## Khorasan

Dance: Choreography by Hazel Young.

About the Music: Sami Yusuf from the CD "The Centre". Track title "Khorasan". There is also a 2nd version on the same CD, sung in Arabic. (I have now edited the 2 versions together into one longer piece). The song is about being a refugee and the connection to the homeland. Khorasan is the name for an older Persian province which included parts which are today in Iran, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

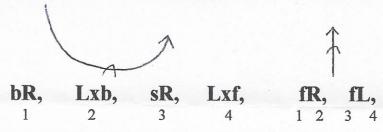
Formation: Circle facing centre.

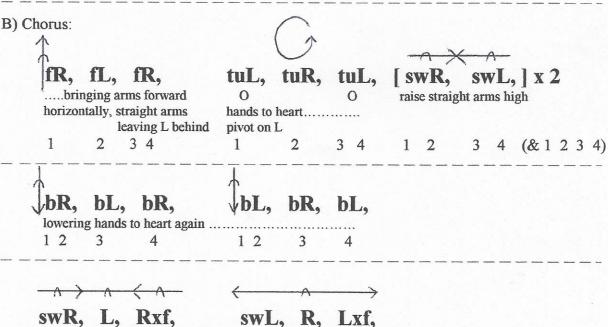
Arms: V-hold at beginning.

Introduction: Start with singing, with third syllable of title "Khora-SAN".

Pattern: English version  $[A \times 9]$ ,  $[B \times 2]$ ,  $[A \times 9]$ ,  $[B \times 2]$ , bridge, AA, ending. Long version (English, then Arabic)  $[A \times 9]$ ,  $[B \times 2]$ ,  $[A \times 9]$ ,  $[B \times 2]$ , bridge,  $[A \times 6]$ ,  $[B \times 2]$ , bridge,  $[A \times 6]$ ,  $[B \times 2]$ , bridge,  $[A \times 6]$ ,  $[A \times 6]$ , bridge,  $[A \times 6]$ , ending.

A) Verse: "U-shapes", travelling back from the circle line, then forwards to the circle line.



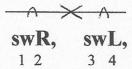


SWK, L, KXI, SWL, R, LXI,
O
lower hands to take V hold
....on balls of feet.. in front of L .....on balls of feet.. in front of R
1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4

Repeat B)

## Khorasan (continued)

Bridge) After 2nd chorus



Ending) cl R as singer sings "Khorasan" (or Arabic words) and music fades.

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## Khorasan (English words)

Khorasan

I have come

Here Alone

In my dream

Earth and stone

Turned to gold

Was that you

Long ago

Khorasan?

Chorus:

Can you guide me to the treasures I have lost?

Can you show me every secret I forgot?

When I came you asked me where I had come from

You said my homeland was my kingdom all along

Khorasan

I must go

Send me home

Breathe in me

I have healed

I have grown

Give me peace

In my soul

Khorasan

Chorus:

Can you guide me to the treasures I have lost?

Can you show me every secret I forgot?

When I came you asked me where I had come from

You said my homeland was my kingdom and my

secret all along

Khorasan

Send me home

Khorasan

## Khorasan (Arabic words into English)

My Lord

Have mercy on me

On the day of eternity

My Lord

Unite me

With the messenger

Chorus:

Protect me, O Merciful

From worries and anxieties of this world

Protect me, O the Most Kind

From pain and sorrow

Exalted in all Your affairs

O You, the Supreme One

I have none in this universe but You

My Lord

Have mercy on me

On the day of eternity

My Lord

Unite me

With the messenger

Chorus:

Protect me, O Merciful

From worries and anxieties of this world

Protect me, O the Most Kind

From pain and sorrow

Exalted in all Your affairs

O You, the Supreme One

Have mercy on my weakness

I have none in this universe but You

My Lord

Tell me

You will accept me