

# Mars-Venus Conjunctions

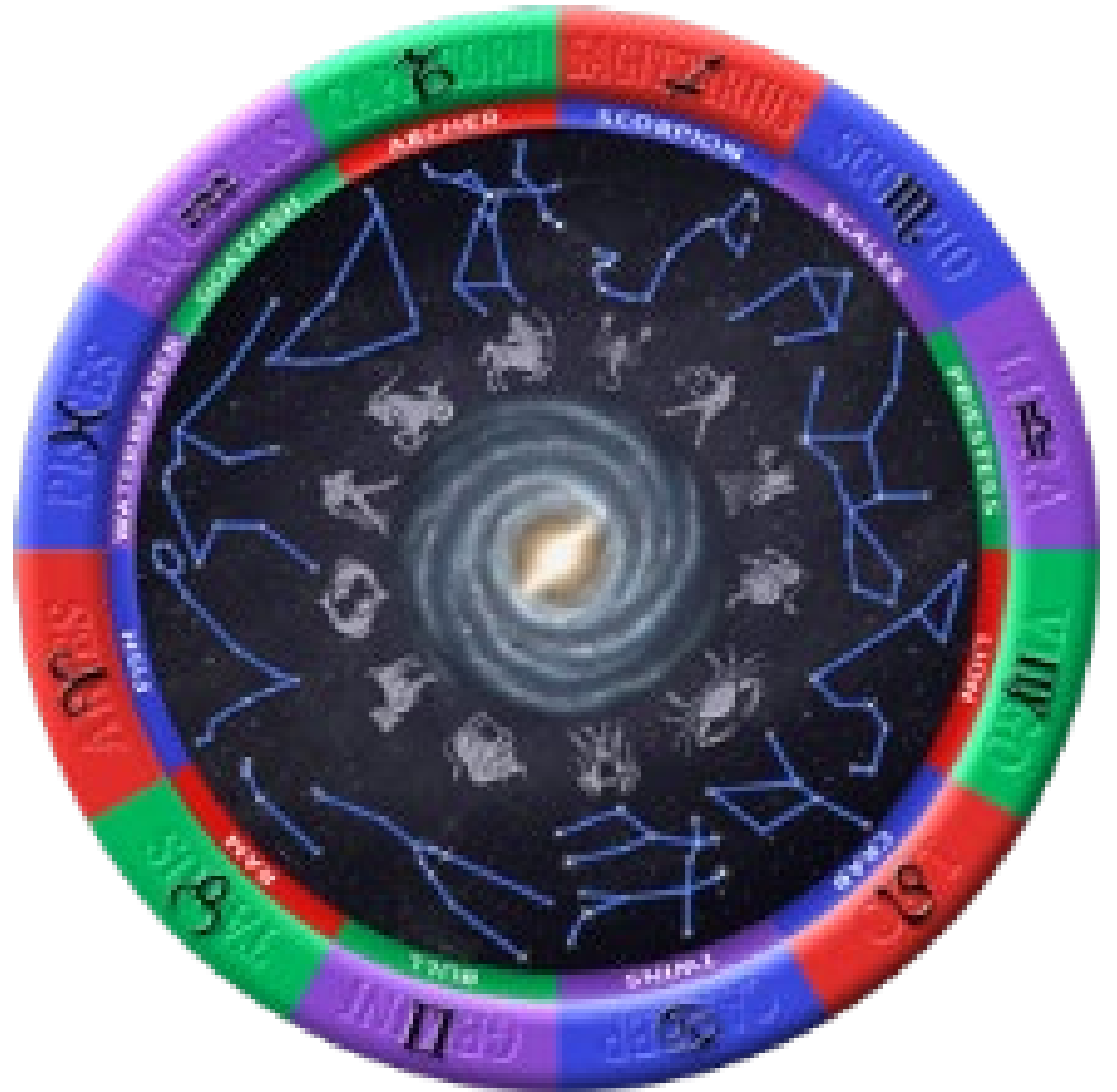
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The Mars and Venus Cycle  
interpretations originated  
from Daniel Giamario in the  
late 1990s. Contributions  
from Erik Roth are also  
presented here.



A **Saga** is an epic storyline spanning generations or even thousands of years in the past.

The Astronomical Alignments of Mars and Venus produce **THREE** *distinct Sagas* that occur regularly close to every 6 ½ years (or 77 months)

The Sagas do change over the centuries, co-creating with humanity new expressions of the masculine/feminine relationships

# **When do the Sagas of Mars and Venus Begin?**

**All Mars-Venus Sagas begin when Mars has an opposition with the Sun (about every 26 months)**

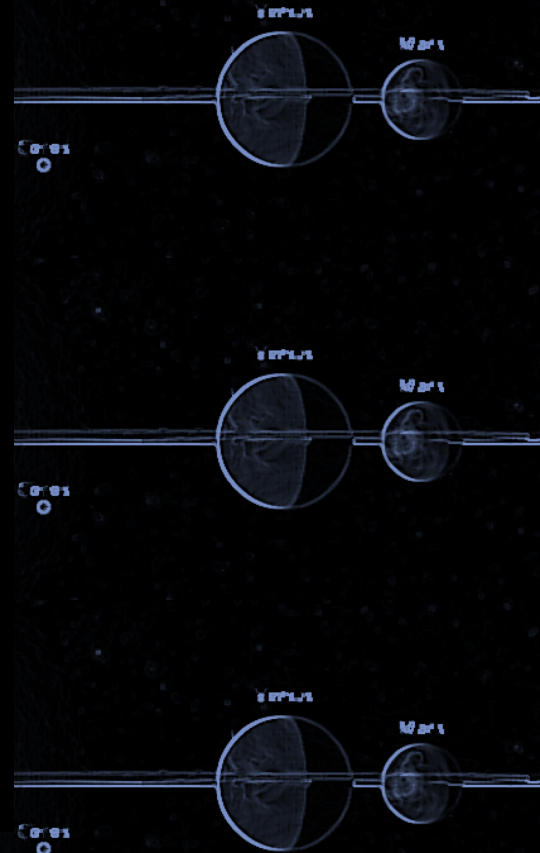
**When a Celestial Body has an opposition with the Sun, this is called an “Acronychal Rise”**

**This current “Saga” began on October 13, 2020 with the acronychal rise of Mars in the sign of Aries and ends December 7, 2022**

# The Rapunzel/Dumuzi SAGA

1 visible evening meeting (over one lunation) between Mars and Venus

One long visible morning meeting between Mars and Venus



<b>Heliacal Rise</b>	01/14/2022 (when 10° from Sun)	15° 04' Rx Capricorn	Near star Nunki Visible on January 15, 2022	10 degrees	Morning Star – New Cycle Begins January 15, 2022
<b>Venus Stations Direct</b>	1/29/2022	11° 05' Cap		28 degrees	Morning Sky
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Gate</b>	1/29/2022	11° 05' Cap		28 degrees	Morning Sky - Descends
Mars-Venus <u>Conj</u>	2/16/2022	16° 53' Cap	Archer Const	41 degrees	Morning Sky
Vesta-Venus <u>Conj</u>	2/27/2022	24° 38' Cap	Archer Const	44 degrees	Morning Sky
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Gate</b>	2/27/2022	24° 18' Cap	<b>Venus With Moon, Mars, Vesta, Pluto</b>	44 degrees	Morning Sky
Pluto-Venus <u>Conj</u>	3/3/2022	27° 50' Cap	Archer Const	45 degrees	Morning Sky
Mars-Venus <u>Conj</u>	3/5/2022	00° 01' Aqu		45 ½ degrees	Morning Sky
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Gate</b>	3/28/2022	21° 29' Aqu	<b>Venus With Moon and Saturn</b>	46 degrees	Morning Sky
Saturn-Venus <u>Conj</u>	3/28/2022	21° 44' Aqu	Conjunct Saturn	46 degrees	Morning Sky
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Gate</b>	4/26/2022	23° 47' Pisces	Venus With Moon	43 degrees	Morning Sky



Venus Heliacal Rise on January 15, 2022  
Capricorn Overtone

# The Mars Synodic Cycle

- The Mars Synodic Cycle lasts on average, 26 months
- Mars' Synodic Cycle begins when Mars is at **opposition to the Sun**, when it is **closest and brightest to Earth** (Mars Rises as the Sun Sets)
- Mars is in retrograde when Synodic Cycle begins
- There are six phases to a Mars Synodic Cycle:
  - Birth/Emergence (Phase 1)
  - Labors/Tasks of Mars (Phase 2)
  - Underworld/Surrender (Phase 3)
  - **Rebirth (Phase 4) – current phase**
  - Maturity/Knowledge (Phase 5)
  - Metamorphosis (Phase 0)

# Helping to define the masculine through the **use of overtones** (may also be referred to as “overstory”)

We are born with both a Mars sign AND a Mars  
Overtone

This overtone assists us in clarifying what version of  
the masculine that is emerging within us (any  
gender)

The overtone is akin to the matrix in which our Mars  
sign is being experienced (kind of like the  
environment)

Essentially, the intent of having an overtone (and a  
Mars sign) is to live and explore the light and  
shadows of that combination of sign and overtone





# Mars in Aries Synodic Cycles

## Mars-Sun Opposition Points (Acronychal Rises) in Aries

### Most Recent:

Oct 13 2020 - 21° 04' Aries

**Magnitude**  
- 2.62

### Previous:

Sept 28 1988 - 05° 13' Aries

- 2.75

Oct 10 1941 - 16° 49' Aries

- 2.64

Sept 24 1909 - 00° 42' Aries

- 2.77

Oct 20 1894 - 27° 31' Aries

- 2.52

### Future:

Oct 2 2067 - 09° 42' Aries

- 2.73

# PHASE 4

Mars appears in the morning sky on 11/22/2021, bringing in a new phase of its synodic cycle.

This can be considered a rebirth or awakening to emerging masculine (within all people) in three sets:

- 1) Deeper level awareness of balancing out passions/desires with fears as an ally and not being in control.
- 2) Resistance to a healthy masculine and a digging of a deeper entrenchment of the old story.
- 3) A combination of the first two in various shades.

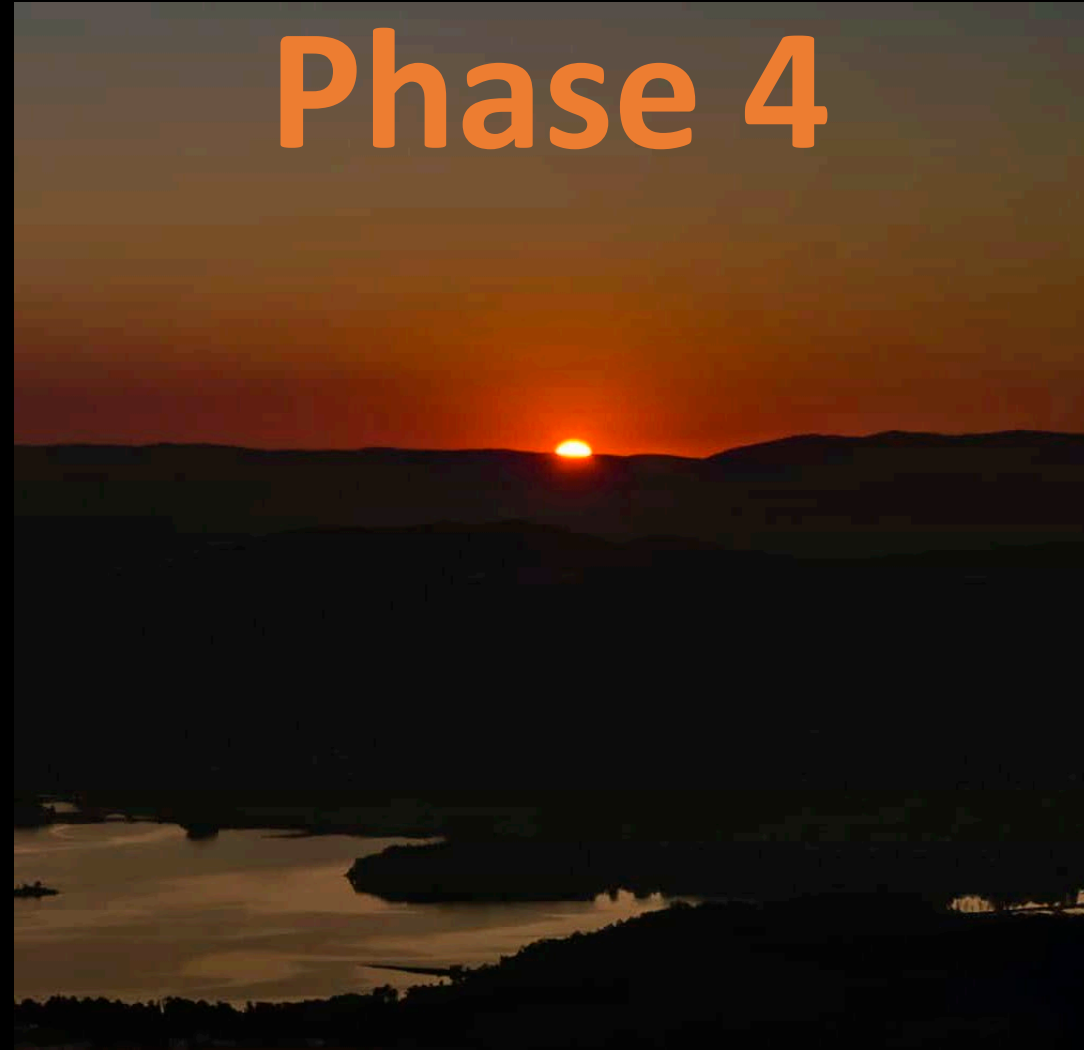
Date			Mars	Sign	Degrees from the Sun		
Nov	22	2021	Rises in the east before Sunrise	15°48'Sco	15	Degrees	Ascends
Dec	02	2021	Conjunct Moon	22°46'Sco	18	Degrees	AM Star
Dec	07	2021	Mars squares Jupiter	26°24'Sco	20	Degrees	AM Star
Dec	13	2021	Mars enters sign of Sagittarius	00°00'Sag	22	Degrees	AM Star
Dec	15	2021	Mars conjunct South Node	01°41'Sag	23	Degrees	AM Star
Dec	31	2021	Conjunct Moon Near star Antares	12°58'Sag	27	Degrees	AM Star
Jan	11	2022	Mars squares Neptune	20°53'Sag	31	Degrees	AM Star
Jan	20	2022	Mars at Galactic Center	27°09'Sag	33	Degrees	AM Star
Jan	24	2022	Mars enters sign of Capricorn	00°00'Cap	34	Degrees	AM Star
Jan	25	2022	Venus and Mars within 10°	01°16'Cap	35	Degrees	AM Star
Jan	29	2022	Conjunct Moon	03°42'Cap	36	Degrees	AM Star
Feb	06	2022	Mars squares Chiron	09°28'Cap	38	Degrees	AM Star
Feb	16	2022	Venus conjunct Mars	16°53'Cap	41	Degrees	AM Star
Feb	25	2022	Mars conjunct Vesta (with Venus)	23°31'Cap	43	Degrees	AM Star
Feb	27	2022	Conjunct Moon	24°53'Cap	44	Degrees	AM Star
Mar	03	2022	Mars conjunct Pluto	27°50'Cap	45	Degrees	AM Star
Mar	05	2022	Mars enters sign of Aquarius Venus conjunct Mars	00°00'Aqu 00°01'Aqu	45	Degrees	AM Star
Mar	22	2022	Mars squares Uranus	12°26'Aqu	50	Degrees	AM Star
Mar	27	2022	Conjunct Moon	16°28'Aqu	51	Degrees	AM Star
Apr	04	2022	Mars conjunct Saturn	22°24'Aqu	53	Degrees	AM Star
Apr	09	2022	Mars conjunct Juno	26°09'Aqu	55	Degrees	AM Star
Apr	13	2022	Venus and Mars leave 10° Orb	29°18'Aqu	55	Degrees	AM Star
Apr	14	2022	Mars enters sign of Pisces	00°00'Pis	55	Degrees	AM Star
Apr	25	2022	Conjunct Moon	08°14'Pis	58	Degrees	AM Star

# Mars Awakened

Mars, in its 26-month synodic cycle, began its journey all the way back on October 13, 2020, when it reached opposition in Aries with the Sun in Libra. While this rebirthing of Mars on Nov 22, representing the masculine principle, is in Scorpio, the sign of Aries is part of the whole synodic cycle.

In Shamanic Astrology, this rise of Mars represents the vulnerability of the masculine as it awakens from death-rebirth slumber. Mars' light is at its dimmest and its distance from Earth is far. The masculine is opening to a new way of experiencing Aries through the archetype of Scorpio's vitality and will and the balance of the Scales.

## Phase 4



# The Rapunzel / Dumuzi

## SAGA in 2021-22

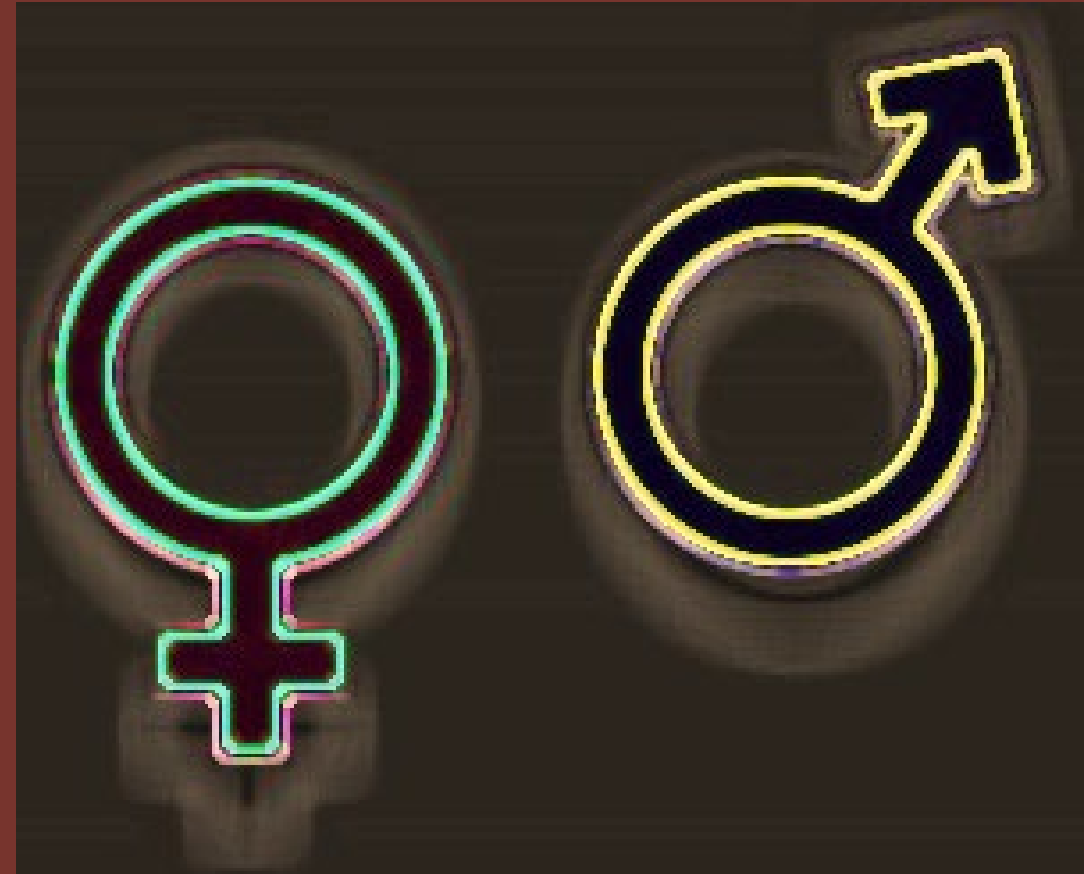
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within 10° of each other

*June 26 to July 30, 2021*

*Jan 25 to April 13, 2022*

**Venus and Mars have 3 exact conjunctions:**

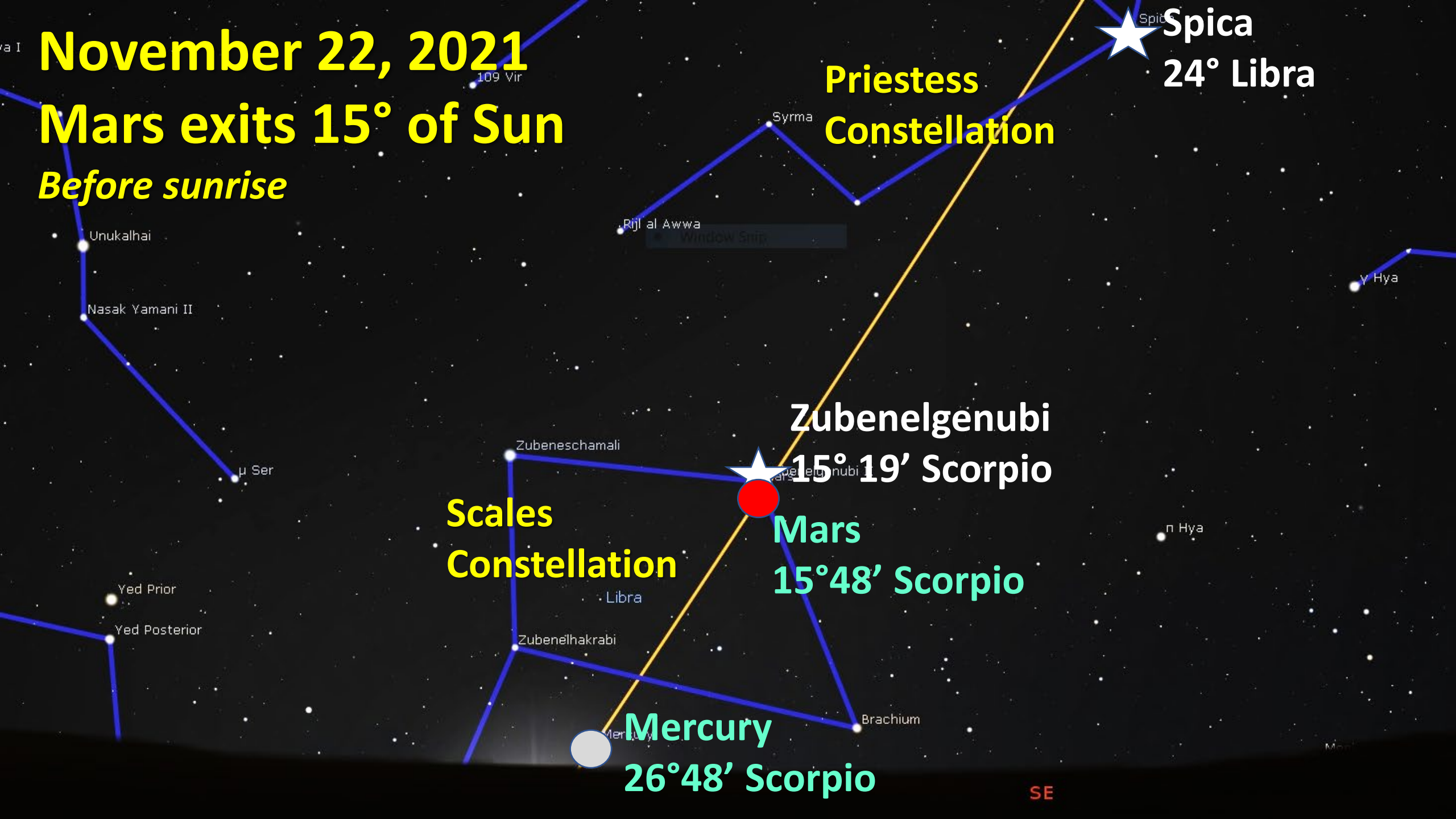
- *July 13, 2021 at 19° 48' Leo (evening)*
- *Feb 16, 2022 at 16° 53' Cap (morning)*
- *March 5, 2022 at 00° 01' Aqu (morning)*



**November 22, 2021**

**Mars exits 15° of Sun**

*Before sunrise*



**Priestess  
Constellation**

**Spica  
24° Libra**

**Scales  
Constellation**

**Zubenelgenubi  
15°19' Scorpio**

**Mars  
15°48' Scorpio**

**Mercury  
26°48' Scorpio**

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# Inner Sacred Marriage Process

- We can see the outflow of major projections into the world but also the “calling out” of those projections and more women choosing to work on their inner masculine or Mars energy
- Dialogue with one’s inner masculine is a key method to engage with your masculine energy (1 of 12 versions) – This is an action directly associated with the “Inner Sacred Marriage Process”
- The Feminine’s reality of the Masculine is vital to the overall masculine’s growth in the world. The more that the masculine actually listens in to the wisdom of the feminine, the more in tune it is with the natural world
- ***For the Feminine to be aware of the true vulnerabilities in the Masculine in the Western World, a bridge can then begin to be built for reciprocal healing as long there is a desire to do so.***
- ***Women / Feminine carry these wounds as well THROUGH the masculine externally and their own animus – so, in part, they are experiencing these wounds/secrets as projections and challenges to do the Sacred Marriage within themselves.***

# The Mars Return Cycle for women and men



This cycle is very similar to the one experienced by men, but its focus is more about 2 factors:

- One's archetypal masculine within
- The outer projected masculine
- Men experience it as a more "personal" emergence of their own archetypal masculinity while women experience more of their relationship with the masculine both within and without

Each of the 6 phases of the Mars points to an important part of the maturation of the person's relationship with the masculine as shown in previous slides

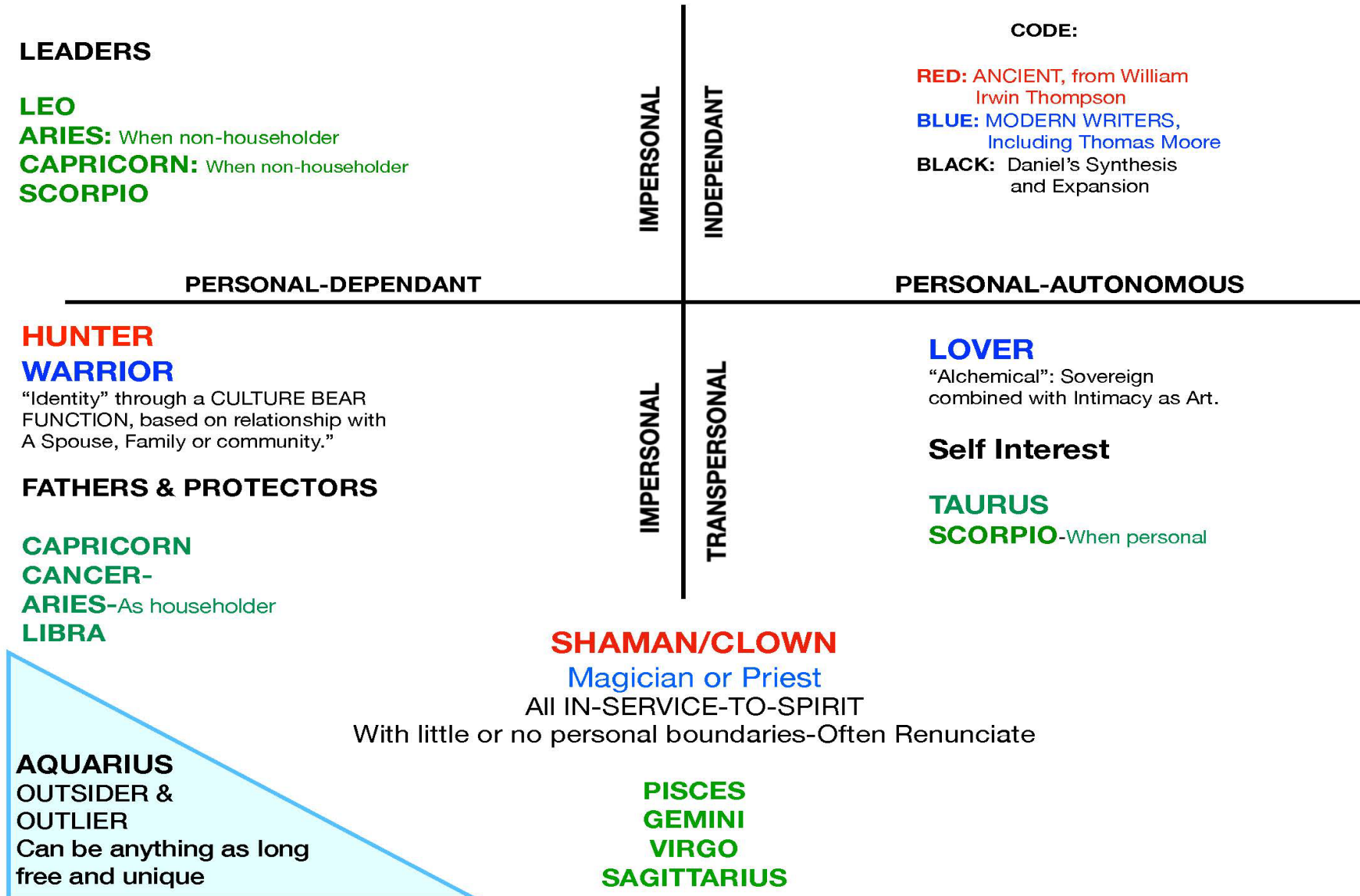
Global and Historical  
Analysis of the  
Archetypes  
of the

*Masculine*



# HEADMAN/KING

KNOWING SELF through Accomplishments  
and Achievement-“Alpha” and Autonomous



# Dumuzi SAGA 32-Year Patterns

## Our Current Pattern

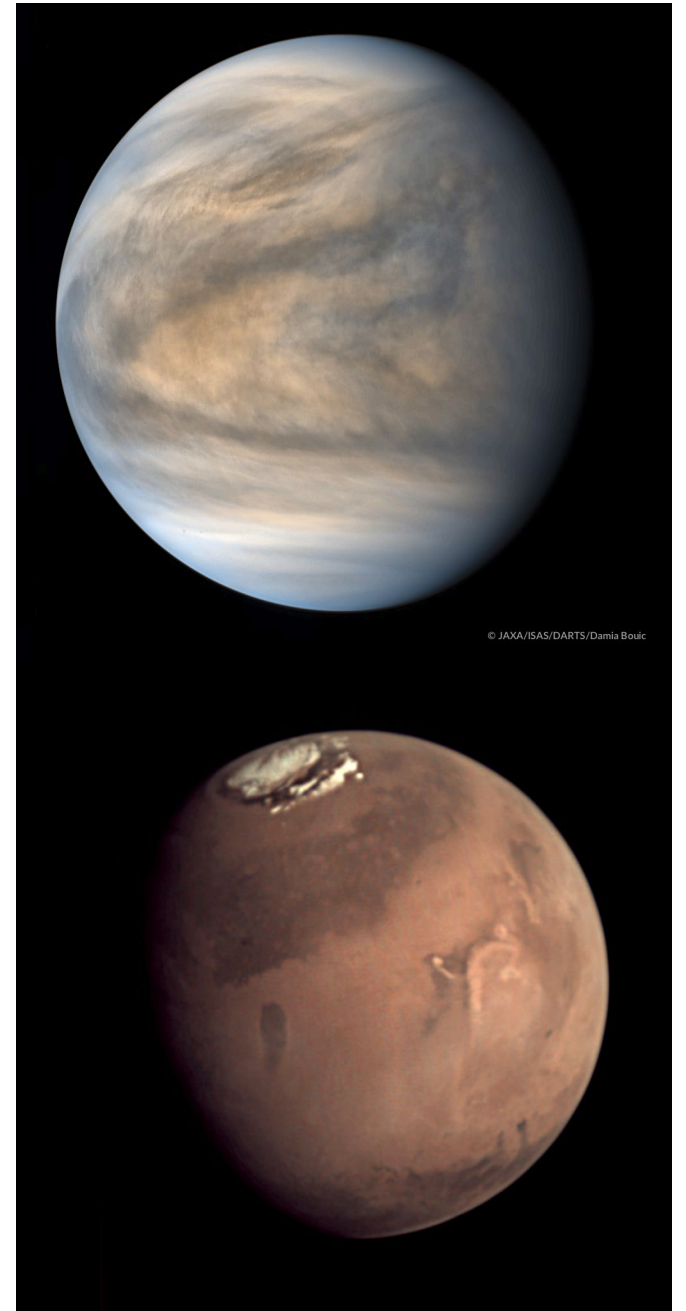
Periods of Time & Overtones	1924-1926 <b>Mars:</b> Pisces <b>Venus:</b> Cancer	1956-1958 <b>Mars:</b> Pisces <b>Venus:</b> Gem	1988-1990 <b>Mars:</b> Aries <b>Venus:</b> Gem	2020-2022 <b>Mars:</b> Aries <b>Venus:</b> Gem	2052-2064 <b>Mars:</b> Taurus <b>Venus:</b> Gem
Exact Evening Conjunctions	1	1	1	1	1
Time of Visible Nearness (10 Deg)	35 days	35 days	51 days	35 days	35 days
Exact Morning Conjunctions	0	0	0	2	2
Time of Visible Nearness (10 Deg)	<i>None (23 days within 20°)</i>	<i>None (65 days within 20°)</i>	48 days	79 days	103 days

# Mars-Venus Conjunctions 2022

The conjunctions of Venus and Mars are part of a larger story of the dance of these two planets called a “saga” in Shamanic Astrology. It recognizes the contributions to the masculine and feminine expressions throughout the ages from the ancient Mesopotamian Inanna-Dumuzi story to the Rapunzel-Prince story beginning in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century and into contemporary times.

This saga called Dumuzi-Rapunzel enters a new phase in early 2022 between January and April when Mars and Venus are within 10 degrees of each other for most of the period. This phase of the story now involves the Venus in Capricorn incarnation mixing with Mars from its original Aries overtone, but now meeting in the signs of Capricorn and Aquarius.

These two conjunctions also involve Pluto and Vesta in Capricorn and so include a deep dose of the deep waters of surrender from Pluto and a sacred reverence of the initiation itself.



# Courtship of Inanna and Dumuzi

This story originates to at least 2000 BCE in ancient Sumer.

The story describes the great courtship of Inanna and Dumuzi. Inanna was originally wanting to bond with a farmer but was persuaded by Dumuzi and Utu, the Sun god and her brother to marry Dumuzi.

Dumuzi is a shepherd-king and fertility god.

The romance of Dumuzi and Inanna would go through a significant transformation in a more well-known story called “***Descent of Inanna***” and as well as the “***The Dream of Dumuzi***”, which both show up in Mars-Venus pattern.

This story was strongly relates to the Mars-Venus Saga with the planets having visible meetings in the evening (1 time) and morning (2 times) skies, also drawing attention to the Descent of Inanna story.



**Inanna and Dumuzi**

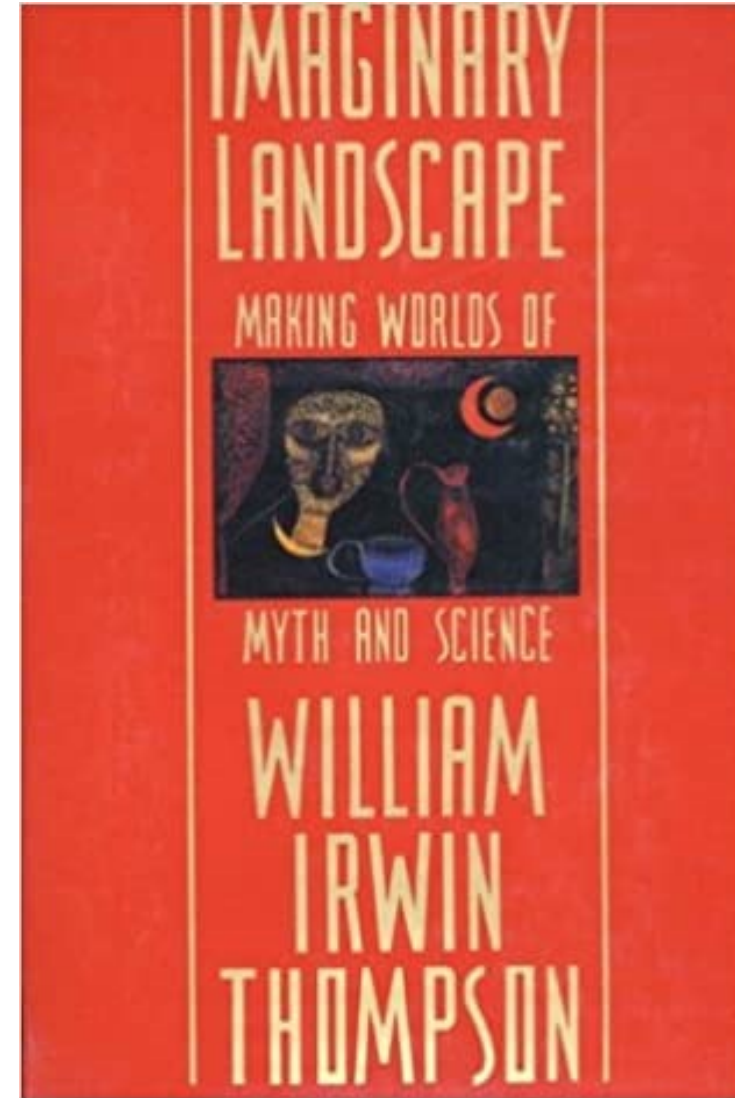
# Inspiration from the Rapunzel Story to the Saga

In William Irwin Thompson's landmark book contains a full chapter about the Rapunzel story and its suggestion that links Venus to Rapunzel and Mars to the Prince in the story.

Daniel was inspired by Thompson's writings and was able to apply it to one of the patterns of the Mars-Venus saga in the Shamanic Astrology Paradigm.

Thompson writes, *"The fairy tale itself is a narrative of the transition from one Platonic 'Magnus Annus' or zodiacal sign in the precession of the poles, to another and is filled with a meticulous knowledge of botany and astrology and helps us to appreciate the 'the science of the concrete' of prehistoric sorceress."*

Pages 11-42 of *Imaginary Landscape*



# Inspiration of the Rapunzel Story

The tale was published by the Brothers Grimm in *Kinder- und Hausmärchen* in 1812. Their source was a story published by Friedrich Schultz (1762–1798) in his *Kleine Romane* (1790).

**Earlier variants include Giambattista Basile's "Petrosinella" (1634/36),** Mademoiselle de la Force's "Persinette" (1698), or Johann Gustav Büsching's "Das Märchen von der Padde", published a few months before Grimm's version in *Volks-Sagen, Märchen und Legenden* (1812). *(from Wikipedia)*

One of the earliest known variant of the Rapunzel story was published in 1634-36. **This was soon after the 1632-34 Mars-Venus Saga that involved only one evening conjunction but also Mars and Venus in the morning sky together for about two months including a time when they are only 2 degrees apart for an 8 days period.** Mars goes into the underworld first after the morning meeting.

**The Rapunzel Saga pattern was strongly seen between 1664-1785, before the Brothers Grimm published this famous story in 1812.**



A postage stamp from East Germany, circa 1978

# Shahnameh and the Original Scene of Rapunzel (from Persia)

Traced back to Rapunzel's inspirational origin, *Shahnameh* is a classical Persian epic poem written by poet Ferdowsi late in the 10th century. The poem spans more than 50,000 couplets long, and among the stories told is the romance of Zal and Rudابه. The infamous scene occurs early in the poem, phrased from an English translation below:

*"Hearing his words, she loosened her hair, which cascaded down, tumbling like snakes, loop upon loop. She said, "Come, take these black locks which I let down for you, and use them to climb up to me." Zal gazed in astonishment at her face and hair, and said, "This would not be just. May the day never dawn when I strike at my soul like this, thrusting my spear into a wounded heart." He took a lariat from his page, looped it, and hurled it upwards without saying another word; the lariat caught on the battlements, and Zal quickly climbed up its sixty cubits."*

From Najma Mohamed, Tera Williams, Faisal Fattani

<https://poddata.org/blog/2021/12/11/tracing-back-rapunzel-letting-down-her-hair/>



PENGUIN CLASSICS

ABOLQASEM FERDOWSI

SHAHNAMEH  
THE PERSIAN BOOK OF KINGS

TRANSLATED BY DICK DAVIS  
FOREWORD BY AZAR NAFISI

**Feb 16, 2022  
before sunrise**

**Venus**  
16°53' Cap

**Vesta**

**Mars**  
16°53' Cap

**Nunki 12° 41'**  
**Capricorn**

**Archer  
Constellation**

**Ascella 13° 56'**  
**Capricorn**

**Capricorn**  
**Aquarius**

**Mercury**  
01°38' Aqu

**Sea-Goat  
Constellation**

Date and Time

Date and Time	Julian Day
Terebellum IV	



# March 6, 2022 before sunrise

Venus  
00°17' Aqu

Archer  
Constellation

Vesta 28° Cap

Mars  
00°15' Aqu

Pluto 28° Cap

Saturn  
Sea-Goat  
Constellation

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Date and Time

Date and Time	Julian Day
2022 - 3 - 6	6 : 19 : 37

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# Transits Feb 16 2022

## Natal Chart

Feb 16 2022, Wed

6:28:18 am PST+8:00

Medford, Oregon

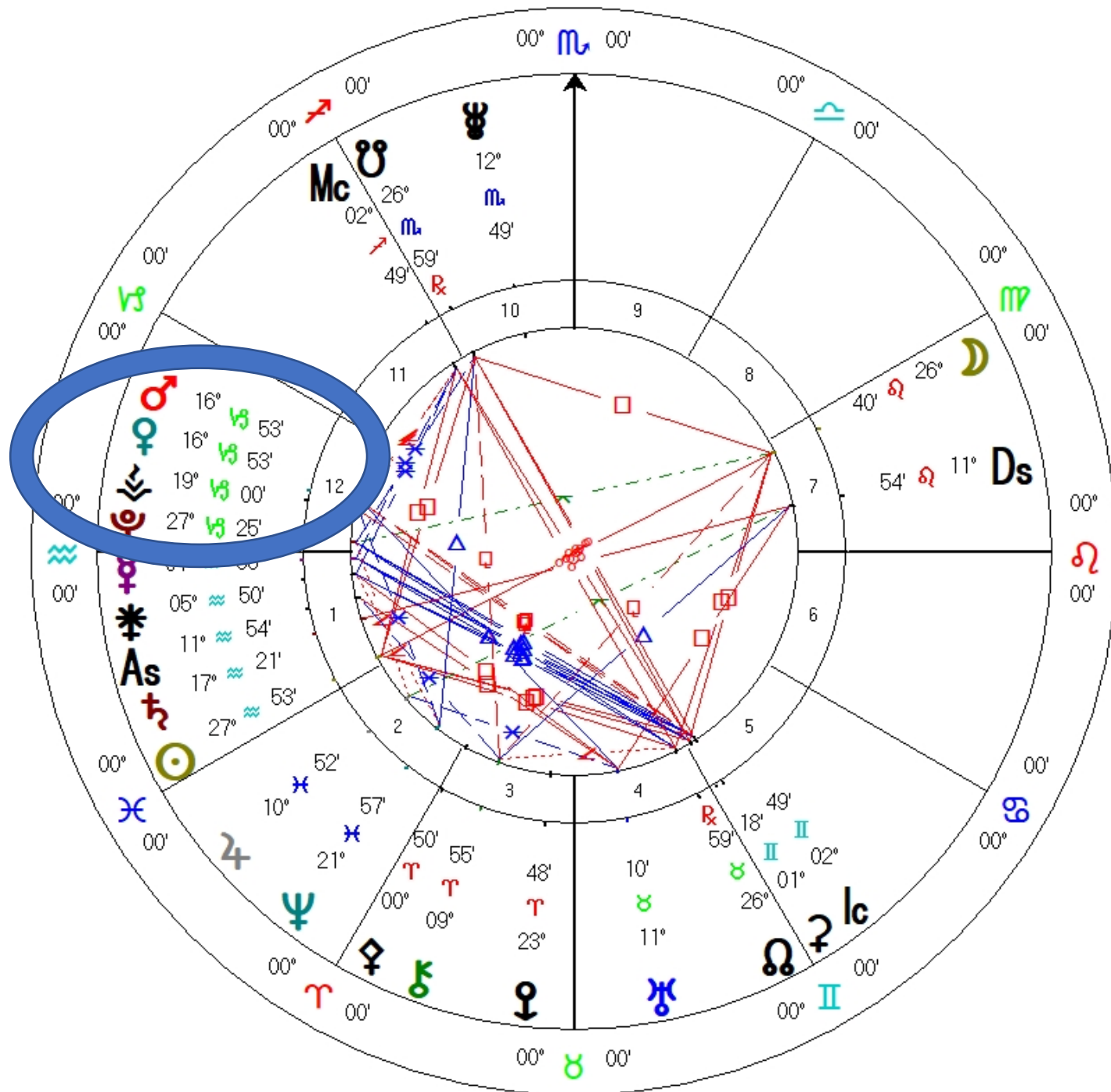
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Geocentric

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Whole Signs

True Node



# Event of Feb 27 2022

## Event Chart

Feb 27 2022, Sun

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Medford, Oregon

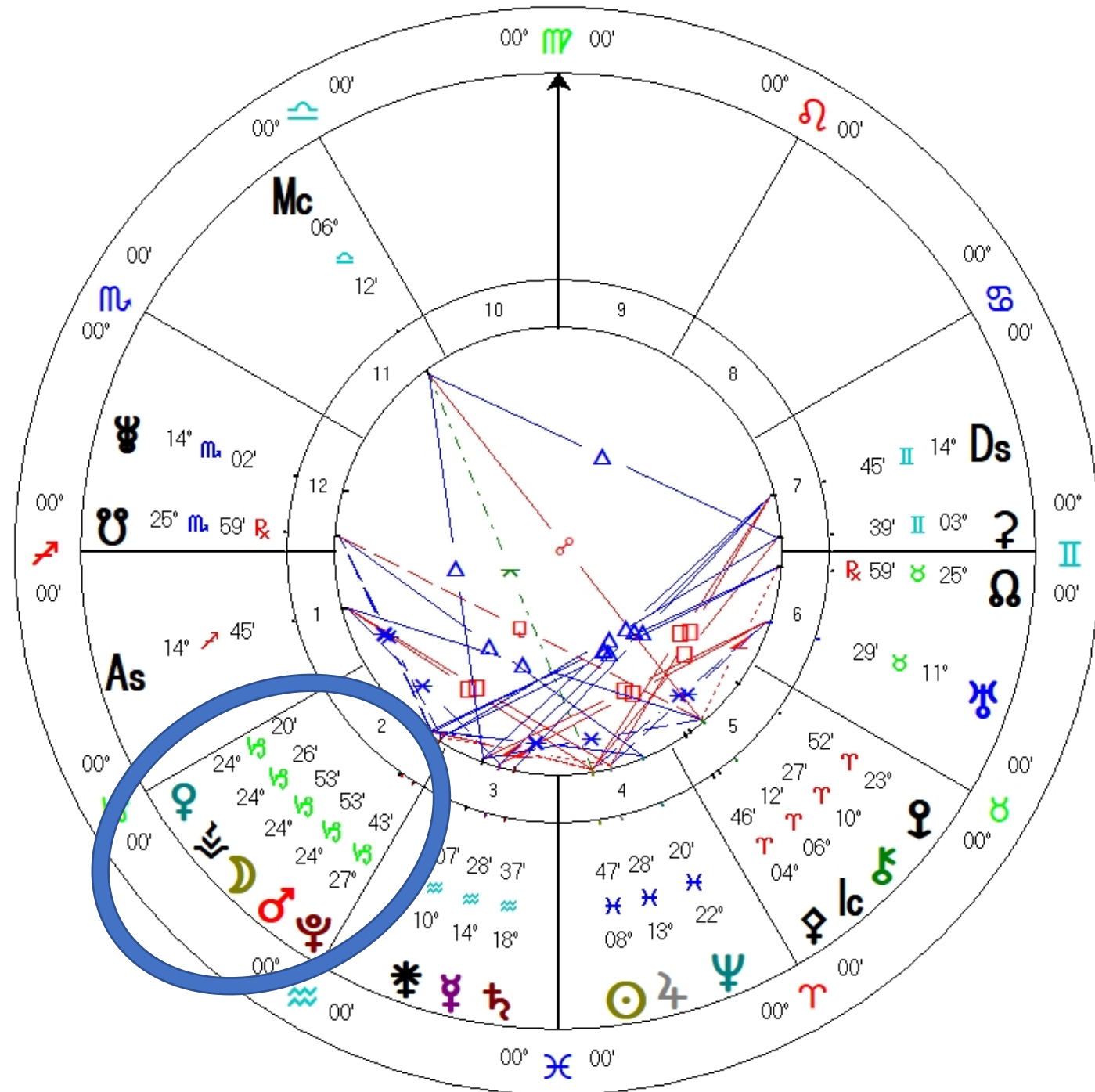
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# Mars-Venus-Pluto Conjunctions

When did they happen?

Year	Month(s)	Sign of Planets
2024	Feb	Cap/Aqu
2022	Feb/Mar	Cap/Aqu
1997	Oct	Sco/Sag
1995	Oct/Nov	Sco/Sag
1978*	Aug/Sep	Libra
1976*	Sep	Libra
1974	Sep/Oct	Libra
1959	Jun/Jul	Leo/Vir
1957	Jul/Aug	Leo
1955*	Aug/Sep	Leo

Year	Month(s)	Sign of Planets
1953	Sep	Leo
1951	Sep/Oct	Leo/Vir
1934	Aug	Can
1932	Aug/Sep	Can
1927	May	Can
1925	Jun	Can
1908*	May/Jun	Gem
1906	May	Gem
1904	Jun	Gem

*\*Very close 3-way conjunctions*

1955: included Vesta and Sun

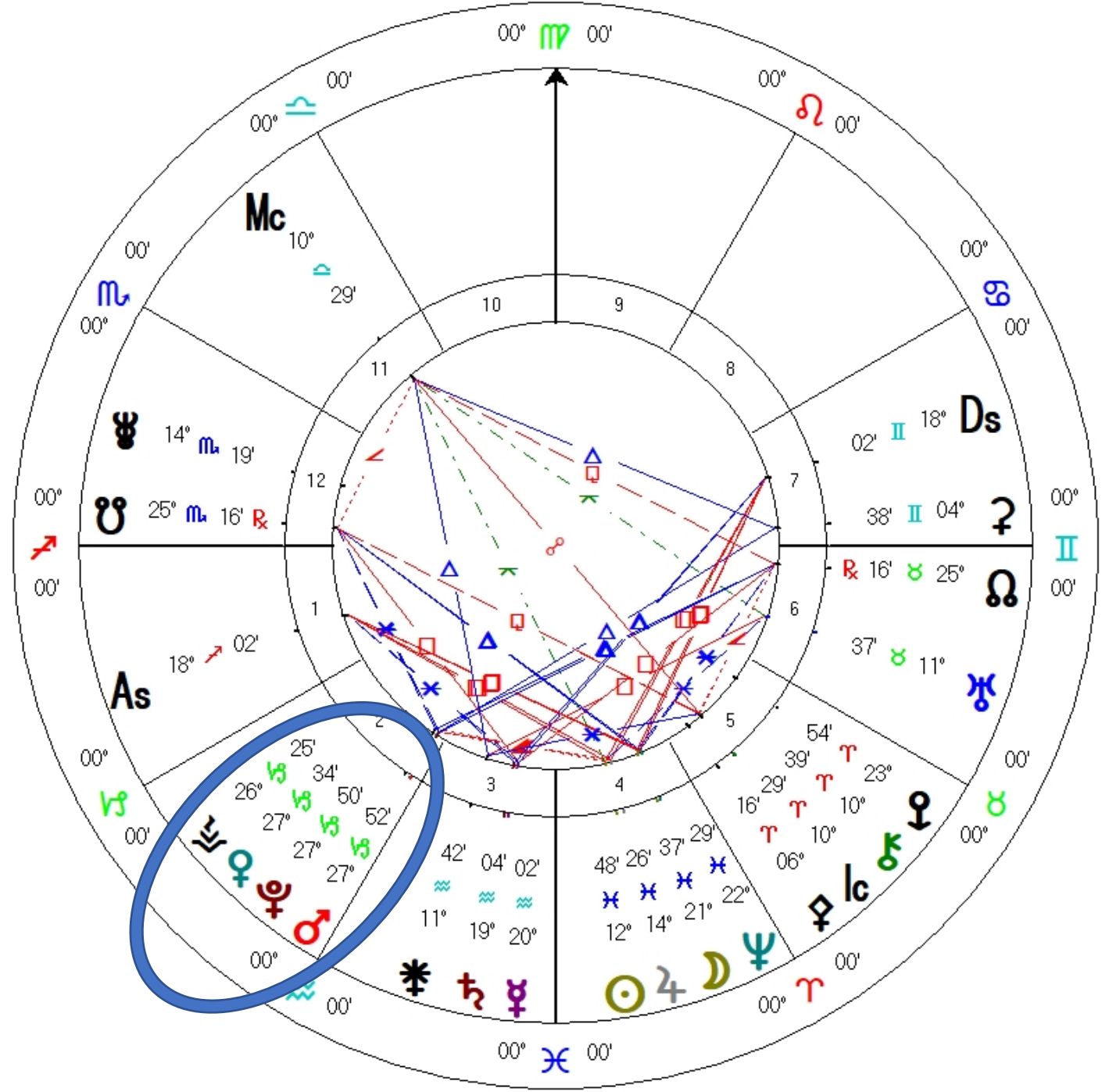
1976: included Mercury and Juno

# Event of Mar 3 2022

## Event Chart

Mar 3 2022, Thu  
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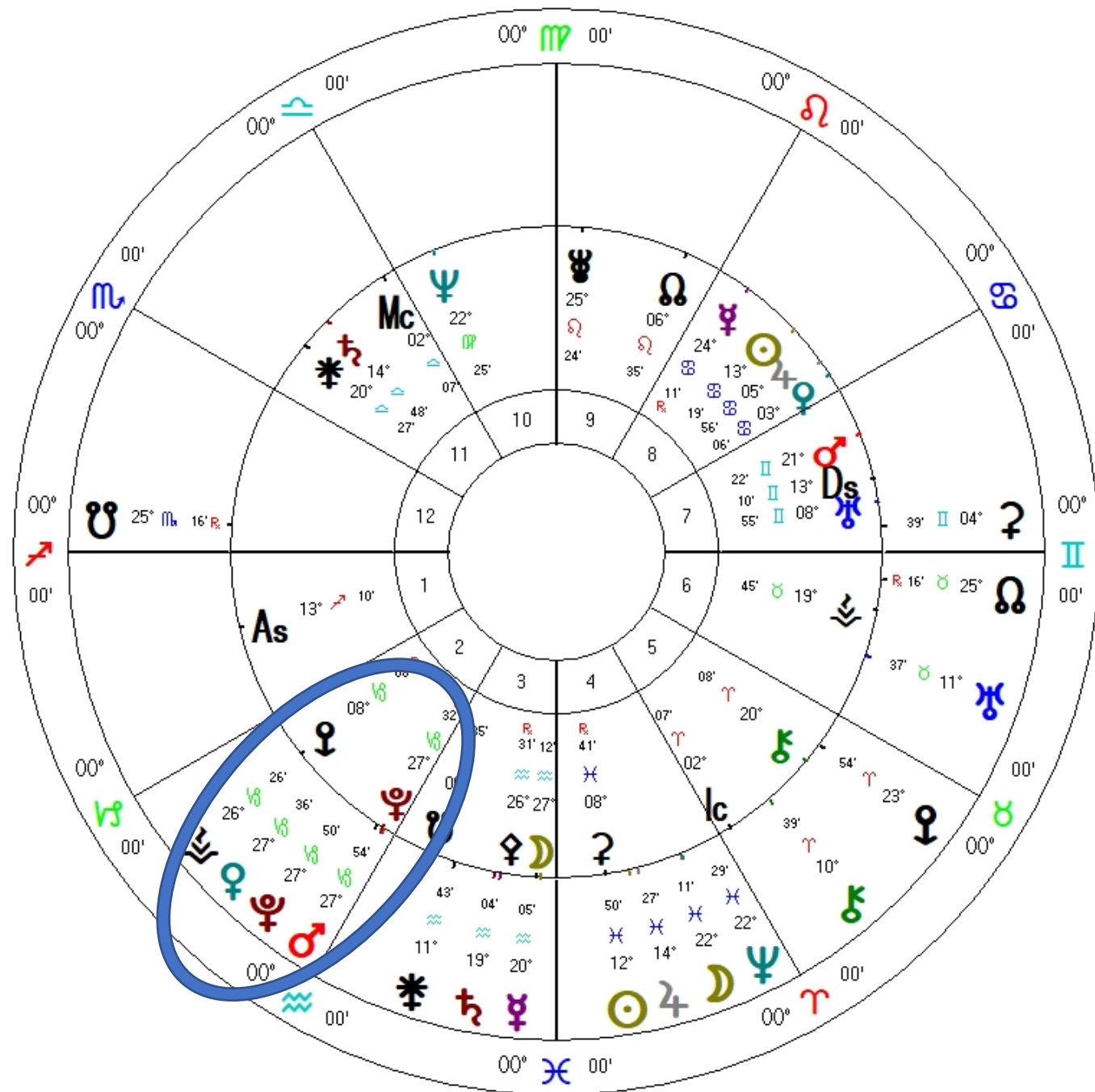


Inner Wheel

# USA – Rudhyar Natal Chart

Jul 4 1776 NS, Thu  
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Philadelphia, PA  
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*Geocentric  
Tropical  
Whole Signs  
True Node*



Outer Wheel

# USA – Rudhyar Event of Mar 3 2022

Transits Chart  
Mar 3 2022, Thu  
6:05 am EST +5:00  
Philadelphia, PA  
39°N57'08" 075°W09'51"

*Geocentric  
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# Transits Mar 5 2022

## Natal Chart

Mar 5 2022, Sat

11:12:10 pm PST+8:00

Medford, Oregon

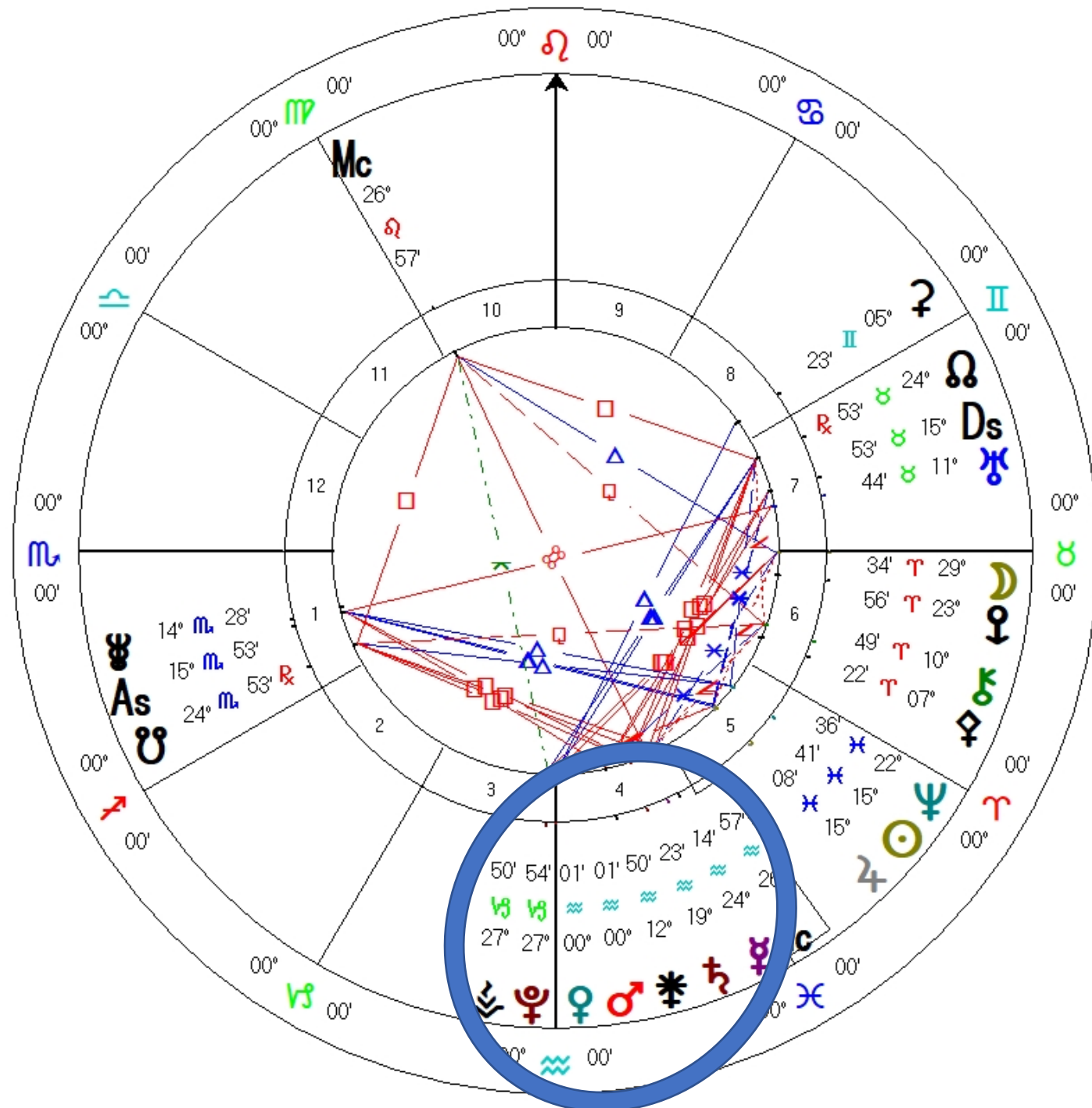
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# Mars-Venus-Pluto Conjunctions

When did they happen when Pluto was last in Capricorn or Aquarius?

Year	Month(s)	Sign of Planets	Notes
1768	Dec/Jan	Sag/Cap	More than 10 deg apart
1787	Mar	Aqu	
1789	Feb/Mar	Aqu	
1791*	Jan/Feb	Aqu	*Extremely Close conj / includes Merc and Sun
1792-93	Dec/Jan	Aqu	

## Pluto by sign:

Capricorn: 1762-1778, 2008-2024

Aquarius: 1777-1798, 2024-2044

There is overlap with other signs in multiple years when Pluto transitions from one sign to another



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## Resources used also include:

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- Solar Fire Gold astrology software
- *Star Lore* by William Tyler Olcott
- *The Origins of the Shamanic Astrology Paradigm* by Daniel Giamario
- *Under Saturn's Shadow: The Wounding and Healing of Men* by James Hollis
- *A Terrible Love of War* by James Hillman
- *Star and Planet Combinations* by Bernadette Brady
- *Imaginary Landscape* by William Irwin Thompson
- *More Mathematical Astronomical Morsels* by Jean Meeus
- *The Shamanic Astrology Handbook* by Daniel Giamario with Cayelin Castell
- *A Shamanic Investigation of Venus and Mars* by Daniel Giamario (Original article featured in "The Mountain Astrologer" in 1997)
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