

Nani's Story

Once in King Kamehameha's time...

I'm Nani (it means beautiful). I have really long dark brown hair, hazelnut eyes, and tan skin.

When Nani was 6, she was playing in the sand while her dad was fishing. Then a really big wave rolled in.

“Nani run!” Said her dad. So she obeyed. Her dad was a very kind hard working man, so of course he grabbed the most fish. But he was not fast enough. The big wave took him away. “Dad!” Nani screamed.

When Nani was 10 she and her mom were packing for a voyage to look for Nani's dad. They left late in the night on a boat.

In the morning when it was light enough they saw... Dolphins, whales, sea turtles, and manta rays.

After 8 days they reached an island. They ate and drank all they needed. And there he was! “Dad!” Nani shouted. “You were here all along! I missed you!” And so he sat down to eat with them. “This is Ono-licious!” He said.

They made a shelter and fell asleep. That night there was a storm it washed away their boat.

When they woke up Nani looked around. “Oh no the boat is gone!” said Nani. So they made a raft. Nani's dad still had rope from the fishing nets, and they weaved palm leaves as sails. So they sailed home.

When Nani grew up she got married and had two keikis named Mana and Mahina. When they got older Nani taught them how to sail by there selves.

Her husband is a fisherman he fishes for the village. Nani usually has to help the other women take care of all the keiki's of the village that are under 4 years old. Her oldest son Mana and all the other boys that are 10 like help the men fish when they're not learning about the ocean. Mahina is 1 and is always with Nani and the other children under 4. Once a child is 4 they start learning about the ocean. Nani is trying to teach Mahina early.

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Write It Out Contest

Rules

Create an original piece of writing (no fanfiction) inspired by the stories and images of Hawai'i, the Pacific, and your imagination.

Only one entry per person.

Deadline

March 31, 2020

Email your writing and the entry form in the body of an email, or as attachments to: childrensliteraturehawaii@gmail.com.

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Entry Title: Nani's Story

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Student Signature: Kaleigh Tracy

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