

Our Nation's Dawning

Composed by George Carlton Sampson

Come, come away, hail to the day
This is our land's great morning
Birds in the trees waft to the breeze
Songs of our nation's dawning.
Hummingbird bright, lend your delight,
Ibis your scarlet feathers;
Kiskadee call, summon them all
This is a day of wonders!

CHORUS:

*O land of fairest beauty
We pledge our lives to duty
And vow this day
And vow this day
And vow this day to serve thee*

Flambouyant gay, make glad the day
Colourful blooms resplendent
Hibiscus hedge witness our pledge
To honour this day transcendent.
Palm trees on high reach to the sky
While bells aloft are pealing
Man, bird and beast, earth, sky and sea,
Raise chants of joy excelling.

CHORUS

Three sister hills, list to the trills
Echoing to high heaven
And from the sea, the blue Caribee
Breezes will join the revel.
Fireflies bright, shine through the night:
Illumine our thanksgiving
Of this great day each heart can say
This is our Nation's Dawning!

CHORUS