



2020 February Celestial Timings

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The invocation below (on next page) I shared in the February 2012 Celestial Timings and feels timely not only because Venus is entering Aries this month but because we are experiencing full speed ahead with transformational change until February 16 when Mercury stations retrograde.

We begin this month with Venus having just passed through the Throat Chakra Gate so it is time to step up and speak our truth and vote for the reality we truly care about through our actions, our words, what we spend money on, how we show up and through actually voting.

I am definitely NOT about to take a political position here because there is enough polarization from both sides of the political divide. I often wonder how we will ever get to a place where we are heart directed and not fear directed when making choices and taking actions that are voting for our reality not just in elections but with the words we speak along with every move we make, every action we take and every dollar we spend. How do we move from fear and survival to joy and thriving in ways that serve the greater good and not just an elite few?

We have just welcomed the Chinese year of the Rat at the Aquarius New Moon on January 25/26 depending on your time zone. The Chinese New Year has shifted over time and is now celebrated every year at the Aquarius New Moon. This no longer aligns exactly with Jupiter moving through the constellations these years were named for but it is still worth noting.

The Chinese recognized Jupiter as a Year Star, though actually some years it is traveling through a part of the sky longer or shorter than others. The time it takes Jupiter to return to a starting place is 11.6 years and hence the shift over time.

The Chinese view the Rat as the first sign (or constellation) of the 12 signs their system is based upon. The Rat brings protection and material abundance when engaged from a healthy place. It brings war, virulent dis-ease and death when expressing from its shadow side. It is an interesting synchronicity about the corona virus originating in China. So...how DO we focus on the healthy side of the Rat or do we need a virus to wake us up in 2020?



<p>Parallel merges, Magnetic surges, Time Collapses, Straining Synapses, Nothing is wrong – Bring it on!</p> <p>Bodies are hurting From encodements bursting. Resistance depleted: Works almost completed These changes are strong – Bring in on!</p> <p>Mental delusions and Shattered illusions. Go through the Gate: Awakening waits. Surrender, to the One – Bring it on!</p> <p>To shift realities Into Divine Normalities, It's very effective To parallax perspective. For what to you long? Bring it on!</p>	<p>From Transpersonal knowing Attachments are going. Emotional upheaval, Then Spirit is revealed. The love for the One – Bring it on!</p> <p>Open the heart to jubilation, Open the mind to revelation, Open the body, open the Soul To Beloved Spirit's goal. The mission's nearly done – Bring it on!</p> <p>Mystical missions Need Magical visions. Hearts open and wild Frees the magical child. We're dancing towards Home – Bring it on!</p> <p>Our ecstatic birthright filled With Grace and de-Light Is heaven styled Through the Magical Child. Touch the new dawn – Bring it on!</p>	<p>Won't you join the fun? Everybody can come To the Universal Celebration Of humanity's graduation. Join in Victory's song – Bring it on!</p> <p>Our worlds are ending, Universes ascending. Merkabah's spinning This world's new beginning Call of the One – Bring it on!</p> <p>Mekabah merges, True love surges, Space/Time collapses Spirit enrapt us. The flight of the One – Bring it on!</p> <p>From the Book <i>What is Lightbody?</i> ~ Archangel Ariel Channeled by Tashira Tachi-ren</p>
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Bring It On...could be considered a Feminine Amazon Warrior cry (Venus enters Aries on February 7) or the bold perspective of not only Pluto, Saturn and Jupiter in Capricorn but Mars joining the trio entering Capricorn on February 16.

The above invocation describes the challenges of Pisces *Illusions and Delusions* along with the gifts of *mystical missions* and *magical visions*. Venus is with Neptune in Pisces as February begins until Feb 7 as already mentioned. Mercury enters Pisces Feb 3 stationing retrograde on Feb 16 in Pisces and the Sun enters Pisces late on Feb 18 for more western time zones and just after mid-night on Feb 19 for EST.

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February 2020 Additional Highlights:

Cross-Quarter, Juno Retrograde in Libra, Mercury Retrograde, Mars into Capricorn, Zodiacal Lights and Leap Day in this Leap Year.

Imbolc or Candlemas (a.k.a. Ground Hog Day) is often celebrated on Feb 1 or 2 marking the cross-quarter or half-way point between the December Solstice and March Equinox. The actual astrological cross-quarter happens early on February 4 when the Sun reaches 15 Aquarius.

More at this link <https://cayelincastell.com/imbolc-candlemass-and-the-february-cross-quarter/>

Juno stations Retrograde in Libra February 8 and is very near the star

Spica, a magical star located in the hand of the Virgin Priestess visible in the morning sky this time of year. Spica reminds us we reap what we sow. When considering the themes of conscious equal partnership and creating healthy interdependent ways of relating it helps to remember this includes personal committed partnerships but also the partnerships we form in community and with the world at large.



It is essential to know ourselves through our individual expression and the gifts we have to offer to the greater whole of life. From this place we attract our significant others, including family and community or tribe, creating healthy interdependent relationships that honor and value our individual expression and the gifts we share and incorporate into the greater collective. This has the effect of enhancing not only our personal experience but the experience of all involved. Transforming the current relationship and partnership paradigm, through consistent acts of cooperation and caring, create an environment that promotes health and harmony.

This is a huge boost to the Venus Journey currently underway in Libra (from November 1, 2018 to June 9, 2020) with the Libra Meta Goddess on the world stage for the first time in 155 years. This is telling us it is time to revision the Relational Feminine who has just passed through the throat chakra gate January 28.

Juno began her journey in Libra November 3, 2019 and is traveling through this seasonal sign in the Virgin Priestess until September 21, 2020. This is a rare event that happened in 2006 to 2007 and won't happen again until 2032 to 2033. More here including a revision of the relational mythology that has shaped our current culture.

<https://cayelincastell.com/juno-in-libra/>

Mercury goes retrograde in Pisces February 16

<https://cayelincastell.com/mercury-retrograde/>

and more about Mercury in Pisces <https://cayelincastell.com/mercury-in-pisces/>

Zodiacal Light

This month is good for seeing the Zodiacal Light about one to two hours after sunset on clear moonless nights. The zodiacal light is a faint, roughly triangular, whitish glow seen in the night sky which appears to extend up from the vicinity of the sun along the ecliptic or zodiac. In mid-northern latitudes, the zodiacal light is best observed in the western sky in the spring after the evening twilight has completely disappeared, or in the eastern sky in the autumn just before the morning twilight



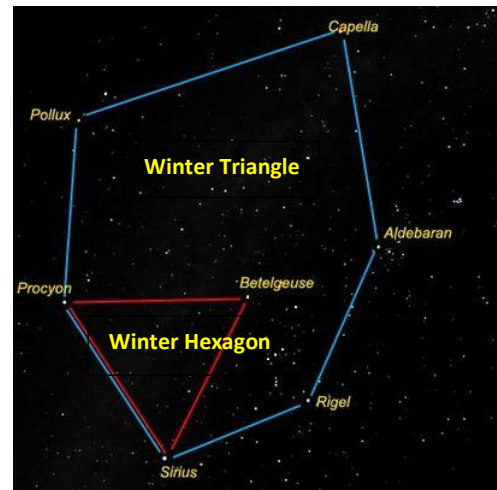
appears. It is so faint that it is completely masked by either moonlight or light pollution.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zodiacal_light

Stars worth noting in the Night Sky this Month

This month Procyon, Sirius and Betelgeuse form the near perfect equilateral triangle known to some cultures as Heaven's Gate or to modern day astronomers as the Winter Triangle.

Procyon (11 light years from Earth) is the star known as "before the dog" rising just before the dog star Sirius (8 light years from Earth) our brightest fixed star. Look for Sirius to the lower left of the three stars of Orion's belt. The bright red star Betelgeuse marks the shoulder of Orion above the three belt stars.



Libra Evening Star Throat Chakra Gate

Until Feb 16 All Planets Are Moving Forward

Jan 24 Aquarius New Moon	04 Aquarius 22
Jan 28 Venus Moon conjunction	18 Pisces
Feb 03 Mercury Enters Pisces	
Feb 07 Venus Enters Aries	
Feb 08 Juno Retrograde	21 Libra 39 near Spica
Feb 09 Leo Full Moon	20 Leo (10 degrees from Regulus)
Feb 10 Venus Chiron Conjunct	02 Aries 55
Feb 16 Mars enters Capricorn	
Feb 16 Mercury Retrograde	13 Pisces - until March 09
Feb 23 Pisces New Moon	4 Pisces 29 near Fomalhaut
Feb 27 Next Venus Gate	22 Aries

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A small image of a crescent moon and a star, likely representing the conjunction of Venus and the Moon.

More on February 2020

I created a new video for 2020 - the second in a series I am creating.

Here is Part One in case you missed it. <https://youtu.be/Eva1k-skUIE>

And here is Part Two just posted in the last couple of weeks.

<https://youtu.be/idepo7u22rQ>

Be sure to like and subscribe to my YouTube channel as that keeps YouTube from kicking me off their platform according to their new rules.

Saturday February 29 only comes around every 4 years representing the Leap Day of this Leap Year.

The solar year is actually 365 days, 5 hours, 49 minutes, and 12 seconds. The Gregorian Calendar compensates for the extra hours, minutes and seconds by adding an extra day, or intercalating a day, every four years.

This keeps the Gregorian Calendar from drifting away from the seasonal calendar. In fact, it takes over 3,000 years for this calendar to drift as much as one whole day. So among the other interesting factors of 2020 - it is actually a day longer than the usual 365 days we normally observe.

The challenge of this precise linear type of calendar is it fixates our consciousness in a very left brain rational linear way. Calendars connected to the Moon cycle is far less precise and requires more adjustments over time but it operates from a more right brain intuitive place.

So this is not say one is better than the other as they both have useful attributes. Ideally, we work with both the Solar Calendar and the Lunar Calendar to keep us connected to both the more rational and intuitive sides of ourselves.

Other cultures such as the Sumerians and Mayans also tracked the Venus Cycle as a way of knowing what time it was in the greater scheme of things.

And of course there is the Great Year (about 25,920 years of precession of the Solstices and Equinoxes through the constellations) that is most likely resetting to a new Great Year between 1962 to 2034 or 1926 to 2070 depending on how you choose to count it.

Why? See this 15 minute video explanation on the difference between signs and constellations. Be sure to like and subscribe to my YouTube channel as explained before. <https://youtu.be/q-svuwjprVc>

Feb 29 if you have clear skies there is a beautiful display of Mars in line with Jupiter and Saturn and Mars will be catching up to them both in March in morning sky. See star map above.

Venus appears high after sunset climbing from about 35° to a bit more than 41° above the horizon by the end of February brightening from a -4.1 magnitude to a -4.3 magnitude setting about three hours and 20 minutes after the Sun on February 1 and around three hours and 40 minutes by February 29.

In March Venus reaches its highest position above the horizon and it's eight year cycle coinciding with its close encounter with the Pleiades on exact on April 3.



Mercury appears much lower than Venus at nightfall in the first two weeks of February visible about 10° above the WSW horizon shortly after sunset.

From February 1 to the 14th Mercury dims from a -1.0 magnitude to a +0.2 magnitude as it prepares to Station retrograde on February 16 reaching its greatest elongation of 18.2° from the Sun on February 10.

From February 14 to the 17th Mercury fades from a +0.2 magnitude to a +1.6 magnitude as it heads towards its conjunction with the Sun on February 25. This is when Mercury is between the Sun and the Earth while retrograde.

On February 15 Neptune is not visible to the naked eye but is about 5.8° to the east of Mercury. **Neptune** is exactly conjunction the Sun on March 8.

Mars rises about three hours before the Sun in February brightening from a +1.4 magnitude to a +1.1 magnitude. The red planet is above the tea pot also known as the Archer in the second half of February.

On the morning of February 18 the Moon occults Mars visible in North America. (See sky map)

Jupiter begins February rising about 90 minutes before the Sun and ends the month rising about 2 1/2 hours before the Sun. Jupiter is brightening from a -1.9 magnitude to a -2.0 magnitude.

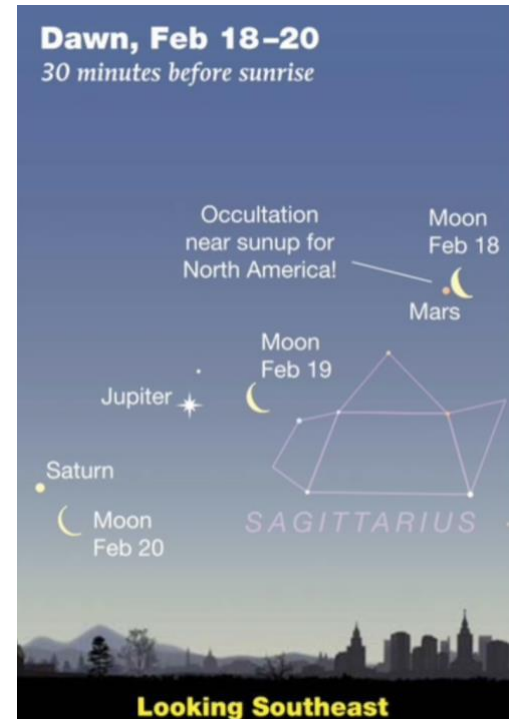
Jupiter is gaining ground on Saturn nearing the borderline of the archer and the goat fish. It is worth tracking these two planets as they move east word relative to the background of the stars.

Saturn rises about an hour Before the sun as February begins at about two hours by the end of the month. Saturn remains dimmer Add about +0.6 to +0.7Magnitude.

Mars is catching up to both Jupiter and Saturn and will be visible with these two planets In March.

Saturn crosses the ecliptic heading south on February 13 and Venus crosses the ecliptic heading north around the same time. Jupiter is also descending south of the ecliptic and Mars is crossing south on February 1. Mercury is crossing north ascending on February 7.

The waiting Lunar Crescent is a few degrees to the right of Jupiter on February 19 and on February 20 close to Saturn within 2 to 3°. On February 27 the waxing Crescent it's about 5° to the left of Venus after sunset on February 27.



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February							
Feb 1 2020	Venus	23°Pi27' D	Sxt	Pluto	23°Cp27' D	11:06:55 PM	PST
Feb 3 2020	Mercury	00°Pi00' D	enters	Pisces	00°Pi00' D	3:37:17 AM	PST
Feb 3 2020	Venus	25°Pi23' D	Sxt	Saturn	25°Cp23' D	2:01:19 PM	PST
Feb 5 2020	Mercury	02°Pi56' D	Sxt	Uranus	02°Ta56' D	1:42:51 AM	PST
Feb 28 2020	Mercury	03°Pi39' R	Sxt	Uranus	03°Ta39' D	7:12:45 PM	PST
Feb 7 2020	Venus	00°Ar00' D	enters	Aries	00°Ar00' D	12:02:18 PM	PST
Feb 10 2020	Venus	02°Ar56' D	Cnj	Chiron	02°Ar56' D	12:05:31 AM	PST
Feb 16 2020	Mars	00°Cp00' D	enters	Capricorn	00°Cp00' D	3:32:54 AM	PST
Feb 16 2020	Mercury	12°Pi53' R	Retrograde			4:53:53 PM	PST
Feb 18 2020	Sun	00°Pi00' D	enters	Pisces	00°Pi00' D	8:56:52 PM	PST
Feb 20 2020	Jupiter	17°Cp46' D	Sxt	Neptune	17°Pi46' D	7:56:08 AM	PST
Feb 21 2020	Mars	03°Cp22' D	Tri	Uranus	03°Ta22' D	1:09:57 AM	PST
Feb 21 2020	Mars	03°Cp29' D	Sqr	Chiron	03°Ar29' D	5:16:09 AM	PST
Feb 22 2020	Sun	03°Pi25' D	Sxt	Uranus	03°Ta25' D	6:12:54 AM	PST
Feb 23 2020	Venus	18°Ar21' D	Sqr	Jupiter	18°Cp21' D	8:58:53 AM	PST
Feb 24 2020	Sun	05°Pi56' D	Sxt	Mars	05°Cp56' D	6:05:34 PM	PST
Feb 25 2020	Sun	06°Pi55' D	Cnj	Mercury	06°Pi55' R	5:44:36 PM	PST
Feb 25 2020	Mercury	06°Pi44' R	Sxt	Mars	06°Cp44' D	9:58:26 PM	PST
Feb 28 2020	Venus	24°Ar14' D	Sqr	Pluto	24°Cp14' D	2:08:11 PM	PST

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