Venus Mercury Conjunction (Excerpt from

June 16 – 18 Begins Mercury and Venus at 16 - 29* Gemini square Neptune at 29* Pisces and inconjunct Pluto at 1* Aquarius



An odd combination where the positive **merger of Mercury and Venus**, which by the way occurs nicely off and, on all summer, (June – August) are challenged by a worrisome energy of Neptune interfering with old patterns, the positive, and try to take us down into negativity and a sense of lack, what we don't have, what's not working out, the discouraging things we have to deal with. So, beginning on the 16 - 18 of June, be on guard for discouraging situations as the best is yet to come. (This is the start of a determined action to overcome old patterns and situations in our life, culminating on August 7)

Overcoming fear with a higher focus of love, a bigger picture of what really matters seems to be another theme for the summer, *along with that message or gift we may have discovered (for ourselves) this June.*

The positive Mercury/Venus dates fusing love, heart and communication, sharing, connecting with others, feeling inspired to give, share, plan and be an uplifting force in the world are:

- June 14 -18, 21, 28, 29 2024
- July 7, 8, 9, 2024
- July 20-22, 2024
- August 5-9, 2024

These dates are a series of Mercury/Venus conjunctions, along with sextiles to other planets. They are all positive and inspiring. (See Table Below...)

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<u>The Venus/Mercury cycle</u>, not a terribly strong cycle, yet provides cooperation and harmony, love connections, work on us, productivity and accomplishments with important alliances, key relationships and friends, giving and receiving much support towards each other.

Also, there is always an element of financial prosperity with Venus's sextiles including much discussion and planning, examining information and desire to talk about exciting things for the future.

Love, beauty, music, design, expanding one's abilities and achievements and mostly, nurturing important relationships are all emphasized now.

Anything pertaining to writing, expression of creative self, marketing, expanding information, networking and increasing attention to one's products or business is very good from June – August 2024.

(Excerpt from Stardrops June 29, 2024)

Finger of God to Mercury moving retrograde....

(Excerpt from Stardrops June 29, and July 2024)

July 25 – 27 Mercury retro, forms a finger of God -((YOD) to Neptune and Pluto. The Neptune/Pluto sextile happens between July 25 – September 5, 2024

The Yod configuration above is just a few days where many of us might sense we have a big decision to make. This decision might be about some form of injustice which has occurred, or it could be involving a job, employment, a project or work, your career. It might be about your or someone' health. These are the issues involving Mercury moving into 0* Virgo.

Protect your health, body, diet during this time. An excellent time to begin a new diet.

Concentrate upon the most pragmatic detailed course of action to take, even if it is lengthy or arduous, demanding much strategy, concentration and constancy, it's worth it!

The Mercury Retrograde mid-July peaks on August 4, 2024 in Virgo, then continues from August 8 to August 28, 2024 in Leo, increasing our creative side.

Decisions to make for being your best self begins now up to August 4 – 8.

The Mercury/Venus conjunction:

Venus and Mercury conjoined once in the week of June 17 at 0^* Cancer, and returns the week of August 4 - 8 at $0-4^*$ Virgo along with the Moon in Virgo and Mercury Retro at 3^* Virgo on August 4 exact... (the Mercury retrograde date.

This cycle has been going on since June and is about re-programming negative beliefs and deep-seated patterns within oneself and how we reflect it out upon the world around us. It is the Mercury Venus conjunction doing this. Now it is lining up in a finger of God, with a Mercury retro, intensifying the lessons learned so far, these past few months. Have you been paying attention?

Simply put, this time frame between the end of June up through August 7, can be a special time for a particular personal self-improvement goal you want to achieve. I sense this period has been for us to integrate more self-worth, to consciously get over

old thought patterns of negative self-criticism and self-talk.

It can also motivate us to realize we are totally responsible for some things in our lives that we know are truly up to us to make better and change. We have all the power above and within us to do this, it's about acknowledging it, tuning into it. But it's a loving energy and increases our desire to truly love ourselves as we are Divine Love in the physical world.

Look at this period as a challenge for you to not only acknowledge something which you truly need and desire to have in your life, whatever it is, to accomplish, acquire, experience, whatever...and set a time each day to Affirm its reality in your world. Then strategist a new discipline or time of the day to nurture this goal. Even if it is simply an affirmation such as:

AFFIRMATION

"I AM realizing the full power for achieving, realizing this ______ in my life now, according to my life plan."

"I AM confident life opens all the doors to walk through for my greatest achievements in this endeavor of______".

Mercury is the planet of mind awareness, processing information and making decisions. Venus is always a magnetize. With the combination of these two running throughout June/July/August, we are more likely to change our habits, bring in new ones for happier outcomes and open ourselves up to greater love, for sure! **Finger of God to Mercury retrograde.**

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The Yod configuration above with the Mercury, appears as a Y, and is just for a week or so, starting now, when we have a big decision to make. This decision requires action to be taken, and might be about work, a project, something practical we must move forward on now.

Something which we might have vacillated in the past with. It might have been delayed because of stress, inconvenience or money, or whatever it is, it could be involving a job, employment, a project or work, your career. It might be about yours or someone's situation. Whatever it is, now is the time Mercury downloads a clear logical conclusion based upon reality and you move on it. This is the key of our new Mercury moving into $0^* - 4^*$ Virgo retrograde.