



Lori Tsugawa Whaley entertains and informs as she brings ancient Japanese folk tales to life with her animated style of storytelling. Lori is a third generation Japanese American author, professional keynote speaker and life coach.

Stories include:

The Singing Turtle A humorous story with a great moral lesson. Two brothers, who are complete opposites, care for their aging mother. A singing turtle unexpectedly arrives on the scene, and exposes the true characters of the brothers.

The Mouse Bride Father Mouse and his family reside in the Emperor's Palace. It is time for his daughter, Chuko, to marry, and he decides only the greatest will be acceptable for her husband. Father Mouse is surprised and humbled when the perfect mate for Chuko is revealed.

Maneki Neko A delightful tale of a poor monk and the cat he befriended. Today, Maneki Neko (typically a ceramic replica) is found in shops and homes for good luck and fortune.

The White Hare of Inaba Long ago, when all the animals could talk, a white hare lived in the province of Inaba in Japan, but his original home was on the island of Oki. The story tells of his desire to return to Oki, across the sea, and his clever scheme devised to fulfill his wish.

The Two Frogs The Osaka frog and the Kyoto frog desired to visit each other's place because 'the grass is always greener on the other side.' In the end, they believed that Osaka and Kyoto, which are as different to look at as two towns can be, were as alike as two peas.

Monkey-Dance and Sparrow-Dance An old woodcutter and wife learn the origin of the graceful geisha dancers, and the manly Kabuki actors in this humorous and delightful folk tale. Both young and old will be entertained!



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