

## Hālau Mōhala 'Ilima Class Information

- Who: **Advanced Women** (Select)  
This class is named **Lei 'Āpiki**\* and is made up of the Merrie Monarch dancers of HMI. It is offered to exceptional intermediate- and advanced-level women of the hālau by invitation only.
- When: Tuesday nights, 7 to 9 p.m.  
Saturday afternoons, 2 to 5 p.m.  
Extended hours and additional meetings as necessary
- Where: Hinawaikoli'i\*\*  
776 Kailua Road, Suite 202  
Kailua, O'ahu 96734
- Teacher: Kumu Māpuana de Silva
- Tuition: Negotiated individually with Māpuana

\* Lei 'Āpiki: "a name given to the 'ilima lei because it was believed to attract mischievous spirits; some did not wear this lei but others considered it lucky" (Pukui, *Dictionary*).

\*\* Hinawaikoli'i (perhaps: "the barely visible water of Hina") is the name of a feather that transforms itself into the water container in which Kahinihini'ula, the hero of Samuel Keko'owai's mo'olelo of the Mākālei (*Makalei ka Laau Pii Ona a ka I-a o Moa-ula-Nui-Akea i Kaulana*, Nupepa Kuokoa, 1922-1924) is able to see distant events and work to a positive future. We think of our Hinawaikoli'i as offering us a similar perspective through the lens of hula and aloha 'āina,