

## L'cha Dodi

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Rising, from a dimming sky, the evening queen, the shabbis bride, rising  
Rising from ancient times, down where the valley cries,  
for blessing, for blessing  
Rising, the memory of the word, in one word to keep and observe  
To the last breathe, to the last breathe  
Rising, a light like the moon, carrying peace like a mother's womb,  
Like blessing, like blessing

**Lecha dodi likrat, likrat kalah**

**לְכָה דוֹדֵי לְקִרְאָת, לְקִרְאָת כַּלָּה**

**p'nay Shabbat ne-kab'lah**

**פְּנֵי שַׁבַּת נְקַבְּלָה**

**Oh my beloved, oh come my beloved, as we turn to face the world to come**

Shake the dust, the bride is near, get up and robe your skin  
It's your moment of nobility  
Shake the dust in the flickering light, as the candles burn  
So she may shine on our skin  
Shake the dust with your voice and breath, shake the dust with song  
And harmony, and harmony  
Shake the dust of the shame and restraint, dance together, let go,  
Break open, break open.

***Lecha dodi..***

Everybody get up, up from your seat, the world to come is rising  
Rising up for the love, rising up for the peace, rising up in global community  
Open hearts to the right, open hearts to the left, unite in peace from east to west  
Welcome bride, welcome love, boi kalah, boi kalah

***Lecha dodi..***