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Birch





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 into the swirling sky  
 of the infinite  
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today we are the stars &  
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we circle the view  
 our silvered roots  
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"Just as our Lady of Light, produces mutants of form to increase the manifold beauty of her manifestation (and to keep the story interesting), she also produces behavioral mutants. And a Queer species we are! Some of us, especially ♀ folks do have children, some by choice; Others do not. Where then goes the energy that Adults with young expend if no young exist? What do you do with that urging, inherent in any species, to continue/nurture your kind? Traditional queers often are found in vocations which channel this energy; Queer teachers (gym teachers not withstanding) & Artists. Sublimation say some. Pshaw! sez I! We exist thus for a reason. We are awakening now for a reason, just as Paganism is awakening now for a reason. The Great Mother-form Gaia calls us, her un-natural children, to seek life, to struggle with patriarchy, to cleanse our planet & our hearts of the dis-ease which threatens life. May this struggle be one of Love, dear vision, joy & celebration! I'd like to hear responses..."



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Fom Savanna Moon, Crescent Moon:

“Greetings to all my kin; Fairie brothers and Amazon sisters. “When did we last donate together; When did we last dance together; When shall we again?” I live in N. Carolina Exist in the Fairie Circle, and struggle to maintain and manifest a faggot spirit vision in my daily and yearly life. My practice is guided imagery, color, oils, candles, sex, and gardening. Bears make more bears, owls hatch little owls, and humpback whales breed true with humpback whale-lets; how then are we here? Our nuclear breeding units expected us to be hetero’s, molding and deceiving us until restrained no more, our faggot dyke fairie and queer selves busted forth. Tiny droplets merging imperfectly into the twin waters of gay and lesbian liberation. How much can this be? I’ll share my share of the vision, maybe it’ll fit for you.

“Just as our Lady of Light, produces mutants of form to increase the manifold beauty of her manifestation (and to keep the story interesting), she also produces behavioral mutants. And a queer species we are! Some of us, especially folks do have children, some by choice; others do not. Where then goes the energy that adults with young expand if no young exist? What do you do with that urging, inherent in any species, to continue/nurture your kind? Traditional queers often are found in vocations which channel this energy; Queer teachers (gym teachers notwithstanding) and artists. Sublimation say some. Pshaw! Sez I! We exist thus for a reason. We are awakening now for a reason, just as Paganism is awakening now for a reason. The great mother-form Gaia calls us, her unnatural children, to seek life, to struggle with patriarchy, to cleanse our planet and our hearts of the dis ease which threatens life. May this struggle be one of love, dear vision, joy and celebration! I’d like to hear responses...”