

FOUR WORLDS: A RITUAL SONG FOR TU B'SHVAT

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Chorus:

On a dark and starry night
Moon she rises with delight
We're here to celebrate the Festival of Trees
Bless the fruit and nourish the seeds.

Fire, she calls me - stirring my soul
Ignite the passion, light up the whole;
In the west, transformation
Atzilut beyond imagination. Chorus

Air, she calls me bringing me forth
Ancestor wisdom, honors the north;
Briyah where images form
Dreams take flight, and thought is born. Chorus

Water, she calls me eastward- awake!
Yetzirah is where we create;
Healthy emotions with help from above
Our hearts open wide with love. Chorus

Earth, she calls me south to be found
Walking the land, on holy ground;
In *Assiyah* we're tempted to taste
Honoring our bodies and our Mother with grace. Chorus

Ride out:

Shechinah calling me to sing
With moon in the sky, I open my wings
Soaring through the Worlds my soul is free
Respect the earth and treasure the tree!

Calling me to rise; Singing me Her song
She sings me loud and sings me strong
She calls my mind to be at ease
She calls out to the world "its time to make peace"!

My soul is soaring, soaring she goes
Where she goes nobody knows
Shechinah is calling me to be

All I can be, I need to be free.

- This is a ritual song with each world of the Kabbalistic seder is assigned a verse -and chorus - to be sung before that section of the seder....until the ride out at the completion.
- Depending on your tradition, this song can also be sung with verses in reversed order