## Dances of Universal Peace Renga

A renga is a group poem, in which a starting verse is given.

Each participating poet then writes a verse on that theme.

Here, everyone's haiku was shuffled and appears below in the order in which it appeared.

Here we are again immersed in the dance of love reaping joy's harvest Katya

A safe container this place, *this place*, right here, new Grace, Shakur Allah Raqiba

> Strangers become friends blending our truest God self as should always be Kathy

Sometimes the joy turns emotions easily heightened tears flow down puffed cheeks Sh'mal

Connecting heart strings dancing, walking the path home united as one Greg

In each set of eyes God waits to be recognized reflection of love Karen

Songs soar, love has wings movement, stillness all around what once was lost – found Noorunnissa Joined hands in circle each face an invitation the blessing of smiles Karima

Reaping is weeping open the heart with singing homecoming for all Mary F

Together we move with awareness of oneness on the path towards truth Tom

Drums beat, voices sing ankle bells chime, friends hold hands earth's vibrations smile Deborah

> Singing moving love hearts together all as one home again - thank you Mary L

How full can I be and still I dance, for this bliss has no container Katya

And we share the glance heart open spirit singing bow down, gratitude Jemila

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