This thesis examines the implications of genealogical connections to blood and place (genealogy and land), as a prerequisite to self-determination and nation building. Particularly, how her identity is grounded by ancestral land tenure and established genealogical connections to the `ili of `Ioleka`a, a kuleana land parcel located in He`e`ia on the island of O`ahu. This narrative is a personal mapping project that establishes not only her ties to this physical place, but chronicles the multi-generational connection to this locus.