

Lei Lehua

Lyrics by Kalikolihau Paik

Music by Mark Yamanaka

Ola nō 'o Hawai'i
I ka lei lehua
Ka wehi o Keawe
Lei ho'ōla o ka 'āina

Līhau mai nei kāua
I ke Kanilehua
Pulu nā lihilihi weo
Ho'opūnono i ka uka

He punahele nō 'oe
A ka nui manu
Mai Ha'eha'e linolino
A i ka mole 'olu o Lehua

Lei i ka nani mae 'ole
No nā kau a kau
He leo aloha kēia
A mau loa aku nō

Hawai'i lives, indeed
In the lehua garland
The adornment of Keawe
Life-giving lei of the land

We are freshened together
In the Kanilehua rain
Your crimson petals moist
Gorgeously reddening the uplands

You are a favorite, indeed
Of the multitude of birds
From brightly splendid Ha'eha'e
To the pleasant foundations of Lehua Island

I am wreathed in your never-fading beauty
Forever and ever
This is an expression of love
And it remains