



# Reflections from Hawai'i



# **A Grounding to Get Us Started**

When we talk about climate change and climate activism, for indigenous and Pasifika people, our ancestral memory is deep. When there are climate-related harms, our hurt is deep.

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A landscape photograph showing a wide, green grassy field in the foreground. In the middle ground, there are several mountains, with the most prominent one being a large, dark, jagged peak. The sky is filled with heavy, grey clouds, creating a dramatic and somewhat somber atmosphere. The overall scene is a natural, outdoor setting.

For kānaka maoli, you cannot separate land from sky.

You cannot talk about Papa without Wākea.

You cannot separate ‘āina and ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i.

Conversations about climate change, harm and disproportionate impacts can be incredibly triggering for BIPOC communities.





Who is this lady anyway?





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## **When the flames were contained**

At least 6 child care centers lost

At least 2 family child care homes lost

Nearly 100 lives lost

More than 2,200 structures lost

More than a dozen cultural sites and landmarks

# **The Best Laid Plans**

were either

forgotten

or

no longer applicable



**Community  
is  
Paramount**



**You need to be prepared to**

step up and step in

and

**fight like hell**