

WAIPI`O

Words and Music by Mekia Kealaka`i, George Allen, Charles Hopkins, as performed by The Surfers

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F B^b F (F⁷) B^b
Beyond the rainbow --- beside a friendly sea
C⁷ B^b F

There's an island --- they call Hawai`i
B^b F F⁷ B^b
When it calls to you --- you must go there
D⁷ G⁷ C⁷ F

Beyond the rainbow --- to old Hawai`i

F B^b F (F⁷) B^b
He inoa ke i a --- no Waipi'o
This is a song praising Waipi'o
C⁷ B^b F

'O ka Hale --- lauokeykoa
And the house, Halelauokekoa
B^b F F⁷ B^b

I pu i a --- i ke a la
Billed with fragrance of the flowers
D⁷ G⁷ C⁷ F

Ona o na --- i ka ihu'
So sweet and welcoming to behold

Some credit this mele to George Allen, others to Charles Hopkins, but all agree Mekia Kealakai co-composed this mele. Written for Irene Kahalelauokekoa Holloway, the daughter of John Papa I`i, and the family home at Waipi`o, Ewa, O`ahu. John I`i was an attendant to Kauikeouli, son of Kamehameha Nui who became

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