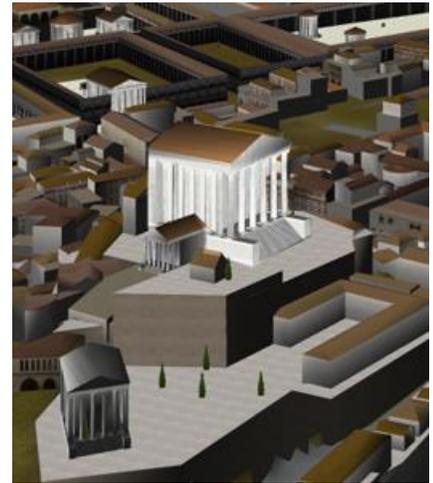


The Goddess and Money

The goddess as life force energy or electro-magnetic current has an intrinsic relationship with Money or Currency – the flow of life force. The word “money” derives from the latin root word “Moneta” meaning mint or coin. The Roman’s built a Grand Temple in the center of Rome said to have stood on the Arx, or the Citadel overlooking the Roman Forum. in honor of Goddess Juno Moneta where money was first minted.

To mint a coin is a process of alchemy - converting metal into coins. Mint refers to the original condition—absolutely unmarred or a state of perfection. Imagine women and men leaning over their work on the steps and altars of the Goddess temple, engaging in the sacred work/play using a sort of alchemy to create small golden coins depicting the Goddess.



We could imagine that these coins represent the original, pure, true self and are crafted in harmony with the Source of Abundance that lies in the womb of Great Mother Goddess Juno. Perhaps the original intent was these sacred symbolic golden coins were given and received in a healthy flow or circulation. The question we might ask is how do we integrate this flow so includes the sharing of our gifts, of our essence, in harmony with the vital Life Force Current.

Remembering the mysteries of the Goddess are expressing through money, is a vital element for creating and manifesting financial abundance where the basic needs of everyone are fulfilled. Goddess Moneta reminds us that it is the feminine principle that are the Gatekeepers of the Life Current; wisely stewarding this energy in ways that maintain the economy of the community by allowing a healthy economy within each individual.



Juno Moneta teaches us that pure essence is the true source of abundance. She shows us that it is good to release outworn structures and partake in the nourishment of what remains. As we come into resonance with Source, we become and embody abundance. We become the Goddess who bestows Her riches on everyone – not just an elite few.

Juno Moneta as the Goddess of Abundance and Money bears witness to the fertile power of women symbolized by the minting of Money in her temple. This reminds us that the Money Mysteries emerge from the feminine principle. Every time we exchange money we are engaging the mysteries of Juno Moneta.

The word Juno originates from the Sabine-Etruscan word Uni or yoni. The Romans felt that a part of the spirit of the goddess was within each woman. This was **called her Juno, or soul**, also known as her conceiving and bearing power. It is no wonder that money has come to symbolize power.

Juno was also the Roman Goddess of sacred marriage i.e. conscious co-creative equal partnership, who held the concept of healthy relationship in its perfected or minted aspect. The circumstances of her time, the coming of the patriarchy and the demise of the importance of the Goddess, produced a situation that did not support the full expression of Juno’s mysteries. Indeed, women were losing their right to manage their own economic realities, and slowly losing their fertile powers in every area except childbirth. This loss has contributed to the current economic imbalances in the world.

It is time that we remember and consciously choose to create new economic paradigms based on the feminine principles of equitable giving and receiving, including working cooperatively and sharing our resources with each other in ways that nourish and sustain all of life in loving abundance.

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