

## Universe Blessings

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**W**e are blessed to live in a universe steeped in creativity  
a universe where all things are connected

where all choices, all creativity feeds and makes the way for even more and  
often greater creativity

where birthing is happening everywhere all the time

where all beings are at the center of creativity

where mutually enhancing relationships foster greatness, foster creativity

where the creativity of an ecosystem, a species, a community, a group, an in-  
dividual influences, enhances and makes way for the creativity of another

where hydrogen and helium make the way for stars

where stars make the way for planets

where photosynthesis makes the way for forests

where all the species of the planet inspire the creativity of the human

where Pierre Teilhard de Chardin enhances, influences and makes the way  
for Thomas Berry

where Berry shapes, ignites and makes the way for Matthew Fox, Joanna  
Macy and Brian Swimme

where Fox, Macy and Swimme massage, foster and make the way for what  
I pray to be the most caring generation of humans to share this beautiful  
planet

where grace and care reign in such fullness that our very species emerges  
anew—reinvented

where humans discover fire for a second time

to be a part of such creativity, such love, such an awakening is among the  
greatest opportunities any being will ever know

Thank you Hydrogen. Thank you Stars. Thank you photosynthesis. Thank  
you Chardin. Thank you Berry. Thank you Universe.

It is an honor to know my heritage.

It is an honor to carry it forth.

For Thomas, a forbearer of what is to come.

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