

Dance of Identity

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What

Walking Meditation moving out of an anthropocentric modern industrial story of reality.

Inter-spiritual evolutionary ritual to provide a deep time landscape in which to relinquish stories of modernity and recast one's identity within the new cosmology of Universe as a vast communion. Body Prayer

When

Midst the 6th mass extinction, at the threshold to a new age, at turning points in our species journey of consciousness and relationship with the future.

Where

Out, in and on the fringe of cultural groups etc.

Background

The new cosmology to be deeply transformative must be expressed in a new language that is not anthropocentric but cosmos-centric. This ritual uses I to refer both to Universe and to the person.

Preparation

Narrator. Script. Drum. Space for 15 steps in one direction. A threshold- real or symbolic. Journal

Directions

Narrator reads statements and drums to simulate 2 heart beats. where script indicates.

Participants respond as directed. First half of ritual "**I am not.**" Second half of ritual "**I am.**"

Beginning – standing. This is a threshold. Face one direction - the future.

Turn 180 to face origin moment.

Narrator will guide participants with 10 statements. After each, participants take a step in the direction they're facing. Mid-point process reverses, participants turn toward future again.

Journal: where in walk did you feel resistance, excitement, new identity?

Opening Words

Use explanation from the What and When above.

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1. Now, Nov 2022, midst a 6th mass extinction, at the threshold to a new age

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

2. Now there is no Webb telescope, no images of stars birthing, galaxies gathering, no first view of Earth from Moon, no world wide web of communication. Part of one cosmic communion ...

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

3. Now, there is no Darwin, Newton, Copernicus, no evolution or industrial revolution.

Evolving species, producer-consumer, citizen of starship Earth

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

4. Now there's no nations, no cultures, Buddhist, Muslim, Christian Hindu,

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

5. Now, there is no language, music, or art, no dance; communicator, Ritual maker

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

6. Now there is no Homo sapiens, Neanderthal, Homo habilus, Hominid, Homo genus, Human

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

7. Now no Polar Bear, Butterfly, Marlin, Worm, Tree, Coral, Earthling

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

8. Now, there is no stream or river, lake or aquafer. No oceans, cell of life, Water

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

9. Now, no planet, iron gold, uranium, no fireball Sun, no Venus, Jupiter, Earth

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

10. Now, no Orion or Milky Way, no stars, night or day, energy, vibration or sound. No time or space, no holy face. Universe

Drum 2 heart beats

I am not. *Step Back*

NOW - returned to Source, to **no** thingness, raw potential, the future calls, and I turn round...

10. Now is the Great Flaring Forth, vibration and sound, the holy unbound; time and space, matter and energy, divine Creativity births stars and galaxies, Universe

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

9. Now, is gaseous Fireball, generous Sun sustaining a solar family -

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

8. Now there is Earth, stardust, lithium, magnesium, fiery magma and mamma to be, **Earth**

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

7. Now there is cosmic wind, rain, and storms, oceans, Water

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

6. Now is squid squidding, plant creeping, worm worming, colour blooming, bee pollinating, parakeet singing, Oak breathing, dinosaur mothering, Living Earth

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

5. Now chimpanzee, ape, hominid, Homo Erectus, African Ardipithecus, Homo genus, a species

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

4. Now there is art, language, drums, dance, Great Spirit and Goddess, Ritual maker, Story tell

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

3. Now, Hindu, Jain, Buddhist, creeds, codes, cultures; differentiation

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

2. Now planets spin, cosmos, earth, species, consciousness, humans, god evolves; Evolutionary

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

1. Now is the James Webb space telescope and worldwide web, one cosmic communion

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*

Now, midst a 6th mass extinction, at the threshold to a new age

Drum 2 heart beats

I am. *Step Back*