

Calling the Rain

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INTENT

This gathering, we have so much that we are able to work with. Beyond being still somewhat within the Full Moon cycle, it is also the mid winter Solstice - Yule, the time when traditionally the rebirth of the Sun God was celebrated. Indeed, this is the heart of the Christmas tradition, when in the Northern hemisphere the journey back towards fertile fields and abundance was celebrated. Beyond the difference in season, we can appreciate that for us fertile earth relies not upon the Sun - we have more than enough even in midwinter.. Rather, we seek the rain to restore fertility to the land.

This Full Moon then, we seek to call upon the power of the dragons - the mighty lines of force that carry and distribute the elemental forces throughout and around the earth. We seek to summon, gather and focus this power - eventually harnessing it by directing it into appropriate herbs. Each person can then take home a small amount, and, by offering it to one of the four elements (by casting it to the wind, burning it in the fire, setting it upon the waters or throwing it upon the earth) so disseminate it throughout the environment. In this way, all of us can play our part in CALLING THE RAIN

CIRCLE CASTING

After smudging, each person enters the circle, finding a place that is comfortable. After grounding and centering, the circle is cast first with incense, and then with salt water.

Then all together honour this land in song.

SONG

Gundrah A oo noo Nungeenah tya
Gundrah Lah oo oo noo,
Yahma koora, yahma koora
Nungeena tya , Yahma koora

QUARTER CALLS

NORTH

I stand at the gate of mystery
And call to the ancient power of the North:
From your mountain caverns deep
Rise Northern dragon from your sleep,
To lend us your wisdom and your might
Great Northern dragon aid us this night
Grael, I call to thee,
We welcome thee,
So Mote it Be.

EAST

I stand at the gate of mystery
And call to the ancient power of the East:
From atop the clouds on high
The Eastern dragon takes to the sky
Hearken to our call and take flight
Lend to us your wisdom and might
Sairys, I call to thee
We welcome thee,
So Mote it Be.

SOUTH

I stand at the gate of mystery
And call to the Ancient Power of the South:
From deep in your cavernous fire filled all
Echoes the name that I now call
Fire Dragon attend our Rite,
And lend to us your wisdom and might
Fafnir, I call to thee
We welcome thee,
So Mote it Be.

WEST

I stand at the gate of mystery,
And call to the Ancient Power of the West.
Calm water, Moving water, Seas and Lake
I now call upon the Water Drake,
Aid us with your wisdom and might,
Great Western Dragon attend tonight.
Naelyan, I call to the,
We welcome thee,
So Mote it Be.

INVOCATION

Draco! Vermithrax! Dragon!
Heed now the old tongue:
Per saxum
Per Terra
In venas potestas
Auxilium,
Opus Nobis
MAGNUS
DRACONIS

WORKING

Together we will bring together those energies that we have invoked, creating a sphere of dragon energy. We will bring these energies together with the following chant:

Sairys Fafnir Naelyan Grael,
Weave this circle as a sphere.
Draco from your home on high,
Fill this sphere with sacred light.

Once the sphere is thus filled, we will open ourselves to this energy using song, until we ourselves are filled with dragon power. We can if we are able, visualise with each round of the song, each chakra - from base to crown clearing and filling with energy, and then that energy filling our entire being with illumination and power.

I AM THE EARTH

I am the earth moving under all
I am the air flowing over all
I am the fire that flows through heart and flows through soul
I am the ocean of love.

Once the energy is thus infused through our being, each can allow it to flow through their being, directing it through the palm of their hands towards the herbs which will be in the centre of the altar as Gwyneira speaks:

May these herbs be empowered with the power of the dragon.
May they empower the water spirits of this land,
And may these water spirits within the earth then summon more of their kind,
That the rains may fall
And this land once more
Be fertile.

CLOSING

Draco
We thank you for your presence and power
Hail and Farewell.

Mighty Naelyan
We thank you for your presence and power,
Hail and Farewell.

Mighty Fafnir
We thank you for your guidance and
protection,
Hail and Farewell.

Mighty Sairys
We thank you for your guidance and
protection,
Hail and Farewell.

Mighty Grael
We thank you for your guidance and
protection,
Hail and Farewell

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.

** This ritual is a combination of the author's original ideas and information obtained from various books and/or internet sources.*