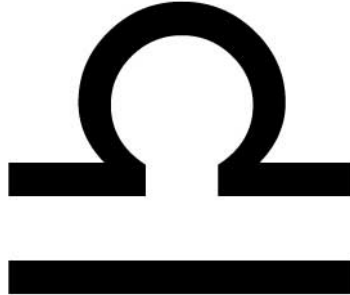

LIBRA

An Astrological Peek

Pyreus



Libra



24th September – 23rd October

Element **Air** ~ Quality **Cardinal**

Charge **Positive** ~ Ruling Planet **Venus** ~ Day **Friday**

Libra, the Scales is the seventh sign of the Zodiac and is ruled by **Venus**, the planet of *beauty, love* and *social grace*. Venus is also associated with the Greek goddess **Aphrodite** and the Norse maidens of *grace, elegance* and *fairness*, **Frigg** and **Freyja**.

Libra is an *air* and *cardinal* sign and full of *creative potential* and governs partnerships, the arts, and making sense of the authentic Self. Librans seek *aesthetic pleasure*, balance in relationships and a harmonious environment, and are able to see *both sides* to an issue.

Love of justice, even-handedness and a strong will are also qualities found in the Libran archetype. Individuals born into the house of **Balance** and **Justice** always find ways to *accomplish their chosen goals* and will find ways to succeed.

Sometimes because of their unique perspective on Life, Librans can often lead themselves down the slippery slope to *procrastination* and *vacillation*, however they possess plenty of *charm*, *sophistication* and *diplomacy*.

Emotional, physical, and psychological pleasure comes to Librans from beauty in all forms; *music*, *flowers*, and *perfume* are typical delights. Persons of Libra enjoy promoting *peace and harmony* and circumvent hostile confrontations whenever some other method can be employed.

Libra rules the *kidneys*, *lower back*, and *ovaries*. Lower back pain, and problems caused by too much sugar and rich food are common complaints.

Libra's colours are *ivory*, *pink*, *rose*, *turquoise*, *blue* and the birthstone for Libra is the *blue sapphire* and *opal*. Flowers of Libra are *roses* (white and pink), *daisies*, *violets*, *asters* and *orchids*.

Libra is also the seventh constellation of the zodiac and its name in Latin means weighing scales. The constellation of the Scales were venerated in Babylonia where they were also known as the **Claws of the Scorpion**. The Scales were held sacred to the Sun God **Shamash**, who was also the patron of *truth* and *justice*.

This is how Libra became associated with *law*, *fairness* and *civility*, as the scales were common place in the livelihood of the people, throughout the ages. In Roman mythology, Libra is considered to depict the scales held by **Astraea** (Virgo), the *goddess of justice*.

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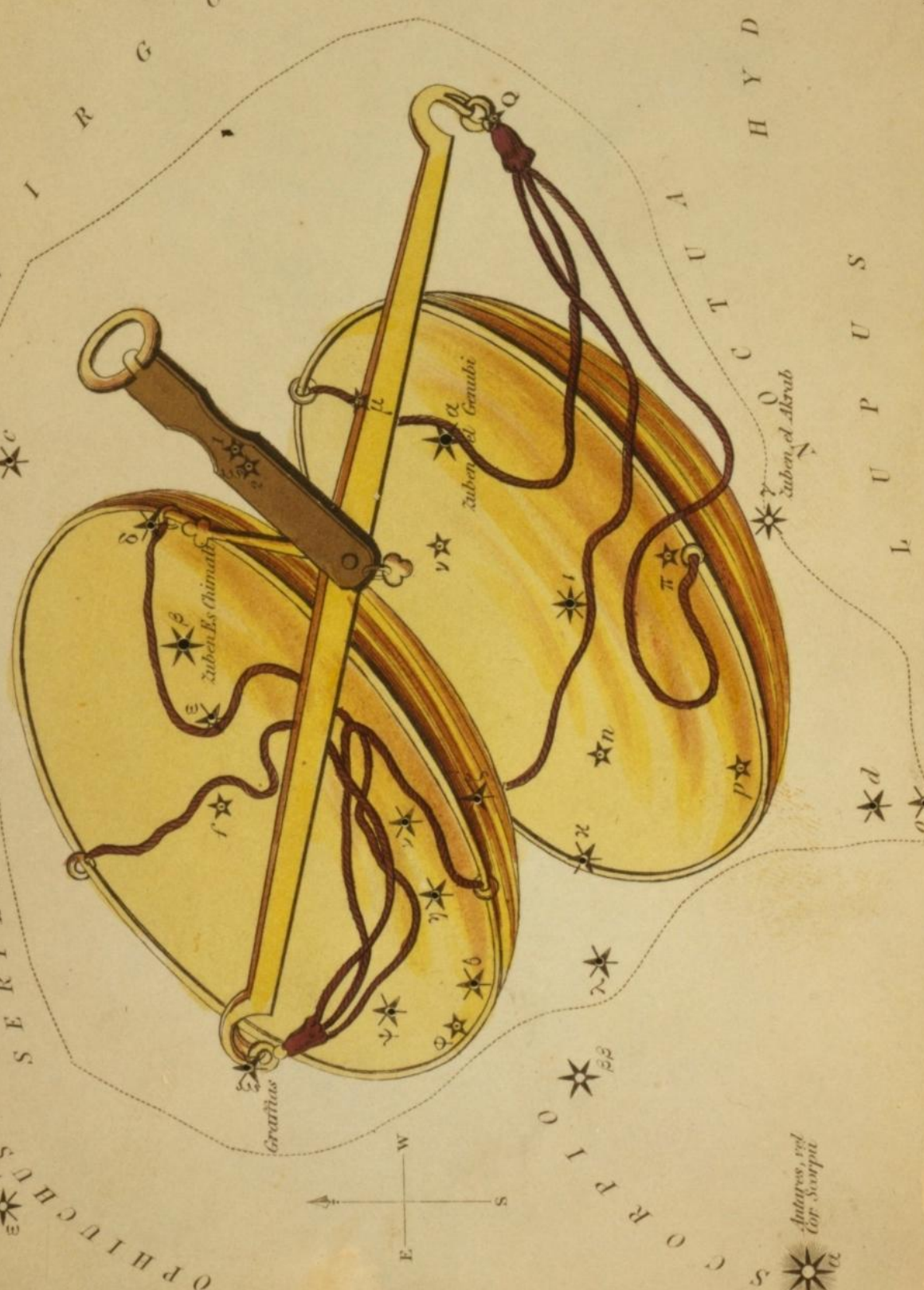
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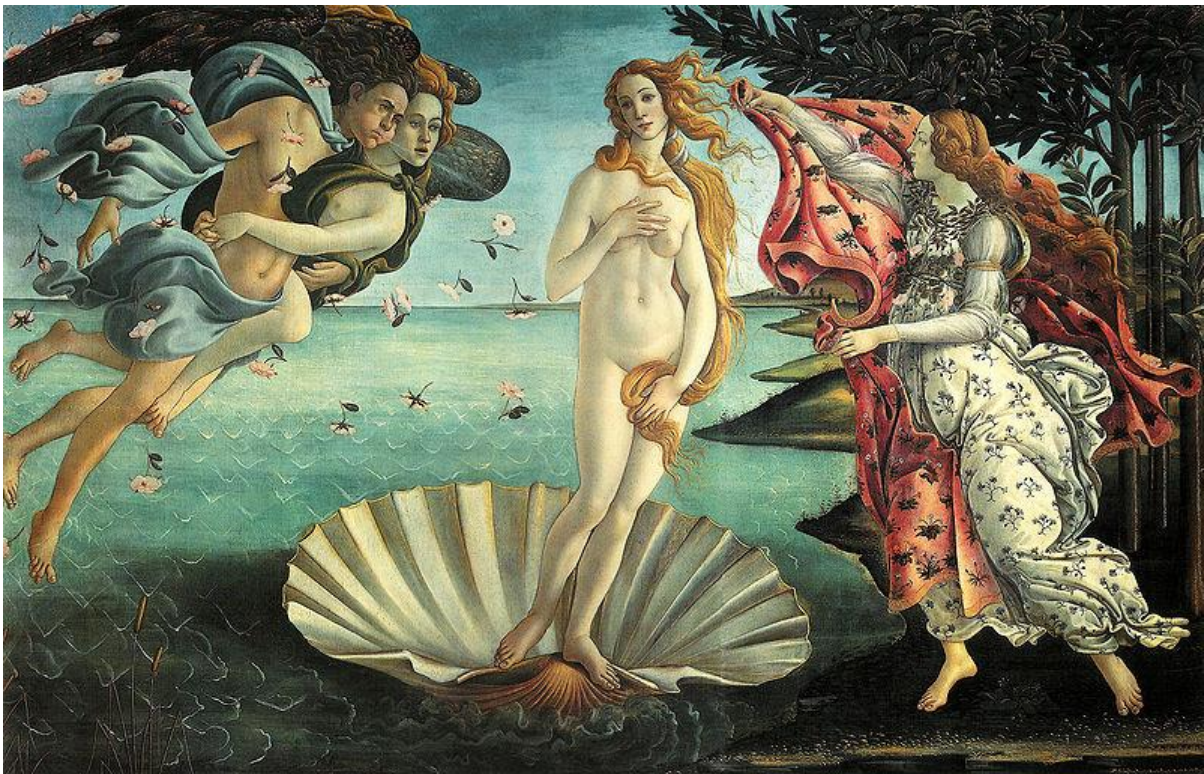
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