlapa. Ua pōmaika`i ka po`e malihini `ē a`e i noho ma Arnott's, i ko lākou lohe `ana a me ka nānā `ana i nā mele a me nā hula Hawai`i maoli. He `aka`aka, he himeni, he hula, he kui lei, he `aiana lole a he ha`i mo`olelo e pili ana i nā hō`ike ma mua, a he ho`onanea piha iho nō ho`i mākou, `o ia ko mākou hana ma nā ahiahi o ka Pō`ahā a me ka Pō`alima iā mākou i ho`omakaumaku ai i ka hō`ike. I ka hala `ana o kekahi manawa, ua hele a makaukau a ua `emi ko mākou hopohopo no ka hō`ike.

Ma ke awakea o ka Pō`alima, ua hula mākou i kekahi papa hana kuikawā e pili ana i nā manu `ōiwi ma ke kahua hō`ike`ike `Imiloa Kikowaena Lewanu`u ma ke kula nui o Hawai`i ma Hilo. Ua hula mākou i “Ke Kanikau nā Kiamanu o Moloka`i”, he kanikau kēia no nā kia manu o Moloka`i ma muli o ka nalowale `ana i nā manu `ō`ō nuku mū ma muli o ke kī pū `ana aku ma kahi o ka `ohi `ana i nā hulu e like me ka `ohi `ana o ka wā kahiko. A ma hope nei i hula ai mākou i ka mele hou no ka puaihi, ko Kaua`i manu iki, kekahi manu `ane make loa e noho ana ma ka nahele o Alaka`i ma Kōke`e. Ua haku `ia ua mele lā no ka ho`ohanohano `ana i ka ho`oku`u `ana me ka ho`opaipai `ana iā lākou e ho`omāhuahua i nā manu kama`āina a ulu a laha ma Alaka`i o nā puaihi hānai laka `ia. Ua hula maika`i nā `ōlapa mai Maui mai i ka hula `auana “Manu Mele” i haku `ia e kekahi kama`āina Hawai`i, `o ia ho`i `o Diane Aki. Ho`ohanohano kēia mele i nā manu koa`e, ka palila a me ka `ōma`o me kekahi mele aloha. `A`ole pa`a nā kamali`i i kēlā papa hō`ike, akā ua hau`oli loa lākou e `ike i kēia wahi `o `Imiloa, `o ka nonoi nō ia a lākou e hula. Ua hula lākou i ka hula ma`i e pili ana `o Kau`ikeaouli, “Aia Hāmākua i ke Kai”. `O ka mālā pua `ōiwi e pili ana iā `Imiloa, ua mohala ia i nā lehua mamo a `ula`ula ma muli o ka pōmaika`i `ana o ka ua kani lehua o Hilo. “Ua ka ua, ola ka nohona o ka `āina kula.” (Pukui #2802)

`O ka Pō`aono ke ahiahi nui no ka hō`ike i ka Hale Keaka o Palace, a ua pau ke kahua a me nā mea hula i ka ho`omakaukau `ia. Mahalo aku iā Kenneth Lee, nāna ka `oihana ho`oulu i nā mea kanu `ōiwi, he ulu nahele ia ma luna pono o ke kahua! `O kēlā ka manawa mua a mākou i kūkulu ai i ahu a Laka ma luna o nā pono ho`okani leo! Akā na`e `o ia ka li`ili`i o ke kahua a me kahi no nā mea hula.

He pīhoihoi, he kūo`o, he kaumaha, he kupu mana`o, a he nani ka hō`ike a ua nanea ke anaina he 200. `O nā kamali`i kai ho`ohiwahiwa i ka lākou hula pua`a `o “Nemonemo ka Pua`a” a me ka lākou hula ma`i no Kau`ikeaouli. Ua `alohi ke kahua i nā `ōlapa kahiko i loko o ka mahele “Pō” ma muli o ko lākou mau pā`ū waiho`olu`u like `ole a me ko lākou hula le`a `ana i nā hula o Pele a me ka hula kāla`au `o “He Motu Ta`ula Nīhoa me Ni`ihau”. He `eleu ka hula `ana a nā `ōpio i hō`ike i ke kolo `ana a me ke kani `ana o ka ua loku ma luna o nā pali o Ko`olau o O`ahu a me ko Kaua`i. Ua hui nā “Huina” (i kapa `ia no ka mea he po`e hula `auana lākou mai nā `āina `ē a`e he nui) me nā hui hula `ē a`e no ka hula `ana i “Mo`olele” e hō`ike `ana i ka hō`ea `ana mai o nā wa`a me nā kākāka i Hawai`i nei. Ua pau pono ka mahele “Pō” o ua hō`ike la i ka `ākoakoa nā mea hula apau ma ke kahua me ka hula kahiko `ana i “Kaulilua i ke Anu Wai`ale`ale”.

ʻO ka mahele “Ao” o ka hōʻike, he moʻolelo e pili ana i ke aupuni mōʻī Hawaiʻi me nā mele i haku ʻia e nā aliʻi a me nā mele haku ʻia no nā aliʻi, i hula ʻia ma ke kaʻina mai ka wā o Kamehameha a hiki i kēia wā, me ka hoʻomanaʻo pono i ka Mōʻīwahine ʻo Liliʻuokalani. ʻO ka nani o kēia mahele, ʻo ia hoʻi ka mahele kokoke i ka hopena o ka hōʻike, ʻo ia ke komo pū ʻana a nā mea hula i loko o nā lālani e hula iā “This is Hawaiʻi”. Haliʻa aʻela ka manaʻo o mākou i ka ʻike maka ʻana i ko lākou mau minoʻaka iā mākou i hula ai i ka hula hope loa.

ʻOiai ua pau ka hōʻike, upu aʻela ko mākou manaʻo i ka hana maikaʻi, ua holoholo mākou i Volcano i ka Lāpule. No ke anilā, ua huʻihuʻi, ʻoʻolokū a ua ua nui iā mākou i hoʻokipa ai iā Pele no ka mōhai ʻana aku a hoʻohanohano iā ia me nā oli. ʻO ka hapanui o nā kamaliʻi, ʻakahi nō lākou a kipa aku iā Volcano, a ua pīhoihoi lākou e ʻike i nā mea hōʻikeʻike ma ka hale hoʻokipa a me ka hale hōʻikeʻike lua pele. He mea ohohia no lākou ke kipa ʻana iā Nāmakanipaio Pāka kahi i kūkulu ʻia ai he mau kapuahi ma ka lānai, a ua kū pūʻuluʻulu iho lākou ma hope o ko lākou kōkua ʻana e hoʻā i ke ahi. Me nā lima a me nā puʻuwai pumehana, ua mau ka mākaʻikaʻi o kekahi o mākou e kipa aku ana i ko Hawaiʻi mau wahi pana, ʻoiai ua hoʻi kekahi mau poʻe ʻē aʻe i Hilo e hoʻi i ko lākou mau ʻāina.

Nāu i noiʻi noelo aku, pau nā pali paʻa i ka ʻike ʻia. (He oli no Kalākaua)

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