

WAI O KE ANIANI

Key of G Major

Performance Notes: Many of the verses are very similar with only the flower name changed. Most substitute “tuberose” as the flower in the first verse. Some sing the Hui as a round with the male voices repeating the verse melody in the background and the female voices and male falsetto voices singing the hui melody.

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Wai O Ke Aniani (Crystal Water)

Traditional

G

| E aloha a`e ana | wau lā |

I'll remember you

D⁷

G

G⁷

| Aloha ku`u pua | tuberose lā |

My love for the tuberose

C

G

(`ilima) flower

| He moani ke `ala i ka | poli lā |

Windblown perfume

D⁷

G

to the heart

| `Uheuhene i ka wai `oia | pua |

Rejoicing in the nectar

of the flower

HUI:

G

| Hu`i au konikoni |

I'm cold and tingling,

| I ka wai konikoni |

In the tingling water

D⁷

G

G⁷

| Wai hu`ihu`i o ke | aniani |

Cold, crystal water

TAG:

C

G

| Hu`i au | i ka wai |

I am chilled by the waters

D⁷

G

| Wai hu`ihu`i o ke | aniani |

Cold, crystal water

Ua la`i nō ke `ala

Peaceful is the fragrance

I ka liko o ka pua pîkake

O pikake flower buds

`O ka noe a ka ua li`ili`i

In the mist of fine rain

Ka `uhene a ka wai i ka `ili *In the happy sound of water over stones*

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Traditional

`O ka noe a ka ua li`ili`i *The mist and fine rain*
I ka uka o Kā`ilikahi *In the hills of Kā`ilikahi*
Ho`okahi pua nani o ka liko *The most beautiful flower bud*
Ka`onohi wai ānuenuē *A patch of rainbow water*

E aloha a`e ana wau lā *I'll remember you*
Aloha ku`u pua ka`ilima lā *My love for the tuberose (`ilima) flower*
He moani ke `ala i ka poli lā *Windblown perfume to the heart*
`Uheuhene i ka wai `oia pua *Rejoicing in the nectar of the flower*

E aloha a`e ana wau lā *I'll remember you*
Aloha ku`u pua kenikeni lā *My love for the puakenikeni flower*
He moani ke `ala i ka poli lā *Windblown perfume to the heart*
`Uheuhene i ka wai `oia pua *Rejoicing in the nectar of the flower*

E aloha a`e ana wau lā *I'll remember you*
Aloha ku`u pua lei aloha lā *My love for the precious lei of flowers*
He moani ke `ala i ka poli lā *Windblown perfume to the heart*
`Uheuhene i ka wai `oia pua *Rejoicing in the nectar of the flower*

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Source: (huapala.org) Often called Wai Hu`ihu`i O Ke Aniani, this song describes the cold mountain water of Ke Aniani, a ridge in Moanalua Valley and Kāilikahi, a heiau in Kahalu`u, O`ahu. Translator unknown.

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