

What is a Residency?

Did you know that Honolulu Theatre for Youth (HTY) provides the largest number of artists-in-the-schools programs in the state?

HTY Teaching Artists visit classrooms throughout Hawai'i providing drama residencies for schools and professional development for educators.

In the 2023-2024 School Year

- 35 schools participated HTY Residencies (57% of these were Title I Schools)
 - HTY Teaching Artists led 1,977 sessions in classrooms on O'ahu, Maui, and Hawai'i Island
 - Drama residencies served 3,531 students
 - 449 Educators participated in Professional Development sessions led by HTY Teaching Artists



Inspiring Hawai'i's Keiki for 70 Years!



HTY Residencies improve focus, build confidence, and enrich the classroom experience for students.

“Drama class made me feel more confident and creative.”

“It was super fun! I could do it even though I can’t read or write.”

“I liked working with lots of different friends in class.”

HTY Teaching Artists support educators with individually tailored curriculum and innovative methods to make a difference in the classroom.

“I enjoyed watching the joy the artist brought out in the students. Learning should be fun and students should be able to create and express themselves. It was VERY inspiring!”

“The residency allowed students to use their imaginations. It also promoted SEL and gave students confidence. The students learned to cooperate and work with others to accomplish a task.”

“Learning drama teaching activities/strategies allowed me to gain new insight, techniques, and resources that I can directly apply in my classroom.”

“Your dedication to drama education has enriched my teaching skills, and the positive impact on my students is evident in their newfound love for creativity and improved teamwork. I look forward to implementing strategies learned in my future teaching.”