

Aloha Kaua'i

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(love) pick pua 2 hds Rt) (pick pua 2 hds L)(R-up, L-open, p/u)
Aloha Mokihana pua o Kaua'i
Sway R-L hela R & L V-R V-L

(L-up, LR-twine) (2-hds pick up lei, lift & shoq w then place over head & shoulders)(repeat)
Wili 'ia me ka maile lau li'ili'i (maile li'ili'i)
Point Rt toe V-R V-L sway R-L dipping down/up

(2 ds out & to face p/o) (2-hds noes & out p/d) (Love) (2-hds point L)
He u'i onaona he aloha wau ia'oe
Lele 'uehe Rt V-R Sway L-R V-L

(out & to self) (2 ds point L) (L@ h ear, R-reach out & bring to heart & stack)
Me ia'u me 'oe i ka pu'u wai
V-R V-L Sway R-L-R-L stepping forward on first counts

2-hsd mouth/out, p/u, then 2-hds open from self) (2-hds low on Rt, p/d)
Aloha nō o Kaua'i
Lele 'uehe R & L Around island 7 counts going toward L

(hds up & out p/u reaching) (beckon from L & R) (L@ heart, R-open p/u) (repeat)
Luana ho'okipa malihini
On 8th count R & to floor on one knee coming up, V-R & then step bk L & hold

(L-up, R-mount/out p/d) (L-up, Rt-open famous) (mouth/out 2-hds, bow) (L-up, R-open, p/u)
Puana kaulana ka inoa o Kaua'i
V-R back V-L Pt Rt & bow V-R

(L-across chest) (2-hds open high) (then down to either side & circle all around)
Ha'aheo he nani hiwahiwa
V-L V-R Sway L-R then V-L

Ending:

(L-up, R-open p/u) (2 hds open high) with p/u 2 hds show to Rt slowly)
Kaua'i, he nani nō ka 'oi
V-R V-L pt. R

V-R 1X then step back & R-mouth/out & bow slowly

(Choreography by Bella Richards)

Translation:

Beloved Mokihana, flower of Kaua'i
Entwined with the small leaf maile
How lovely and fragrant, I so love you
You are always cherished in my heart

Love indeed for Kaua'i
Who welcomes graciously the visitor
The story is told of the fame of Kaua'i
Proud is your beauty and without flaw

Kaua'i, you are indeed the very best!

Maiki Aiu composed this song as a thank you gift for the Malina family and their home, Luana. It expresses her gratitude for the hospitality she had enjoyed during her stay in their home in Kaua'i.