

Wild Onion Grove, ADF Ritual of Praise to Mab, 2009

Pre-Ritual Activities

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| (A) | Pre-Ritual Briefing | Chris |
| (B) | Individual Meditations and Prayers | Congregation |
| (C) | Lighting the Sacred Fire(s) | _____ |

1st Phase: Starting the Rite and Establishing the Group Mind

Clear-cut Beginning: Consecration of Time

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| (1) | Musical Signal | _____ |
| (2) | Opening Prayer | Chris |

Consecration of Space & of Participants

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| (3) | The Processional/Sigil Marking | "We Approach the Sacred Grove" - _____ |
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**We approach the Sacred Grove, with hearts & minds & flesh & bone.
Join us now in ways of old, we have come home.**

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| (4) | Purification of Participants | _____ |
| (5) | Purification(s) of Site | _____ |
| (6) | Honoring the Earth-Mother | "O Earth Mother" - Chris |

Centering, Grounding & Merging

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| (7) | Grove Meditation | _____ |
| (8) | Unity Chant/Song | "Mothers and Fathers of Old" - _____ |

**From far beyond this mortal plain, Mothers and Fathers of old.
We pray that you return again, Mothers and Fathers of old.
To share with us the mysteries, and secrets long untold.
And the ancient ways we seek to reclaim, Mothers and Fathers of old.**

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| (9) | Specification of Ritual Purpose & Historical Precedent | _____ |
| (10) | Naming Deity of the Occasion & Reasons For Choice | _____ |

2nd Phase: Recreating the Cosmos & Preliminaries

Creating the Vertical Axis

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| (11) | Planting the Cosmic Tree | "By Fire and by Water" - ANNE |
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**By Fire and by Water, between the Earth and Sky,
We stand like the World Tree, rooted deep, crowned high.**

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(12) Evoking the GateKeeper

“Siúil Linn a Mhannanan” - _____

Shu-lin o wananan, Walk with us Mannanan.

Gaining Assistance & Preventing Interference

(14) Invoking the Bardic Deity(ies) _____

(15) Acknowledgment of the Outsiders _____

Filling Out the Cosmic Picture by Invoking...

(16a) Nature Spirits, Ancestors, Deities _____

O Nature Spirits,

You who dwell in wooded glens and shining lakes,
windswept deserts and majestic oceans,
Join us on this Shining Beltaine,
Bring us your passion and your joy of life.

O Ancestors,

Progenitors of our Clan and our thoughts,
Join us on this Shining Beltaine,
Bring us your experience and your wisdom.

O Mighty Ones,

Gods and Goddesses of many names and faces,
Join us on this Shining Beltaine,
Bring us your power and your awesome aspect.

(16b) Helpful Beings by Province/Function _____

Spirits and Beings of the Warriors, Producers and Scholars,
Join us on this Shining Beltaine,
Bring us your strength, your support and your knowledge.

(16c) Helpful Beings of the Three Worlds _____

Spirits and Beings of the Land, Sea and Sky,
Join us on this Shining Beltaine,
Lend us your all encompassing grace.

(17) Settling and Focusing

Chris

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3rd Phase: Major Sending to Deity/ies of the Occasion

(18) Descriptive Invocation of Deity of the Occasion Jeremy

Primary Power Raising

(19) Praise Offerings, Dance, Libations, etc. Congregation

(20) The Sacrifice _____

(21) Seeking the Omen of Return _____

4th Phase: Receiving and Using the Returned Blessings

Preparation for the Return

(24) Consecration Agreement Chris

Reception of Power from Deity of the Occasion

(25) Consecration and Sharing Chris

(26) Acceptance of Individual Blessings Congregation

(27) Reinforcement of Group Bonding

(28) Magickal Work

5th Phase: Unwinding and Ending the Ceremony

(29) Thanking of Entities Invited, in Reverse Order Deity: Jeremy

Three Worlds: _____

Provinces: _____

Helpful Beings: _____

Outsiders: _____

Bardic: _____

(30) Thanking the Gatekeeper & Closing the Gates Anne

(31) Affirmation of Past/Future Continuity and Success Chris

(32) Unmerging, Regrouping & Recentering - Meditation _____

Clear-cut Ending: Deconsecration of Time & Space

(34) Final Benediction Chris

(35) Announcement of End _____

(36) Dissolving the Sigil _____

(37) Musical Signal "Walk with Wisdom" - Chris

Walk with Wisdom, from this hallowed place.
Walk not with Sorrow, our roots shall 'ere embrace.
May Strength be your brother, and Honor be your friend,
And Luck be your lover, until we meet again

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Hal-an-tow

Hal-an-tow, jolly rumble-o
We were up long before the day, O
To welcome in the summer sun, to welcome in the May, O
For summer is a coming in and winter's gone away, O

Robin Hood and Little John, they both have gone to fair, O
And we shall to the merry green wood to hunt the buck and hare, O
Hal-an-tow ...

And where are all the Spaniards who made so great a boast, O?
They shall eat the feathered goose and we shall eat the roast, O
Hal-an-tow ...

Do not scorn to wear the horn that was the crest when you were born,
Your father's father wore it and your father wore it too.
Hal-an-tow ...

God bless Aunt Mary Moses and all her power and might, O
And send us peace in England, send peace by day and night, O

(Trad. Cornwall)

