Faerie Ritual

Ritual written* and led by Bev and Ray (Friday 26/10/07)

OPENING

CASTING THE CIRCLE.

We conjure this Circle of Power, that it will be a meeting place of love and joy and truth; a shield against all wickedness and evil; a boundary between men and the realms of the Mighty Ones; a rampart and protection that shall preserve and contain the power that we shall raise within it. Therefore we bless and consecrate you, in the name of the Faerie.

EAST:

We call upon the Powers of the East, Powers of Air, We thank you for sustaining our breath. Come Spring, come eye of hawk and owl, come morning, he welcome tonight to guard this Circle. Hail and Welcome.

NORTH:

We call upon the Powers of the North, Powers of Fire, We thank you for sustaining the dance of our lives. Come Summer, come hearth fire, come noontime, be welcome tonight to guard this Circle. Hail and Welcome.

WEST:

Powers of the West, Powers of Water, We thank you for sustaining our body. Come Autumn, come singing tide, come twilight, be welcome tonight to guard this Circle. Hail and Welcome.

SOUTH:

Powers of the South, Powers of Earth, We thank you for nourishing our bodies. Come Winter, come tree dweller earth dweller come midnight, he welcome tonight to guard this Circle. Hail and Welcome.

SPIRIT:

Powers of Spirit, Powers of the Centre. We thank you for sustaining our spirit, Hub of the Great Wheel, heart of the spiral, be welcome tonight to guard this Circle. Hail and Welcome.

God:

Oh great Merlin, scholar and wise one, with your cloak of feathers and staff so strong, we ask that you guide our way tonight, keeping us safe from all harm. Hail and Welcome.

Goddess:

Oh great Phosphoros, you who are the bringer of light that shines brightly in the night sky, we ask you to light our way tonight, keeping us safe from harm. Hail and Welcome.

Everyone sit or lie comfortably for the...

Chakra Bands Meditation

Make yourself comfortable, close your eyes and take several deep slow breaths. Now visualise the centre of the earth as a golden glowing ball of energy. Feel this energy move up towards you. Feel it enter the soles of your feet, moving up your legs, into your torso, down your arms and up and into the top of your head. Feel it cascade out of the top of your head and back down into the ground, anchoring your safely to the mother earth.

Imagine that you are on a path surrounded by a swirling mist. As you walk along this path the mist thins and you begin to see in the distance bands of coloured light rising up into the air. The path leads you to where the bands start, and you see that these bands are the colours of the Chakra, but you see that the path also ends at a steep drop and that you can see far below a large body of water. As you look down at the water you hear the sounds of movement behind you. You turn and see that it is your guides approaching you. You greet each other. They tell you that today they are taking you to the edge of the Faerie Realm and that this requires you to take a leap of faith.

They tell you to step into the red band of light, the one that matches the Root Chakra. You and your guides step into the red band of light and feel yourself moving upward slightly. You also notice that you are now the colour red, you feel the colour red, you taste the colour red, you hear the colour red. The colour red infuses all your senses and you feel your root chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be red.

Your guides tell you to now step up into the orange band of light, the one that matches the Naval Chakra, and again you feel yourself moving upward slightly. Now you notice that you are now the colour orange, you feel the colour orange, you taste the colour orange, you hear the colour orange. The colour orange infuses all your senses and you feel your naval chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be orange.

You and your guides now step up into the yellow band of light, the one that matches the Solar Plexus Chakra, and again you feel the upward movement. Now you notice that you are now the colour yellow, you feel the colour yellow, you taste the colour yellow, you hear the colour yellow. The colour yellow infuses all your senses and you feel your solar plexus chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be yellow.

Again you and your guides step upward, into the green band of light, the one that matches the Heart Chakra, and again you feel the familiar sense of moving upward. Now you notice that you are now the colour green, you feel the colour green, you taste the colour green, you hear the colour green. The colour green infuses all your senses and you feel your heart chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be green.

Again you step upward, now into the blue band of light, the one that matches the Throat Chakra, and you feel the familiar sense of moving upward. Now you notice that you are now the colour blue, you feel the colour blue, you taste the colour blue, you hear the colour blue. The colour blue infuses all your senses and you feel your throat chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be blue.

You and your guides now step upward into the indigo band of light, the one that matches the Brow Chakra, and you feel the familiar sense of moving upward. Now you notice that you are now the colour indigo, you feel the colour indigo, you taste the colour indigo, you hear the colour indigo.

The colour indigo infuses all your senses and you feel your brow chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be indigo.

Again you and your guides step upward, into the violet band of light, the one that matches the Crown Chakra, and again you feel the familiar sense of moving upward. Now you notice that you are now the colour violet, you feel the colour violet, you taste the colour violet, you hear the colour violet. The colour violet infuses all your senses and you feel your crown chakra opening. Take a few moments now to be violet.

Now with all of your chakras open your guides say that you are ready to enter the Faerie Realm, they will keep you safe while you're there. In front of you see a shimmering, glistening curtain of energy and your guides tell you to step through. As you do you feel your whole body tingle, it is a pleasant feeling.

ENDING

Your guides tell you it is now time to begin returning to your physical world. So you step down through the violet light, feeling your Crown chakra closing. You step down through the indigo light and you feel your Brow chakra close. You step down through the blue light and your Throat chakra closes. You step down through the green light and your Heart chakra closes. You step down through the yellow light and your Solar Plexus chakra closes. You step down through the orange light and your Naval chakra closes. You step down through the red light and you leave your Root chakra open.

You step down for the last time and find yourself on the cliff edge. You turn and watch as the bands of light retreat upwards and vanish. Your guides say that they will be back next time you journey this way.

Your guides say farewell and walk off into the mist and you start back on the path. As the mist closes around you, you feel yourself back into your body, back into this realm. Take a few moments now to adjust to being in your body, wriggle your fingers and toes, take a few deep breaths and slowly open your eyes when you are ready.

Fairy Realm Meditation

A Meditation to Meet Fairies (altered from Mystic Familiar)

Just sit and allow yourself to relax a little...slow your breathing down...find that comfy bit on your chair....I want you to imagine that we are at the bottom of a valley....there are woods about us....it's dusk....the stars are shining sooooo brightly above....an owl lands on a branch near by....it startles us....and it hoots....like it's laughing at us....in the trees we see animals....they are friendly....we can see a couple of big cats....there's a wolf....a deer with her foal is over there.

We can feel the grass under our feet....and notice that we're wearing plain light coloured robes....ahh....here comes Merlin....he's whistling....welcome old one....less of the old one he chuckles.

He asks us to follow him and we step off down the path...it's an easy walk...he doesn't hurry...in fact he wants to spend a little time with us all as we walk through these fabulous trees...massive redwoods are here....and they are teeming with life. As we walk....notice all that you can see

around you...wow did you see that....just over there....in that tree? A wee person....looks like a tree spirit....ahh he's gone....nope....he's peeking around the edge of the tree at us. Merlin....our guide slows us to a stop....he tells us to shhhh....as we stand....you can feel the majesty of the trees....such age and power....welcoming us.

A flash of white....just ahead....a stallion...he's magnificent...he's a unicorn....Merlin soothes him....and introduces us. He backs of a few steps....sniffs and snorts at us....and slowly his stiff legs soften....he bows his head for Merlin to stroke him....up ahead we can see his mate with their foal.... all legs and knees....but he's full of mischief....you can see it in his eyes as he looks from behind his dam....he can't wait....he seems to skip....in that coltish way....to greet us....but stops a little way a way....sniffs....bucks his head....and comes closer.

We barely breath as he comes closer in case we scare him...and he's here...he allows us to stroke his soft mane and smooth beautiful body...his father...snorts and watches over him...but Merlin soothes him.

What an experience....but as with all babies he has no concentration....a butterfly has caught his attention and he goes dancing away trying to catch it....the butterfly wings shimmer in the starry moonlight....it's not a butterfly....it's a fairy....she's got a wonderful shimmering dress on....a wreath of tiny flowers on her head....there's a faint noise we hear....like a buzzing....soon there are hundreds of them about us....they sing and laugh with us....some play instruments....others have such clear beautiful voices.

Merlin approaches and says to the group....the stallion wishes us to come closer....and one at a time to hold the horn on his muzzle....we will have an experience....a learning....so each of us go to the unicorn,....as we wait our turn we enjoy the dance of the fairies....soon we all have been to visit the stallion, and look at him as he nods to us all and walks back to his partner.

We just sit for a moment....lost in thought....Merlin walks among us....he touches us all on the forehead and says something in a very old language.

Merlin smiles and asks us to walk a little more....with the family of unicorns....while the fairy choir dart and whiz around us....we can't help but smile at their antics....and we feel a glow as they send us love and healing....there's a rustle up above....in the trees....our wee friend is with us too....he smiles and throws each of us a token....to remember this journey....to help us come back when we wish.

As we start to climb up the valley the fairies and our wee friend wave....the unicorns stand proud in the moonlight at the edge of the trees....our animals rejoin us....nodding to the unicorn family as they pass and receive their blessings.

As we near the summit we can see that we are on top of a cliff....away from the edge....but with a magnificent view....in the distance we can see the signal fires that mark the boundary of the Tower of Avalon....they go far into the distance....burning brightly....beacons in the darkness....a web of light....spreading across the earth....as we stand....we can see our tower....the stones glinting in the moonlight....it is glowing with energy....we alter our gaze....extend our senses....we can see and feel the web of lay lines....burning with golden energy....linking the beacons....the nexus points.

We start to charge up our energies....Merlin nods....he wants us all to build up the energy as best we can....as we do we feel the hairs on our arms rise....the air starts to get full of static....we are doing it....he raises his staff and says focus this massive energy on him....his staff lights up....he seems to grow in size....and he slams his staff down into the earth and discharges all the energy he

has received into the lay lines....into mother earth....we can see a ring of energy linking us all....it's beautiful.

He says now send this energy....to where you know it is needed....your family....friends....colleagues....enemies....all who need it....the Tower of Avalon glows even brighter....the energy from the unicorns and fairies joins us too....we can see such wonderful colours from them....and finally he says....allow the power to slow....maintain the ring around you....and feed energy into it....see it build....and feel all the different energies....ours....his....the fairies....the unicorns....the old energy from the tower....filling us up....chasing away the cobwebs....filling us with light.

He says in a small clear voice....Rome wasn't built in a day....but some bits were....we should do what we can....little by little it will be built....do what we can, when we can....it all adds to the whole....bless us all.

We thank Merlin...and as we allow the circle to dim....to slowly wind down....we are tingling....he blesses us all....the vision fades and with a deep breath....we find ourselves back in this realm....back in our bodies.



CLOSING

Goddess:

Thank you Phosphoros for lighting our way this night. As you leave may there always be peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell.

God:

Thank you Merlin for guiding our way this night. As you leave may there always be peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell.

SPIRIT:

Powers of Spirit, Powers of the Centre. We thank you for your presence and for sustaining us this night. As you leave may there always be peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell!

SOUTH:

Powers of the South, Powers of Earth. We thank you for your presence and for sustaining us this night. As you leave may there always be peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell!

WEST:

Powers of the West, Powers of Water. We thank you for your presence and for sustaining us this night. As you leave may there always be peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell!

NORTH:

Powers of the North, Powers of Fire. We thank you for your presence and for sustaining us this night. As you leave may there always be peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell!

EAST:

Powers of the East, Powers of Air. We thank you for your presence and for sustaining us this night. As you leave may there always he peace between us. We bid you Hail and Farewell!

OPENING THE CIRCLE...

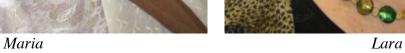
May the circle be open, but unbroken. May the peace of the Goddess be ever in our hearts. Merry meet and merry part, and merry meet again.

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The Eastern Quarter - Air









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The Goddesses

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Taking a breather...



Andy



Rache



Sam



Simon



Ray - Faery King



Beverley - Faery Queen

^{*} This ritual is a combination of the authors' original ideas and information obtained from various books and/or internet sources.