

Inspired by Israel Kamakawiwo'ole

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD

for S.A.T.B. voices, a cappella
with optional piano, ukulele or guitar, and SoundTrax*

Performance time: approx. 3:15

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Gently, with a steady groove (♩ = ca. 76) (swing the eighth notes)

The musical score is for a four-part vocal harmony (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and an optional piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 2/2. The tempo is marked as 'Gently, with a steady groove' with a quarter note equal to approximately 76 beats per minute, and the instruction to 'swing the eighth notes'. The score consists of two systems of staves. The first system includes parts for Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass, each with a piano (p) dynamic and a crescendo (cresc.) leading to a 'poco rit.' (poco ritardando) section. The lyrics 'Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo' are written under the notes. The second system includes a piano (optional) part, marked 'N.C.' (No Chords) and 'p', with a crescendo and 'poco rit.' section. The piano part features a simple harmonic accompaniment.

* Also available for S.S.A.B. (48306).
SoundTrax CD available (48307). Visit alfred.com for digital scores and audio.

PERFORMANCE NOTES:

Soprano and alto parts may be traded at the director's discretion.
If desired for balance, substitute "Doo-doon-doo" for "Aloha" throughout.
Chord symbols are provided for optional ukulele or guitar.

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5 *a tempo*
mf

doo. _____

a tempo
mf *decresc.*

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

a tempo
mf *decresc.*

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

a tempo
mf *decresc.*

Doo doo doo doo.

C

a tempo
mf *decresc.*



9 *mp*

Trees of green and red ros - es too,

mp

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

mp

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

mp

Doo doo doo doo.

Em/G F/A C/G

mp



4

13

I watch_ them bloom for me and you, and_ I

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

Doo doo doo doo.

F/A C/G E7/G# Am

17

think to my - self, what a won - der - ful

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, oo, what a won - der - ful,

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, oo, what a won - der - ful,

Doo doo doo, what a won - der - ful

F/A Am G C/G G7

21 world, a won - der - ful world. *mf* *decresc.*

world, a won - der - ful world. Well, I see

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha. *mf* *decresc.*

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha. *mf* *decresc.*

world, a won - der - ful world. *mf* *decresc.*

Am Fmaj7 F Fmaj7 G(sus4)

25 *mp*

skies of blue and I see clouds of white, and the

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha. *mp*

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha. *mp*

Doo doo doo doo.

C Em/G F/A C/G

6

29

bright - ness of day, the dark of night, — and I

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

Doo doo doo doo.

F/A C/G E7/G# Am

33

think to my - self, what a won - der - ful

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, oo, what a won - der - ful,

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, oo, what a won - der - ful,

Doo doo doo, — what a won - der - ful

F/A Am G C/G G7

37 world, a won - der - ful world. *mf*

world. *mf* *mp*

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, won - der - ful world. The

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, won - der - ful world. *mf*

world, a won - der - ful world. *mf*

C F/C C F/C C *mf* *decresc.* *mp*

41 *mp*

The col - ors, the rain - bow, the col - ors,

col - ors of the rain - bow, so pret - ty in the sky, - *mp*

The col - ors, the rain - bow, the col - ors, *mp*

Doo doo doo

G C/G

8

44

the rain - bow. The fac - es, the peo - ple,
— are al - so on the fac - es — of
the rain - bow. The fac - es, the peo - ple,
doo. Doo doo doo

Chords: C, G

47

49

the fac - es, the peo - ple. Friends shak - ing hands, sing-ing,
peo-ple pass - ing by. — I see friends shak - ing hands, sing-ing,
the fac - es, the peo - ple. Friends shak - ing hands, sing-ing,
doo doo. I see friends shak - ing hands, sing-ing,

Chords: C/G, C, F, C/E

51

“How do you do.” They’re real - ly say - ing

“How do you do, how do you do.” They’re say - ing

“How do you do, how do you do.” They’re say - ing

“How do you do, how do you do.” They’re say - ing

F C/E F C/E

55

mp *cresc.* “I, I love you.” I hear

mp *cresc.* “I love _ you, I love _ you, I love _ you, yes, I do.”

mp *cresc.* “I love _ you, I love _ you, I love _ you, yes, I do.”

mp *cresc.* “I love _ you, I love _ you, I love _ you, yes, I do.”

Dm⁷ Dm⁷(sus4) G C/G G⁷

10

59 *f* *decresc.*

ba - bies cry and I watch — them grow.

f *decresc.*

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

f *decresc.*

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

f *decresc.*

Doo doo doo doo.

f *decresc.*

C Em⁷ F C/E

63 *mp* *opt. slide*

They'll learn — much more than we'll know, and — I

mp

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

mp

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha.

mp

Doo doo doo doo doo.

mp

F C/G E⁷/G[#] Am

67

think to my - self, what a won - der - ful

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, oo, what a won - der - ful,

A - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, oo, what a won - der - ful,

Doo doo doo, what a won - der - ful

Dm⁷ Dm⁹ G C/G G⁷

71

1. world, a won - der - ful world. *mf*

world. *mf* *mp*

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, won - der - ful world. The

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, won - der - ful world. *mf*

world, a won - der - ful world. *mf*

1. C F C F/C C *mf* *decresc.* *mp*

12

75 *mp* *mf*

world, what a won - der - ful

mp *mf*

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, won - der - ful,

mp *mf*

a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, a - lo - ha, won - der - ful,

mp *mf*

world, a won - der - ful world, what a won - der - ful

2. *C* *F* *G* *C/G* *G⁷*

mp *mf*

79 *mp* *decresc. e rit.* *slowly* *p*

world. Doo doo doo doo doo. doo.

mp *decresc. e rit.* *slowly* *p*

world. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo. doo.

mp *decresc. e rit.* *slowly* *p*

world. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo. doo.

mp *decresc. e rit.* *slowly* *p*

world. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo. doo.

N.C. *C*

mp *decresc. e rit.* *slowly* *p*