He Aloha Mele

Words & Music by: Iva Kinimaka (circa 1979)
ALBUM: Just Singing It All / ARTIST: Iva Kinimaka

Squibb from Honolulu Star-Bulletin (Aug 1999): Iva wrote and recorded this song for his daughter, Chamonix, in the early 1980s; Chamonix, as of Aug. 1999, was a 21-year-old senior at San Diego State, planning to go to medical school.

Vamp (2x):  C  F  C  G7  (pause)
            [4,2,3,1]  [4,2,3,1]  [4,2,3,1]  [4,2,3,1]  (pick: 4, 2, 3, 1)

1.  C          F  C
   He aloha mele (he aloha mele), pretty hoku (pretty hoku)
       F
   Sending down a special little twinkle for your brown eyes (brown eyes)
       C
   Your pretty lovely brown eyes (brown eyes)
       G7  F
   In the still of the night, all the stars are shining bright
       C  G7
   For your brown eyes (brown eyes)

2.  C          F  C
   He aloha mele (he aloha mele), e lohe i kamakani (e lohe i kamakani)
       F
   Gentle breeze whispering haunting melodies to you softly (softly)
       C
   Whisper to you softly (softly)
       G7  F
   Hear the winds through the trees singing sweet harmony
       C  G7  C7
   To you softly (softly)
Hui.
C7          F
With the grace of her hands she can tell you that
C
A star only glitters at the setting of the sunshine
C7          F
With the grace of her hands she can tell you that
C          G7
The wind only blows where no mountain side is there to touch her (touch her)
G7          C          F
Now there’s the sun and the moon talking stories telling tales about a new day (new day)
C
It’s gonna be a nice day (nice day)
G7          F
Now the moon is shining bright and the sun will rise again
C          G7
To start a new day (new day)

Tag.
Repeat Verse 1, then:
G7          F          C          G7
Hear the winds through the trees singing sweet harmony to you softly (softly)
G7          F
Now the moon is shining bright and the sun will rise again
C          G7
To start a new day (new day)
C
He aloha mele (he aloha mele)