

The Full Moon occurs on Sunday, August 26th in the sign of Pisces. At the Full Moon, the Moon and Sun sit opposite each other in the sky, in opposing signs. Opposing signs are like flip-sides of a coin. Although we tend to see them as opposites, they're best viewed as complementary. Each energy works best when balanced by the other.

Full Moons offer us an opportunity to integrate the complementary energies of the signs at play, in this case, Pisces and Virgo. Pisces is the sign of surrender and going with the flow. Pisces can take us into altered states of consciousness, offering us glimpses of the divine plan. It can help us understand the meaning of suffering, and offer us the grace to willingly surrender into what is. Virgo, on the other hand, is a very detail-oriented sign. Where Pisces is expansive and flowing, Virgo is contained, practical, dutiful and perfectionistic. Virgo is willing to work hard in service to something worthwhile, taking each little step required.

Integrating these energies means allowing Virgo's detail-oriented nature to ground Pisces' expansiveness into your daily life in a practical way. It also means allowing Pisces' capacity for faith and a higher understanding to lift Virgo out of her pursuit for perfection long enough to see the bigger picture. Pisces can show Virgo how to let go and relax in trust. Virgo can show Pisces how to land on earth. Together, these two signs are the "healing axis" of the zodiac, where true faith and dutiful service to higher principles manifests in practical and heavenly ways.

This Full Moon also completes the 6-month Pisces cycle that began in mid-March with the New Moon. Think back to what was going on in your life at that time. What intentions were you setting? How have they come to pass? In what ways has suffering helped you expand your spiritual understanding and truly heal? What have you learned about service? How has your consciousness expanded?

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Surrender, karma, going with the flow, mysticism, altered states of consciousness, suffering, addiction, dreams, poetry, the collective unconscious, delusion, perfecting something, service, healing, mentoring, duty, detail-oriented, servant, martyr, analyst

SYMBOLS FOR THIS CYCLE

FULL MOON occurs on August 26, 2018 at 7:55 AM.

MOON at 4 Pisces, SUN at 4 Virgo, aspected by URANUS at 3 Taurus and SATURN at 3 Capricorn.

MOON - emotions/subconscious

"HEAVY CAR TRAFFIC ON A NARROW ISTHMUS LINKING TWO SEASHORE RESORTS."

The mobility and intensity of interchange which make possible and characterize complex social processes. Interchange of ideas and interplay of activities. TRAFFIC.

SUN - ego/conscious self

"BLACK AND WHITE CHILDREN PLAY TOGETHER HAPPILY."

The overcoming of socio-cultural prejudices. BROTHERHOOD.

SATURN - morality/authority/discipline/order

"A HUMAN SOUL, IN ITS EAGERNESS FOR NEW EXPERIENCES, SEEKS EMBODIMENT."

A powerful yearning for whatever will increase the scope and depth of one's contacts with other living beings. DESIRE TO PROVE ONESELF.

URANUS - freedom/originality/revolution/change

"NATURAL STEPS LEAD TO A LAWN OF CLOVER IN BLOOM."

The gradual expansion of the individual consciousness after a fecundating experience. NATURAL FULFILLMENT.

What do these symbols mean to you? How are these energies influencing your life?