

# nā mele hawai'i

Jordan Sramek, Series Editor

## **Hawai'i Aloha**

words by Lorenzo Lyons

music by James McGranahan

arr. Jordan Sramek

# ROSE PUBLICATIONS

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**Sources:**

Ira D. Sankey, James McGranahan, George C. Stebbins, eds. *Gospel Hymns No. 4*. N.Y.: Biglow & Main, 1881.

Samuel H. Elbert and Noelani Mahoe, eds. *Nā Mele Hawai‘i i Nei: 101 Hawaiian Songs*. Honolulu: U of Hawaii Press, 1970.

**About the source / general notes on genre:**

Rev. Lorenzo Lyons (also known as “Makua Laiana”) arrived as a missionary in 1832, became fluent in Hawaiian at an astonishing speed, and translated more than 900 Christian hymns. While both the music and text of this piece appeared earlier, the first mention of their pairing appeared in the December 11, 1886, issue of the Hawaiian newspaper *Ka Nupepa Kuokoa*. In a brief tribute following Lyons’ death, Rev. Enoka Semaia Timoteo, pastor of O’ahu’s Waialua Hawaiian Church, shared the full hymn text along with a reference to “G. H. IV No. 18”—“I Left It All With Jesus” by James McGranahan in the collection noted above.

With its powerfully nationalistic text, extolling the virtues of the Hawaiian landscape and its resilient people, this hymn has become one of the most treasured expressions of love for Hawaiians everywhere.

**Text:** Lorenzo Lyons “Makua Laiana” (1807–1886)

**Music:** James McGranahan (1840–1907)

**Editorial notes:**

The English translation, by Samuel Elbert and Noelani Mahoe, appears above the staff.

In verse 3, the final word of line 3 has changed over the decades of tradition. The original “ou,” which appears in the newspaper article below, has become “mau” (always, ever).

**Performance suggestions:**

The second verse may also be sung by soloists.

**Duration:** 3m 45s

The Rose Ensemble’s recording, *Nā Mele Hawai‘i: A Rediscovery of Hawaiian Vocal Music*, is available on most download and streaming platforms.

**Nā Himeni Hui.**

E na Kula Sabati o ka mokupuni o Oahu eia mai na Himeni Hui no ka Hoike o na Kula Sabati ma Wai-alua, ma ka ‘āla “Happy New Year.”

1. “E Hawaii e kuu one hanau-ē” G. H. IV No. 18
2. “Mele makahiki hou.” “Hae Hoenani” aoao 13
3. “Mele Sabati.” “Haku Ao nani.” aoao 18
4. “He Home mau ae.” “Hoku Ao nani.” “164

Eia iho malalo nei ka ote‘o o ka Himeni mua i hakuia e ka Makua Rev. I. Laiana, mamua o kona ha‘a ana.

1.

E Hawaii‘e, kuu one hanau-e  
 Kuu Home kulaiwi nei  
 Olino au i na pono lani ou  
 E Hawaii aloha-e  
*Hui.* E hauoli e na opio o Hawaii nei  
 Oli-e, oli-e  
 Mai na aheabe makani e pa mai nei  
 Mau ke aloha no Hawaii.

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E hai mai i kou mau kini lani-e  
 Kou mau kupa aloha e Hawaii  
 Na mea olino kamahaona luna mai  
 E Hawaii aloha-e  
*Hui.* E hauoli &c.

3.

Na ke Akua e malama mai ia ce  
 Kou mau kualono aloha nei  
 Kou mau kahawai olinolino ou  
 Kou mau mala pua-e.  
*Hui.* E hauoli &c.

E na Kahu, na Kumu, a me na hau-mana Kula Sabati; ke paipai ia aku nei kakou, e liuliu, a e hoomakaukau no ka hana e hiki mai ana e pono ai ka hanauna opio. E. S. TIMOTEO.

**No. 18 I Left it all with Jesus.**

“Casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you.”—1 PET. 5: 7.

Mrs. E. H. WILKIE. ARR. JAMES MCGRANAHAN.

1. Oh, I left it all with Je-sus, long a-go; long a-go; All my  
 2. Oh, I leave it all with Je-sus, for He knows, for He knows, How to  
 3. Oh, I leave it all with Je-sus, day by day; day by day; Faith can  
 4. Leave, oh, leave it all with Je-sus, drooping soul; drop-ping soul; Tell not

sins I brought Him and my woe; When by faith I saw Him bleeding on the  
 steal the bitter from life's woes; How to gild the tear of sorrow with His  
 firmly trust Him, come what may; Hope has dropp'd for aye her anchor, found her  
 half thy story, but the whole; World on worlds are hanging ever on His  
 but the whole;

tree; on the tree; Heard His still small whisper “‘Tis for thee!” “‘Tis for thee!”  
 smile, with His smile, Make the des-ert gar-den bloom awhile, bloom a-while.  
 rest; found her rest: In the calm, sure ha-ven of his breast, of His breast  
 hand, on His hand; Life and death are wait-ing His command, His com-mand.

CHORUS.

From my weary heart the burden roll'd a-way: Happy day! happy day!  
 Then with all my weakness leaning on His might, All is light! all is light!  
 Love esteems it joy of heaven to a-bide At His side! at His side!  
 Yet His tender, loving mercy makes thee room: Oh, come home! oh, come home!

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**I Left it all with Jesus.—Concluded.**

From my weary heart the burden roll'd away; Happy day! happy day!  
 Then with all my weakness leaning on His might, All is light! all is light!  
 Love esteems it joy of heaven to a-bide, At His side! at His side!  
 Yes, His tender loving mercy makes thee room, Oh, come home! Oh, come home!

# Hawai'i Aloha

SATB

Lorenzo Lyons "Makua Laiana" (1807–1886)

James McGranahan (1840–1907)

arr. Jordan Sramek

ed. Daniel Mahraun

With devotion (♩ = c. 58)  
*mp* solo (*ad lib.*)

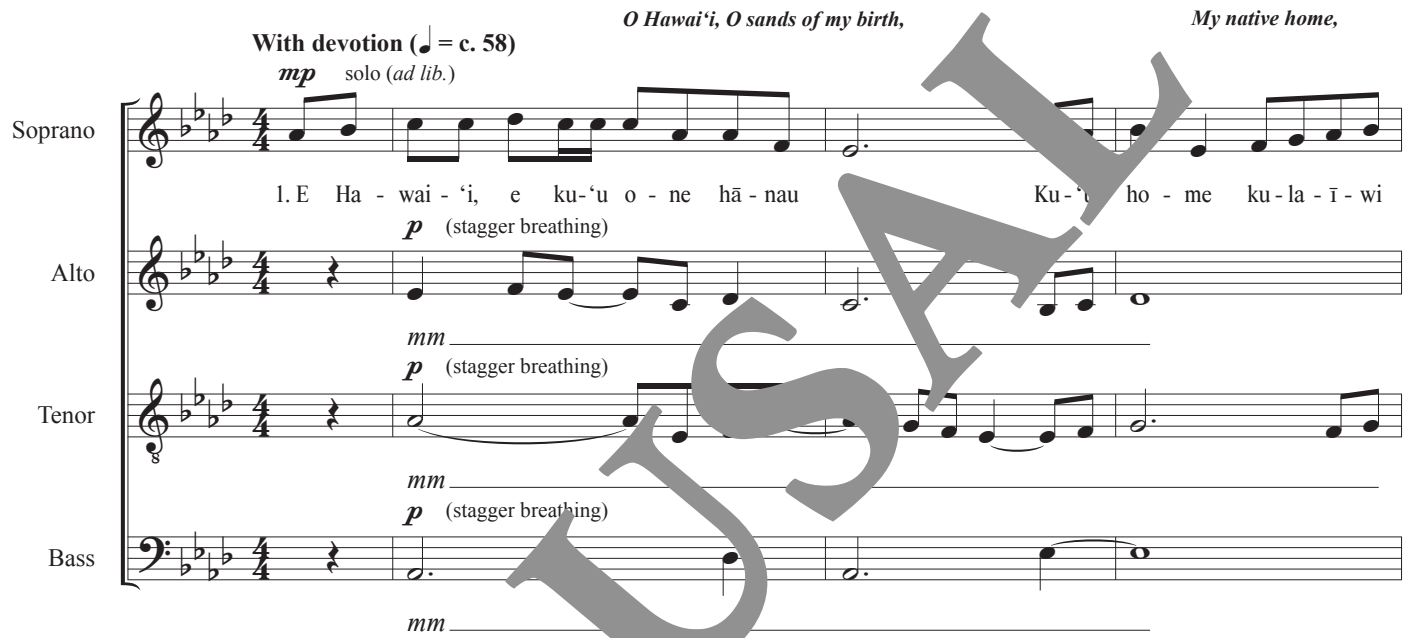
*O Hawai'i, O sands of my birth,* *My native home,*

Soprano  
1. E Ha - wai - 'i, e ku-'u o - ne hā - nau Ku-'u ho - me ku - la - ī - wi

Alto  
*p* (stagger breathing)  
*mm*

Tenor  
*p* (stagger breathing)  
*mm*

Bass  
*p* (stagger breathing)  
*mm*



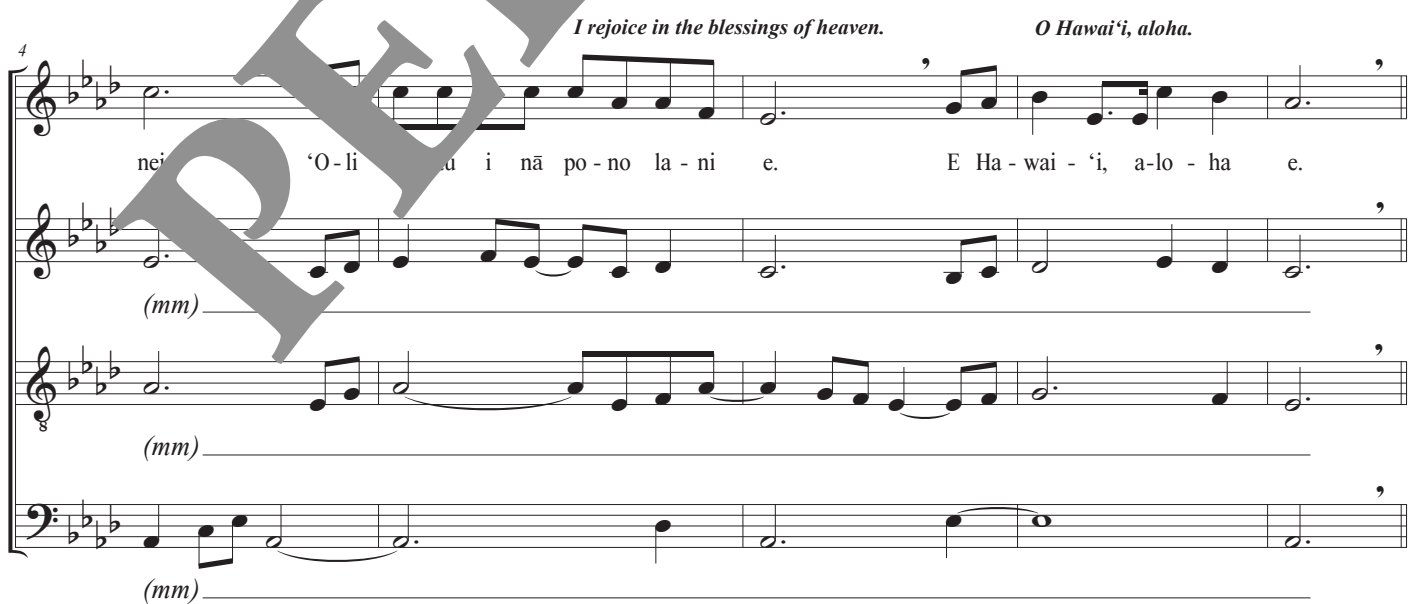
*I rejoice in the blessings of heaven.* *O Hawai'i, aloha.*

4  
nei 'O-li'u i nā po - no la - ni e. E Ha - wai - 'i, a - lo - ha e.

(*mm*)

(*mm*)

(*mm*)



*Happy youth of Hawai'i**Rejoice! Rejoice!***HUI [REFRAIN]***mf* (last time *f*) tutti

E hau - 'o - li e nā 'ō - pi - o\_o Ha-wai-'i ne - i 'O-li e! 'O-li

*mf* (last time *f*)

E hau - 'o - li e nā 'ō - pi - o\_o Ha-wai-'i ne - i 'O-li e! 'O-li

*mf* (last time *f*)

E hau - 'o - li e nā 'ō - pi - o\_o Ha-wai-'i ne - i 'O-li e! 'O-li

*mf* (last time *f*)

E hau - 'o - li e nā 'ō - pi - o\_o Ha-wai-'i ne - i 'O-li e! 'O-li e! 'O-li

*Gentle breezes blow*

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e! Mai nā a - he - ah - e ma - ka - ni e pā mai

e! Mai nā a - he - ah - e ma - ka - ni e pā mai

e! Mai nā a - he - ah - e ma - ka - ni e pā mai

e! 'O-li, 'o - li e! Mai nā a - he - ah - e ma - ka - ni e pā mai

*Love always for Hawai'i.*

last time: *molto rit.*

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nei Mau ke a - lo - ha, nō Ha - wai - 'i. \_\_\_\_\_

nei Mau ke a - lo - ha, nō Ha - wai - 'i. \_\_\_\_\_

nei, pā mai nei Mau ke a - lo - ha, nō Ha - wai - 'i. \_\_\_\_\_

nei, pā mai nei Mau ke a - lo - ha, nō Ha - wai - 'i. \_\_\_\_\_

*May your divine gifts speak,*

*mf*

2. E ha - 'i ma - i kou mau ki - ni la - ni e, Kou mau

2. E ha - 'i ma - i kou mau ki - ni la - ni e, Kou mau

*mf*  
2. E ha - 'i ma - i kou mau ki - ni la - ni e, la - ni e, Kou mau

*mf*  
2. E ha - 'i ma - i kou mau ki - ni la - ni e, la - ni e, Kou mau

19 *Your loving people, O Hawai'i.* *The holy light from above.*

ku - pa\_a - lo - ha, e Ha - wa - 'i, Nā mea 'ō - li - no ka - ma - ha - 'o nā lu - na

ku - pa\_a - lo - ha, e Ha - wa - 'i, Nā mea 'ō - li - no ka - ma - ha - 'o nā lu - na

ku - pa\_a - lo - ha, e Ha - wa - 'i, e Ha - wa - 'i, Nā mea 'ō - li - no ka - ma - ha - 'o nā lu - na

ku - pa\_a - lo - ha, e Ha - wa - 'i, e Ha - wa - 'i, Nā mea 'ō - li - no ka - ma - ha - 'o nā lu - na

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mai, E Ha - wai - 'i, a - lo - ha e.

mai. E Ha - wai - 'i, a - lo - ha e.

mai, lu - na mai. E Ha - wai - 'i, a - lo - ha e.

mai, lu - na mai. E Ha - wai - 'i, a - lo - ha e.

*God protects you,*

*f*

3. Nā ke A - ku - a e mā - la - ma mai i - ā 'o - e, Kou mau

*f*

3. Nā ke A - ku - a e mā - la - ma mai i - ā 'o - e, Kou mau

*f*

3. Nā ke A - ku - a e mā - la - ma mai i - ā e, mai i - ā 'o - e, Kou mau

*f*

3. Nā ke A - ku - a e mā - la - ma mai i - ā 'o - e, mai i - ā 'o - e, Kou mau

*Your beloved rīges,**Your ever glistening streams,*

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ku lo - no a - lo - ha nei, Kou mau ka - ha - wai 'ō - li - no - li - no

ku - a - lo - no a - lo - ha nei, Kou mau ka - ha - wai 'ō - li - no - li - no

ku - a - lo - no a - lo - ha nei, a - lo - ha nei, Kou mau ka - ha - wai 'ō - li - no - li - no

ku - a - lo - no a - lo - ha nei, a - lo - ha nei, Kou mau ka - ha - wai 'ō - li - no - li - no

*Your beautiful flower gardens.*

To Refrain

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mau, Kou mau mā - la pu - a na - ni e.

mau, Kou mau mā - la pu - a na - ni e.

mau, -li - no mau, Kou mau mā - la pu - a na - ni e.

mau, -li - no mau, Kou mau mā - la pu - a na - ni e.

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<b>Vowels:</b>			
<b>Hawaiian Letter</b>	<b>IPA</b>	<b>English example</b>	
a	[ʌ]	“sun”	Notes: The macron (ˉ), called kaha ʻō or mekona, over a vowel denotes both length and syllabic stress. Only with the letters “a” and “e” does it alter the pronunciation. The pronunciation of the macron-less “e” is less predictable. A speaker of Hawaiian should be consulted when possible.
ā	[ɑ]	“father”	
e	[ɛ] or [e]	“dead” or “day” (no diphthong)	
ē	[e]	“day” (no diphthong)	
i / ī	[i]	“eat”	
o / ō	[o]	first syllable of “obey” (no diphthong)	
u / ū	[u]	“soon”	

### Diphthongs and Vowel Combinations:

Since the Hawaiian language contains no successive consonants, vowels predominate. Hawaiian diphthongs—ai, ae, ao, au, ei, eu, oi, and ou—place the stress and length on the first vowel sound. All other vowel combinations place the length on the second. Regardless, great care should be taken to fully pronounce each vowel. In such vowel combinations, “i” and “u” may occasionally be treated as glides [j] and [w], respectively. Examples include the borrowed names “Iesu” [jɛsu] and “Iehova” [jehova].

<b>Consonants:</b>			
<b>Hawaiian Letter</b>	<b>IPA</b>	<b>English equivalent</b>	
h	[h]	“h”	Notes: The pronunciation of the letter “w” is often unpredictable; a speaker of Hawaiian should be consulted when possible. The ‘okina, “‘”, is considered a consonant and denotes a glottal stop. Because texts printed before the 1970s generally do not include this letter, Dr. Amy Ku‘uleiahola Stillman has edited the language in our editions. The letters “t” [t] and “s” [s] sometimes occur in borrowed words, such as “Mesia” [mesia].
k	[k]	“k”	
l	[l]	“l”	
m	[m]	“m”	
n	[n]	“n”	
p	[p]	“p”	
w – after i or ī	[w]	“v”	
w – after o or u	“w”	“w”	
w – after a or initial	[v] or [w]*	* choice consistent through piece	
‘	[ʻ]	hyphen in “uh-oh”	

Failing consultation with a speaker of Hawaiian, we recommend the following resources:

- The Rose Ensemble’s recording, *Nā Mele Hawai‘i: A Rediscovery of Hawaiian Vocal Music*, available on most streaming platforms.
- the Hawaiian dictionaries available electronically at <https://wehewehe.org>.
- Duane Richard Karna, ed. *The Use of the International Phonetic Alphabet in the Choral Rehearsal*. Lanham, Md.: Scarecrow Press, 2012.