



Principles of Planetary Magic: Venus

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INTRODUCTION

- Hello and welcome to the class.
- In the previous class, we talked about the qualities of the Sun, the Fourth planet in the Chain of Manifestation. We've now taken the Idea down through Saturn, where the form and foundation and fate of the idea were established. We've passed through Jupiter, where the greater benefic has bestowed its blessings, joy, and power on the idea. In Mars, the idea's boundaries were enforced, and things were carved into being for it. In the Sun, the way the idea is projected into the world, the truth or light it brings to the world is applied.
- In Venus, the realm of love and sex, the qualities that make the idea attractive to other people are developed. Here we receive the social blessings of friendship, admiration, and support for mutual benefit. This manifests as our popularity in any given social situation. Social media is a good indicator of our Venus power and influence, as it compares to our own performance over time. Don't compare yourself to others, compare yourself to yourself, you're the only person you need to love you.





INTRODUCTION

- On the negative spectrum of its manifestations are the debaucherous manifestations of pleasure and friendship. Here is the realm of grift, of one-sided pleasures that bring harm, and decay. All the harms and diseases of irresponsible pursuit of pleasures without the careful consideration of its necessary checks and balances are the negative manifestations of this sphere.
- This is the realm of conception, of procreation, where sexual congress leads to infant children among humans, other offspring in plants, animals, and even the reproductive processes of non-sexual life forms. In that role, it rules over the production facilities of nature, taking nutrients and parts of things, and combining them into life.
- Sex, lust, concupiscence, these are the epitome of this sphere's manifestation. It can be beautiful, it can take a myriad of forms. It can also be terrible, and chain you, bind you in madness. Desire, love, romance, and all the positive emotions, this sphere has them all, but also all the negative sides of all these things. When it is good, it is pleasing to all involved, a source of joyful sharing of pleasure that may or may not lead to future mutually beneficial experiences.



True Love

- Love is perhaps the most popular reason people come to Venus. Her affiliation with sexual lust and the “new relationship energy” of young love, new friends, and new opportunities can make her seem like she is where to go when you want a long term positive relationship, but it’s less about that than it is about meeting someone fun and new, and getting liked by others. She is the “Lesser benefic,” and in the same way Mars rules the “little bads” in life, Venus rules the “little goods,” the temporary positive joys that come and go, arguably the things that make life worth living.
- Where Jupiter provides you with your life’s fortune and resources to sustain the overarching story of your existence, Venus provides you with the anecdotes about the journey that describe what fun you’ve had along the way. Trips to bars with friends, road trips, whirlwind relationships, and passing acquaintances are her realm. Getting the favor of your boss or your social community, being liked and popular are the things she is great at providing people.
- She is also the realm of your true love. The romantic ideal, for you, can be found under her auspices. It’s not always pleasant, we bring a lot of baggage to the realm of relationships, but if you devote the time and energy to doing the Work of Venus, I believe whole heartedly that anyone can find romantic love that fulfills their needs emotionally, sexually, and socially. It should be known that I am a Taurus, and I am favored by Venus, I know her ways and her secrets, because she likes me and she has taught me a lot.



Venusberg

- Venusberg represents the spiritual initiations of the sphere of Venus. As a Taurus, I have dived deep into what a Venus initiation is all about, and how to benefit from that in your spiritual life. Sex magic is very much the magic of this sphere. It accelerates the process, causing as much trouble in the short term as you'd have to deal with in the long term, if you took it slowly. It accelerates the manifestation process of everything, it gives a spiritual body to everything you want to ensoul. Every sexual act can create a spiritual entity, a body for your intention to manifest.
- The magic of this sphere is the force of manifestation, of embodying desire, the force of wrapping the thrusting idea in a warm envelope that fulfils its needs, satisfies its reason for existing, and transforms that heat, that spark of unfulfilled desire into the spark of life that will continue to manifest as long as it exists. It carries that moment of goodness forward.

QUALITIES OF THE PLANET

- Love – the positive emotions, and their opposites. Remember that every good fleeting feeling and its opposite are under her domain.
- Procreation – the instant of passing on of life, wherein the infinite potential of an entire lifetime is exchanged and/or brought into being.
- Transformer of spark of lust into spark of life
- Attraction – All the things that make you want something, or make someone want something from you.
- Peace after madness – Love heals the pains of Ares, but also of our hearts. The madness she can drive us to, she can also heal with the love that, lacking, drives us mad.
- Fulfillment of desire – It's not just what you want, it's getting what you want.
- Ravens of dispersion are the opposite – The way that you lose things in addiction are the negative aspects of this sphere. The smells of decay.
- Decay is what makes the flowers grow.
- Morning Star – She is the Light that is bright and brings hope and joy.



A still life composition featuring an open book with a quill pen, a glass of water, autumn leaves, and berries on a wooden surface. The book is open to two pages of text, with a quill pen resting on the left page. A glass of water is positioned above the book, and several autumn leaves are scattered around. A small bowl of berries is visible to the right of the book. The entire scene is set on a wooden surface.

SUMMARIZING THE QUALITIES OF THE SPHERE OF VENUS

- In summary, Venus represents:
- Desire fulfillment – Go to her to get what you desire
- Procreation – Go to her to create children to carry out your magical intent
- Manifestation of Good Feels – Go to her to turn on and off the things that are pleasant and good in this life.



MAGICAL APPLICATIONS OF THE FORCES OF VENUS

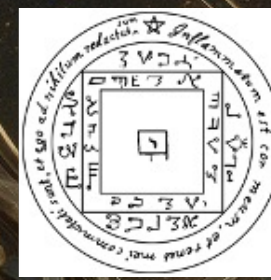
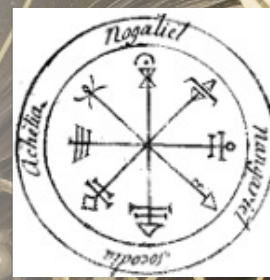
- Attracting love
- Attracting attraction
- Getting rid of unwanted attraction
- Emotional manipulation for the fulfillment of your desires
- Really getting things going in your life

SORCEROUS PATH: CHANGING THE MATERIAL WORLD

- Getting Love
- Getting Favor
- Healing Relationships
- Fulfilling Desires



Powers of the Pentacles of the Key of Solomon



- The first pentacle of Venus.-- This and those following serve to control the spirits of Venus, and especially those herein written.
- The second pentacle of Venus.-- These pentacles are also proper for obtaining grace and honor, and for all things which belong unto Venus, and for accomplishing all thy desires herein.
- The third pentacle of Venus.-- This, if it be only shown unto any person, serveth to attract love. Its angel Monachiel should be invoked in the day and hour of Venus,1 at one o'clock or at eight.
- The fourth pentacle of Venus.-- It is of great power, since it compels the spirits of Venus to obey, and to force on the instant any person thou wishest to come unto thee.
- The fifth and last pentacle of Venus.-- When it is only showed unto any person soever, it inciteth and exciteth wonderfully unto love.



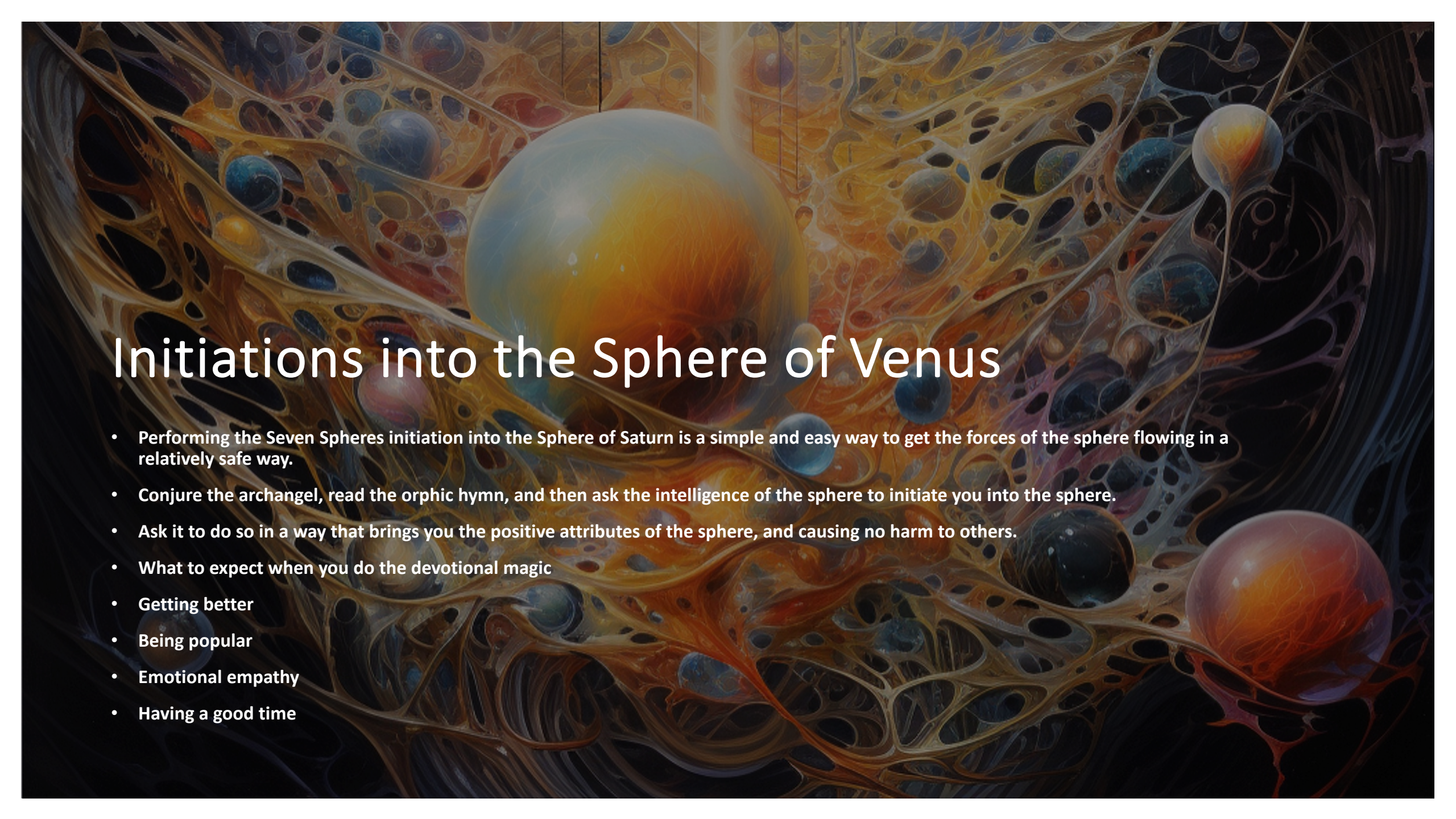
A golden celestial sphere, resembling a Ptolemaic geocentric model, is centered in the image. Inside the sphere, a woman with long, flowing golden hair and a similar golden dress is depicted. She has her arms outstretched, and her hair and dress appear to be swirling or dancing. The sphere is marked with various celestial lines and small golden spheres representing planets or stars. The background is a dark, starry night sky with several bright, multi-pointed stars. The overall color palette is dominated by gold, dark blue, and black.

What to expect when you do the practical magic of the sphere

Love and sex and favor and sexiness

DEVOTIONAL PATH

- Love is great when it comes to feeling it and enjoying its benefits, but there is a dark side to love that is intrinsic to every part of our lives. From the beginning, we are shaping our expectations about how we are going to be treated and fulfilled by love in our lives through the actions of our parents. If they are present, if they are great, if they are in love and healthy, they can still present unrealistic expectations for us.
- Chances are, they are not those perfect lovers capable of demonstrating the best possible ways to love and be loved in life.
- Initiations into the Sphere of Venus bring healing, purification, and cleansing to the aspects of your life ruled over by Venus. If you've been sexually traumatized, or emotionally abused or manipulated, those scars can be found in this sphere. It is a terrible, and a dark place. We need a lot of healing here.
- This sphere can bring out the worst parts of your transformation, in my opinion, but then again, I am a Taurus. Maybe it's not so bad for other people, I don't know.
- Regardless, take it easy in this sphere. Take your initiations seriously here. If you've been traumatized, take that to Saturn to end its influence and isolate its damage to you while you work on it, go to Jupiter to ask for sanctuary and healing, the resources to heal, go to Mars for protection while you deal with this, and for vengeance as needed. Go to the Sun for the light to see what you must, to deal with things proper.
- In Venus, ask for love, healing, and to be taught how to love in the ways that bring you the most fulfillment from your own romantic desires. What shaped you, what went into your natal chart, what has happened to you ever since, these things are all unique, and have made you someone unlike anyone else. Only you and Venus know what you need to deal with.
- Ask her to help you understand what makes you love, and how you've been harmed. Ask her to show you what you can do instead to be more attractive to what you want, and to reveal what it is you are attracted to in the first place. Ask her to bring you the people you need to be able to overcome the damages you've been exposed to in life, and to express your love the way you're supposed to.
- There are a couple areas you'll focus on:
 - Dealing with being in love – how does that happen for you? What does “being in love” even mean for you? When you love someone, is it a list of expectations, or a list of things you want to do for them? A transactional experience, or a shared resource, shared profit scenario? What's a healthy love for you look like?
 - Dealing with not being loved – how does that happen for you? What is it that makes people not-attracted to you? Is it you, or is it them? Are you attracted to people who aren't interested in you? Why is that? Are you ever going to be ok with not being loved, if no one loves you?
 - Loving yourself – Do you need to love yourself, or not? I love some things about myself, and some things I don't, but I have to live through it regardless. I strive to do the things I can love myself for doing, but if I can't, I try not to do the things that will make things worse. Enlightened self interest is a thing.

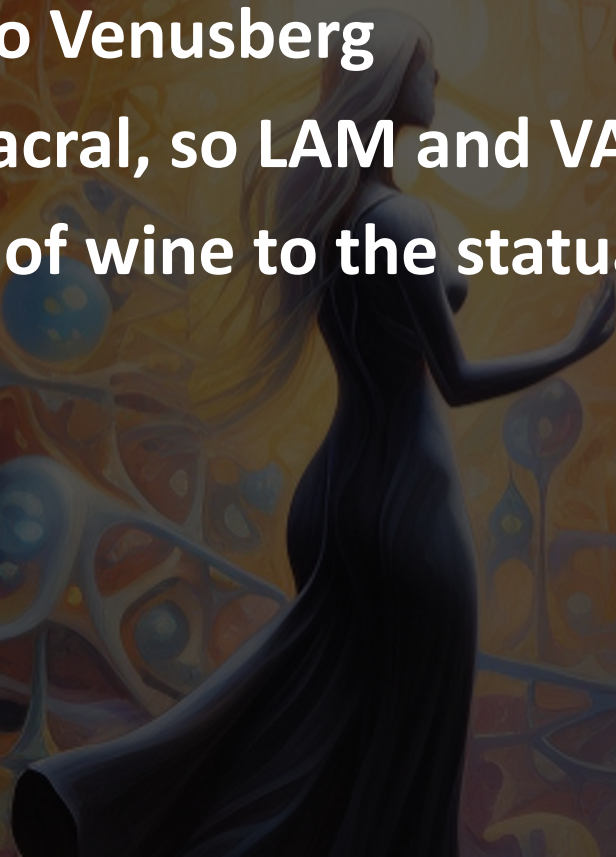


Initiations into the Sphere of Venus

- Performing the Seven Spheres initiation into the Sphere of Saturn is a simple and easy way to get the forces of the sphere flowing in a relatively safe way.
- Conjure the archangel, read the orphic hymn, and then ask the intelligence of the sphere to initiate you into the sphere.
- Ask it to do so in a way that brings you the positive attributes of the sphere, and causing no harm to others.
- What to expect when you do the devotional magic
- Getting better
- Being popular
- Emotional empathy
- Having a good time

Types of devotional magic

- Sex – There are all kinds of ways to have sexual meditations, mostly it involves doing it slowly.
- Meditations – Going to Venusberg
- Mantras – Root and Sacral, so LAM and VAM
- Candles and offerings of wine to the statuary





Personal Anecdotes and Advice

- Venus magics I have done:
- Healing from trauma
- Healing from ex-lovers

Venus IN OUR EXPERIENCED WORLD





In the Human

- Body
- Part of the Body – Again they set Venus over the kidneys [kidneys], the testicles, the privities, the womb, the seed, and concupiscible power; as also the flesh, fat, belly, breast, navill [navel], and all such parts as server to venerall [venerable] acts, also the Os sacrum, the back bone [backbone], and loins; as also the head, mouth, with which they give a kiss, as a token of love.
- The privy members.
- The left nostrill
- Inner World
- Emotions – love, lust;
- Inner Sense – Smelling
- Amongst tastes – that which is sweet, unctuous, and delectable;
- Spirit or Part of your Soul – the Concupiscible vertue on Venus:
- Divine Gift – by Venus, a fervent love, most sweet hope, the motion of desire, order, concupiscence, beauty, sweetness, desire of encreasing and propagation of it self;
- Evils - Venus, the deceits of concupiscence, lascivious loves and filthy lusts
- Actions and dispositions
- Those under Venus to love, lust, and concupiscence;
- countenance – Venus signifies a man to be tending towards blackness, but more white, with mixture of red, of a handsome body, a fair, and round face, fair hair, fair eyes, the blackness whereof is more intense, of good manners, and honest love, also kind, patient, and jocund

In the Physical World

- Venus shows up across the material world in various forms.
- The following table shows how the powers of Venus Manifest in the physical world:





Conjuration Tech

- When we conjure using the system we recommend in this course, we need a candle, some incense, and the name, seal, and qualities of the spirits we are working with.
- Incense
- For Venus take Musk, Amber-gryse [=amberggris], Lignum-aloes, red Roses, and red Corall, and make them up with the brain of Sparrows, and the blood of Pigeons.
- Phrases for your Statements of Intent
- Venus is called the Lady, nourishing, beautifull, white, fair, pleasing, powerfull, the fruitfull Lady of love and beauty, the progeny of Ages, the first parent of men, who in the beginning of all things joynd diversity of sexes together with a growing love, and with an eternall off-spring propagates kinds of men and Animals, the queen of all delights, the Lady of rejoycing, friendly, sociable, pittifull, taking all things in good part, alwaies bountifull to mortals, affording the tender affection of a mother to the conditions of them in misery, the safeguard of mankind, letting no moment of time pass without doing good, overcoming all things by her power, humbling the high to the low, the strong to the weak, the noble to the vile, rectifying, and equalling all things: and she is called Aphrodite, because in every sexe, she is found to be of every mind: and she is called Lucifera, i.e. bringing light, bringing the yeers of the Sun to light; and she is called Hesperus, when she follows the Sun, and Phosperus, because she leads through all things though never so hard.

Epithets of Venus

- The following table can help guide you in understanding aspects of how Venus manifests in the world, and can be used in your conjurations to her when you are calling on her by name.





Hymn of the sphere

*Heav'nly [Ourania], illustrious, daughter-loving queen, sea-born, night-loving, of an awful mien;
Crafty, from whom necessity [Ananke] first came, producing, nightly, all-connecting dame:
'Tis thine the world with harmony to join, for all things spring from thee, O pow'r divine.
The triple Fates [Moirai] are rul'd by thy decree, and all productions yield alike to thee:
Whate'er the heav'ns, encircling all contain, earth fruit-producing, and the stormy main,
Thy sway confesses, and obeys thy nod, awful attendant of the brumal God [Bakkhos]:
Goddess of marriage, charming to the sight, mother of Loves [Eortes], whom banquetings delight;
Source of persuasion [Peitho], secret, fav'ring queen, illustrious born, apparent and unseen:
Spousal, lupercal, and to men inclin'd, prolific, most-desir'd, life-giving., kind:
Great sceptre-bearer of the Gods, 'tis thine, mortals in necessary bands to join;
And ev'ry tribe of savage monsters dire in magic chains to bind, thro' mad desire.
Come, Cyprus-born, and to my pray'r incline, whether exalted in the heav'ns you shine,
Or pleas'd in Syria's temple to preside, or o'er th' Egyptian plains thy car to guide,
Fashion'd of gold; and near its sacred flood, fertile and fam'd to fix thy blest abode;
Or if rejoicing in the azure shores, near where the sea with foaming billows roars,
The circling choirs of mortals, thy delight, or beauteous nymphs, with eyes cerulean bright,
Pleas'd by the dusty banks renown'd of old, to drive thy rapid, two-yok'd car of gold;
Or if in Cyprus with thy mother fair, where married females praise thee ev'ry year,
And beauteous virgins in the chorus join, Adonis pure to sing and thee divine;
Come, all-attractive to my pray'r inclin'd, for thee, I call, with holy, reverent mind.
On the Muses and Bachae*

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a black dress, stands in profile, looking towards a vast, colorful, and intricate field of ethereal, balloon-like spirits. The spirits are in various colors (red, blue, yellow, orange) and shapes, some with faces, and are connected by a complex network of thin, golden lines. The background is a bright, glowing yellow and orange, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The overall scene is surreal and magical.

Spirits for Ceremonialists

- From Book 3, Chapter x:
- *The seventh name is Tetragrammaton Sabaoth, or Adonai Sabaoth, that is the God of hosts; and his numeration is Nezah [Netzach], that is triumph and victory; the right Columne is applyed to it, and it signifies the eternity and justice of a revenging God; it hath his influence through the order of principalities, whom the Hebrews call Elohim, that is Gods, into the sphere of Venus, gives zeal and love of righteousness, and produceth vegetables; his Intelligence is Haniel and the Angel Cerviel, the ruler of David; Ceremonialists have identified the following aspects that can be used in conjure rites:*

God Names and Archangels of the Spheres:

- God: Jehovah Tzabaoth
- Choir: Principalities
- Archangel: Hanael
- Terrestrial Spirits:
 - Nogahiel, Acheliah, Socodiah (or Socohiah) and Nangariel.





Images of the Astrological Talismans

- You can engrave the following images on various stones to get the results described. I include them for reference in case you want to use the imagery in creating your own talismans, or to draw the forces of the spheres.
- From the operations of Venus they made an Image, which was available for favor, and benevolence, at the very hour it ascending into Pisces, the form of which was the Image of a woman having the head of a bird, and feet of an Eagle, holding a dart in her hand.
- They made another Image of Venus for to get the love of women, in the Lapis Lazulus [lapis lazuli], at the hour of Venus, Venus ascending in Taurus, the figure of which was a naked maide with her haire spread abroad, having a looking glass in her hand, and a chain tyed about her neck, and nigh her a handsome young man holding her with his left hand by the chain, but with his right hand making up her hair, and they both look lovingly on one another, and about them is a little winged boy holding a sword or a dart.
- They made another Image of Venus, the first face of Taurus or Libra or Pisces ascending with Venus, the figure of which was a little maide with her hair spread abroad, cloathed in long and white garments, holding a Laurell Apple, or flowes in her right hand, in her left a Combe. Its reported to make men pleasant, jocand, strong, chearfull [cheerful] and to give beauty.