

Spheres Of Light



Full Moon in Aries — 2nd October 2020



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THE EMPEROR • MARDUK



(Image is from the "Babylonian Tarot" written & illustrated by Sandra Tabatha Cicero)

Aries Full Moon Circle — Friday 2nd October (2/10/20 7:05am)

This Aries Full Moon calls for a release of the misconception that there is anything wrong with you. To say there is, is to say god, spirit, source is wrong too. This is a Full Moon that calls you towards a path of greater understanding that you are both human and spirit. To start or continue to enjoy the ride of being in physical form, when we see beyond the heaviness of our physical energy, we start to embrace how fleeting and fun life truly is. This is not your first birth and it probably won't be your last. So, remember there is an eternal energy that lives and animates all that is around you, and in the form you have taken you are being given the opportunity to become aware of it.

Aries is the sign of initiating and generating the fires of life through its ruler ship over the head. Aries gives the courage and initiative needed to find the ~ I AM ~ within. Through the sign of spring, the bursting forth of life into being is achieved as the impregnating processes of all nature come under its primary domain.

On this night we will connect to the energy of the Aries Full Moon under the guidance of Marduk who is the Sumerian God of justice, healing, agriculture and magic.

Marduk

Marduk was portrayed as the very King of Gods, whose fields of 'expertise' ranged from justice, healing to agriculture and magic. Marduk was the son of Enki, and he was responsible for slaying Tiamat, the primeval goddess who took a dragon form to challenge many of the younger gods (as an act of revenge, instigated by the murder of her husband Apsû). Marduk also defeated the god Quingu (Tiamat's new consort) in single combat, while also decimating the enemy host of many monsters and 'poison-filled' serpents. These heroic acts propelled him to the forefront of the new order of gods – who, in turn, unanimously proclaimed Marduk as their new king.

Emperor Tarot Card

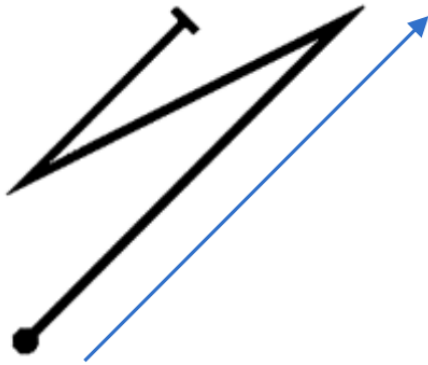
The Babylonian Tarot - Key 4 - The Emperor - Marduk, displays the Patron god of Babylon. The name of Marduk is said to mean, "Bull Calf of the Sun" or "Bull Calf of the Storm". Hence, he is also attributed with the Tempest and Storm.

You are on top of things and everything is under your control. It is your hard work, discipline and self control that have brought you this far. It means that you are in charge of your life now setting up your own rules and boundaries.



Ritual Opening

OPENING THE QUARTERS



EAST

I open the Eastern gates of Air
Come forth with your mighty winds
Circle us with your power and inspiration
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge this circle.
As be your will.

Trace the sigil then walk the circle sunwise once with athame or finger creating the circle boundary projecting the colour yellow saying:

By the power of the Dragons of Air may this circle be blessed, cleansed and sanctified.

NORTH

I open the Northern gates of Fire
Come forth with your fiery breath
Circle us with your strength and power
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge this circle.
As be your will.

Trace the sigil then walk the circle sunwise once with athame or finger creating the circle boundary projecting the colour red saying:

By the power of the Dragons of Fire may this circle be blessed, cleansed and sanctified.

WEST

I open the Western gates of Water
Come forth with your power of the primordial ocean
Circle us with the power of connective energy
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge this circle.
As be your will.

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Trace the sigil then walk the circle sunwise once with athame or finger creating the circle boundary projecting the colour blue saying:

By the power of the Dragons of Water may this circle be blessed, cleansed and sanctified.

SOUTH

I open the Southern gates of Earth
Come forth with your protective force
Circle us with the powers of manifestation
I call thee to come forth and protect and charge this circle.
As be your will.

Trace the sigil then walk the circle sunwise once with athame or finger creating the circle boundary projecting the colour green saying:

By the power of the Dragons of Earth may this circle be blessed, cleansed and sanctified.

Person hosting the ritual stands in front of altar and bows and adds salt to the bowl of water, then says:

I [*Dragon Name*] invoke the dragons this night,
Come Dragons of the primordial waters,
Come Dragons from the primal source of creation,
Come Dragons of Lightness and Darkness,
Come Dragons of Chaos and Form,
I invoke you to join us and impart your wisdom and ancient knowledge.
Guard and protect us this night,
As be your will.

INVOCATION TO TIAMAT

Oh Great Goddess Tiamat, stir and arise, awake in the darkness, awake in the abyss,
She who is terrible to face, who devours and swallows up life,
She who brings life to those who face her,
She who is the begetter of dragons.
Stir up oh Dragon Goddess, I summon thee tonight!

INVOCATION TO MARDUK

Thou art chiefest among the great gods,
Thy fate is unequalled, thy word is Anu!
O Marduk, thou art chiefest among the great gods,
Thy fate is unequalled, thy word is Anu!

Ancestor Fire Warrior Meditation

Start the meditation with slow deep breathing, concentrate on feeling the earth below you. Visualise the support of the Earth underneath you, connecting you to the vast wisdom of Mother Nature. Feel her energy enter your body as you inhale, and run up and down the spine as you exhale.

Take a moment and think about who you are and where you are in this moment. Remember that every part of you has been woven together by the fabric of your ancestors, the good and the bad. Their blood, their experiences, their pains, their joys all run through you and shape you.

Call upon the God Marduk to guide and protect you. Visualise you are being transported to a place in between worlds, an ancient meeting place. This place is an ancient battle field and through the darkness you begin to visualize your ancestors starting to form around you. They come with fiery torches from many periods of time and cultures and form a circle around you. In the centre of this circle they build a huge fire and you all dance a warrior dance around this fire.

All your ancestors had to stand in their own power at some time in their life. Allow your ancestors to now tell you their stories to inspire you.

Marduk stands with your ancestors and around this circle of fire. You see the red light flickering on their faces, you feel the heat on your body. You feel the heat in your solar plexus. Marduk asks you to absorb the fire into your soul, so you can draw on its strength when you are faced with a hard situation. Take a moment to feel that fire forming within you. As you take in the fire you feel stronger and more powerful than you have ever felt before.

It is now time for you to return to your realm and the ancestors to return to theirs. We thank all those who have helped shape and create who we are now. We honour their wisdom.

Thank Marduk for guiding and protecting you and see yourself returning to your body. Wriggling your fingers and toes.

Take a few moments after your meditation to gather your thoughts and emotions and when you are ready open your eyes.

Affirmation for the full moon in Aries:

I am a conductor of heat and energy. I have the power to change my destiny.

Activity

Drumming through the chakras, starting with the earth star below our feet. We concentrate on bringing through the fire of the Earth's core through the power of the drum. Once the fire has cleansed each of the chakras with the fire and drumming, we move the fire to our solar plexus to our core and then we align our core with the earth's core by seeing a cord from our solar plexus connecting to the Earth's core. We then can feel the power of the fire moving up the cord which we can use for healing of ourselves and for magic.



Ritual Closing

MARDUK CLOSING

Thank you Marduk, chiefest among the great gods,
For your guidance and protection on our journey tonight.
Hail and farewell.

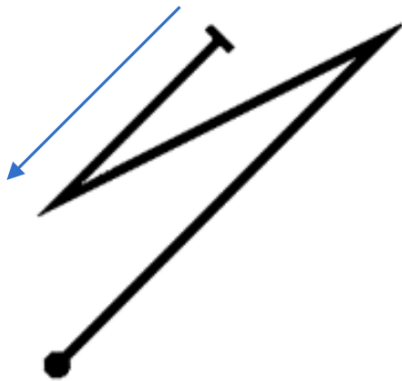
TIAMAT CLOSING

Oh Great Goddess Tiamat, thank you for arising
and awakening in the darkness and the abyss.
Thank you for assisting in our journey.
I release thee.

DRAGONS CLOSING

Dragons of the primordial waters,
Dragons from the primal source of creation,
Dragons of Lightness and Darkness,
Dragons of Chaos and Form,
Thank you for joining us to impart your wisdom and ancient knowledge,
and for guarding and protecting us this night.
Hail and Farewell.

Closing the Quarters



SOUTH

I close the Southern gates of Earth
Thank you for coming forth, witnessing this rite and
protecting this circle.
May you dwell within our hearts,
So shall it be.

Trace the sigil in reverse.

WEST

I close the Western gates of Water
Thank you for coming forth, witnessing this rite and
protecting this circle.
May you dwell within our hearts,
So shall it be.

Trace the sigil in reverse.

NORTH

I close the Northern gates of Fire
Thank you for coming forth, witnessing this rite and
protecting this circle.
May you dwell within our hearts,
So shall it be.

Trace the sigil in reverse.

EAST

I close the Eastern gates of Air
Thank you for coming forth, witnessing this rite and
protecting this circle.
May you dwell within our hearts,
So shall it be.

Trace the sigil in reverse.

Person who is hosting the ritual says:

By the power of the Dragons this ritual has ended and
the circle is now open.