

Hawai'i State Public Library System

Hawai'i State Board of Education Meeting

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Report of the State Librarian

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June 2025 Updates

- Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)
- Summer Reading Challenge
- Presenting the new look for Hawai‘i’s public libraries



IMLS Update



Summer Reading Challenge 2025

Strategic Framework & Focus Areas



MISSION

The Hawai'i State Public Library System inspires curiosity and creates opportunities for all to read, learn, and connect.



VISION

Nourished minds.
Thriving Hawai'i communities.
Enriched generations.

**STRENGTHENING
LITERACY**

**IGNITING OUR
DIGITAL FUTURE**

**CREATING
OPPORTUNITIES FOR
LIFE ENRICHMENT**

**DEEPENING
COMMUNITY
RELATIONSHIPS**

Focus Area: Strengthening Literacy



Hawai‘i was once one of the most literate nations in the world. The Summer Reading Challenge is a modern way to rekindle that legacy.

Summer Reading Challenge – Seeking 25k Participants

Challenge Basics:

- Began on June 1 and runs through July 31.
- Readers of **ALL AGES** are encouraged to join!
- Earn rewards for reading!
- Be entered to win prizes as reading milestones are reached!



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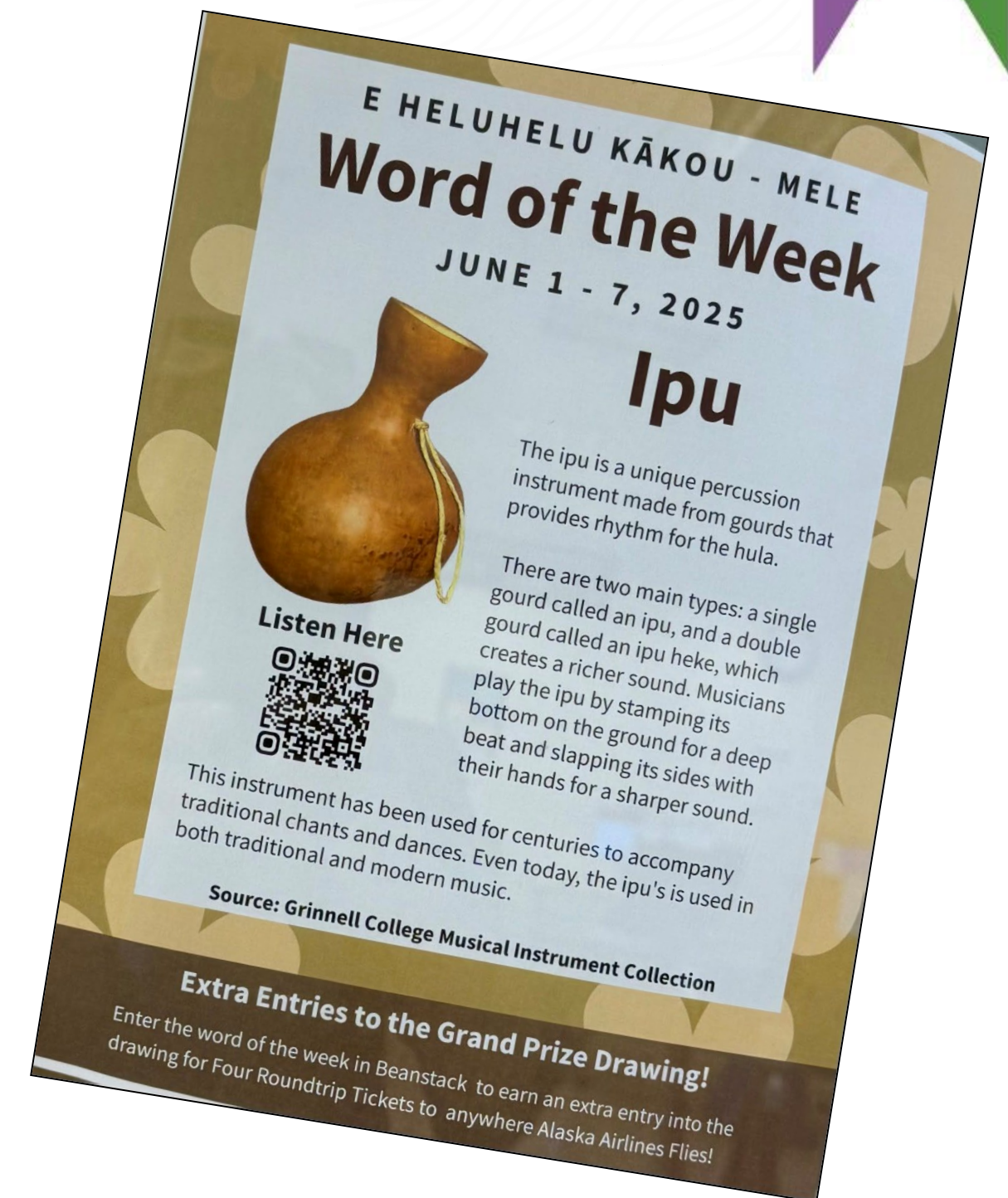
Three easy ways to join:

- Online: Go to the [Beanstack website](#).
- Mobile App: Download the Beanstack app, available for both [iOS](#) and [Android](#).
- In-Person: Visit your local library.

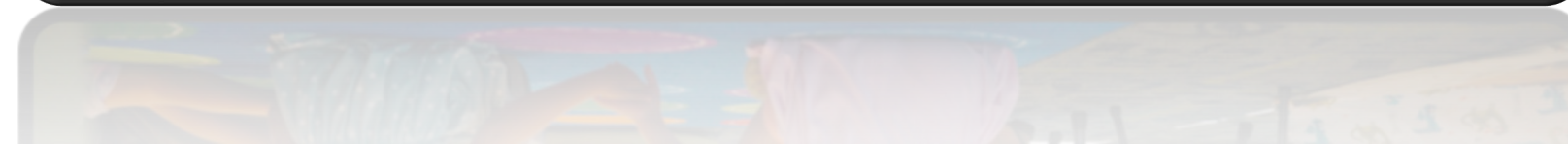


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- Challenges, [rewards and prize drawings](#) for readers of all ages:
 - **Kids** (Birth through 5th grade): **Read 800 minutes**
 - **Teens** (6th through 12th grades): **Read eight books**
 - **Adults**: **Read eight books**
- **All Ages**: Enter the **Word of the Week** that's posted at your local library to earn grand prize drawing entries



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Mahalo!

**to our 2025
Summer
Reading
Challenge
sponsors!**





New Look for Hawai‘i’s Public Libraries!

Presenting our new look!



The new look is designed to invite both longtime patrons and newcomers to reconnect with us.

The Story of Our Logo

- The blue shape on the left represents the HSPLS system.
- The colored triangles represent the six islands with HSPLS libraries.
- The triangles are equal in size and shape because each island is equally important in the system.



The Story of Our Logo

- The design was inspired by the rich history of traditional patterns seen in Hawaiian kapa, artwork, and tattoos.
- We looked toward shapes that represent community, harmony, and prosperity:
 - Lōkahi
 - Lei hala
 - Māhā ‘upena



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Our logo was inspired by the rich history of traditional patterns seen in Hawaiian kapa, artwork, and tattoos. We looked toward shapes that represent community, wisdom, harmony, and prosperity.



lōkahi = unity, agreement
Harmony, balance



lei hala = pandanus garland
Wisdom, a rite of passage



māhā 'upena = large net
Community, providing, prosperity

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The Story of Our Colors

Our colors are based on the state-recognized colors of the Hawaiian Islands where we have libraries:

- Hawai‘i (Big Island) - Red (*‘Ōhi‘a Lehua*)
- Maui - Pink (*Lokelani* - *Damask Rose*)
- O‘ahu - Yellow (*‘Ilima*)
- Kaua‘i - Purple (*Mokihana*)
- Moloka‘i - Green (*Kukui Nut Tree*)
- Lāna‘i - Orange (*Kauna‘oa* - *Native Dodder Vine*)

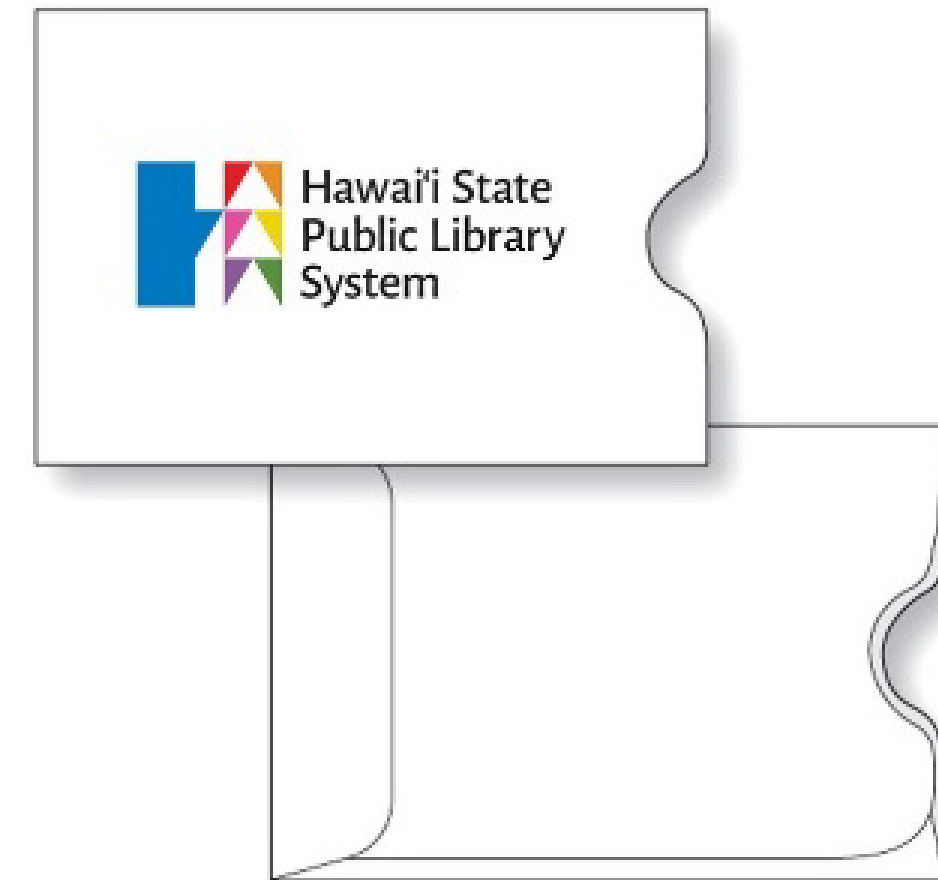
Blue represents the ocean that connects the state and symbolizes the system that supports and connects the island libraries

Also part of the color palette:

- Ni‘ihau - White (*Pupu Shells*)
- Kaho‘olawe - Gray (*Hinahina* - *Native Beach Heliotrope*)

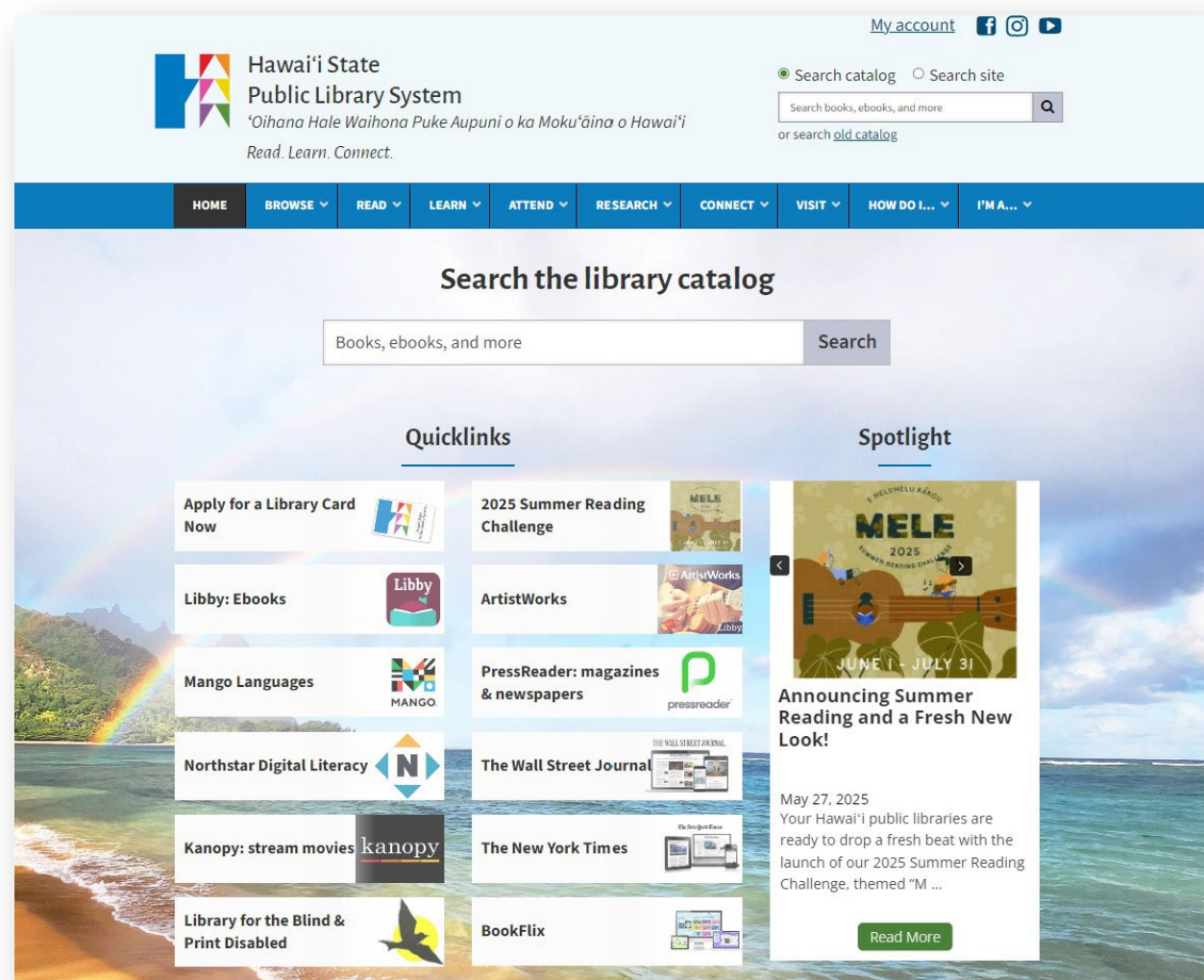


New Cards are Biodegradable

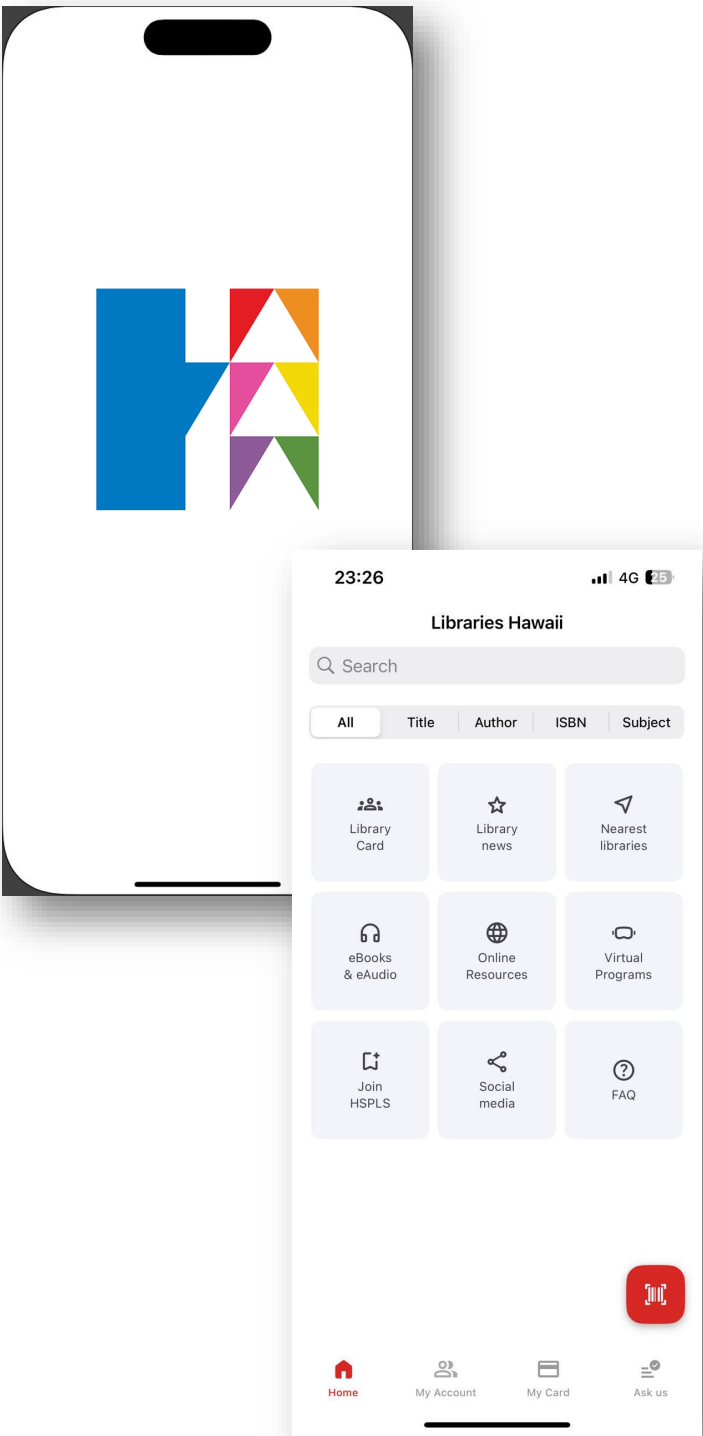


Digital Resources Updated

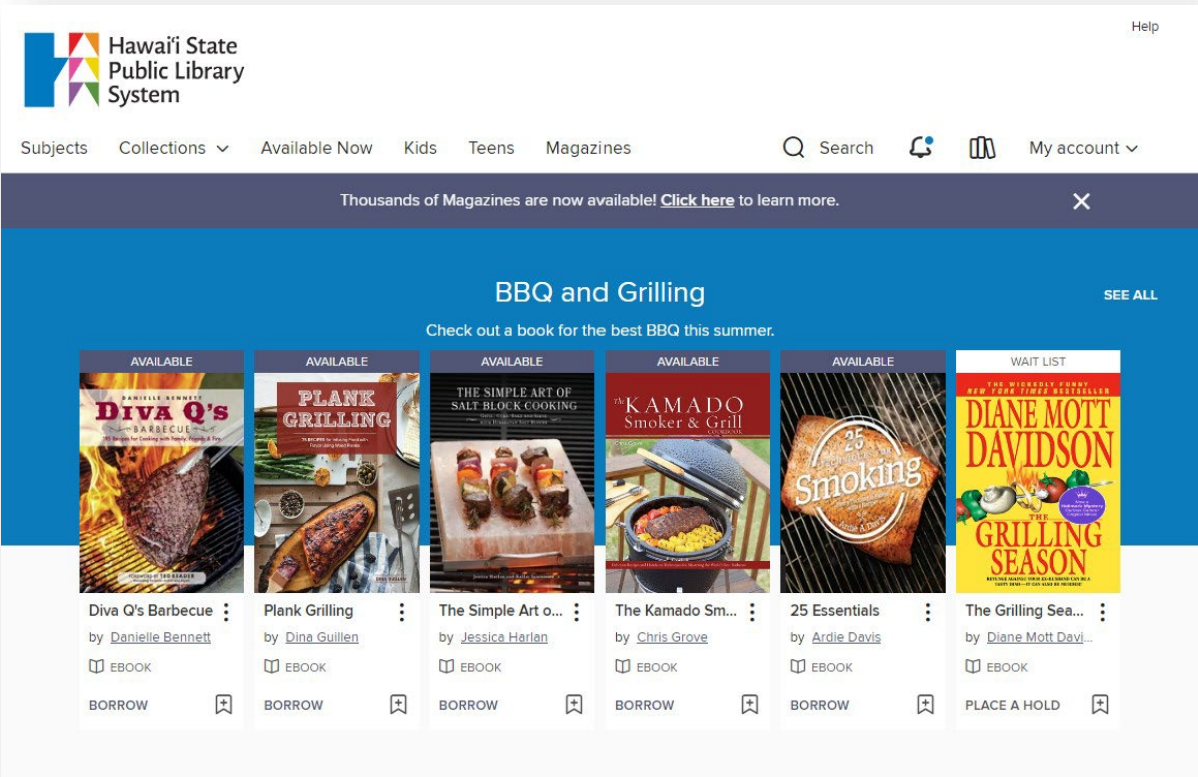
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HSPLS APP



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Connect with Us!



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Mahalo!

