#### Mid-Michigan Pagan Alliance

## Welcome To MMPA

Welcome to Mid-Michigan Pagan Alliance. Our Mission is to create and inclusive Nature Based community in the Flint, Saginaw, Bay, and Midland area as well as surrounding areas that is open to covens and solitaries alike. Our goal is to create a network where ritual, workshop, and discussion opportunities can be shared with other like-minded individuals. All who participate may do so as much or as little as they choose, and complete independence is maintained as this is not a coven or a church. Co-founders Viki Vaughn and Krista Mann established this alliance in November of 2017. Since the passing of our beloved Viki, we have created a council to continue the community work that meant so much to our sister.

## Getting ready for our next steps

We have recently created our wonderful website in an effort to enhance our ability to share information on local and statewide gatherings and opportunities that open to like-minded people. It is our goal to provide this monthly newsletter in an effort to share monthly sabbat information, tips on gems, stones, and herbs, as well as other "witch" related information.



**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

**Convocation Feb 23, 24, 25, 26** 

Pagan Campout June 16, 17, 18

More info to come

This planet is our home. Our life and Hers are interdependent

- Doreen Valiente

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# Aquarius gems and herbs

## **Crystals for Aquarius**

Amethyst is the first crystal that brings the Aquarius in touch with their intuition. It also helps to reduce stress, increase patience, and calms the mind.

Aquamarine helps transform dreams into real life. It brings compassion and empathy. It also reduces stress. It also helps Aquarius be their authentic self.

Black onyx helps with centering and brings balance. It also can help Aquarians to stop holding in their emotions and gain the strength to face their fears. It helps to allow them transformation Emerald brings the Aquarius creativity and inspires them to improve their situation. It provides hope, patience, love, and compassion.

Herbs for the Aquarius are ones that can help with relaxing the nervous system and promoting blood circulation. Parsnips, chamomile, passionflower, hops, aloe vera, cloves, and catnip are just a few.

Be creative in using your herbs and crystals and don't be afraid to try new things.

#### **Notes from the board**

We at MMPA have recently been enhancing the structure of our Alliance. We have created a board of individuals from across the counties to help serve and support all of you. We will have more information and pictures to share as time goes on. In the meantime, you can find our bios on the website.

Building community has long been our primary goal. It is our hope that we can bring together and share our unique perspectives and experiences in effort of supporting and encouraging each other and our beloved pagan community.

Please feel free to email us if you would like to contribute to our newsletter or would like to share an upcoming event.



### BOOK OF THE MONTH

The Horned God of the Witches by Jason Mankey

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#### Monthly Astrology News

February begins with the sacred cross-quarter of Imbolc. Imbolc is about the strengthening of light energy, preparing us for moving forward towards the light half of the year. The path becomes wide open for us all as all planets are now direct and Mercury leaves its Shadow phase behind on the 8th.

Just a few days after Imbolc on the 5th, the Moon becomes Full in Leo which is full of creativity and passion. Leo also represents the self, our integrity, and how we show up in the world.

This energy guides us to stand centered in our authentic selves and shine our light. We will feel an urgency to accomplish our goals, remain detached from how we think our goals need to be achieved and leave room for the Universe in all of its creativity to provide what we truly need.

Stay focused on the goal and not the route in which we attain it.

On the 15th, Venus conjuncts
Neptune in Pisces which
highlights romantic, creative
and spiritual pursuits. The very
next day, the Sun conjuncts
Saturn in Aquarius reminding
us that we are responsible for
what we create in our realms of
influence by reflecting back to
us the energy we are putting
out.

It is up to us to create the life we want and the New Moon in Pisces on the 19th, the day after the Sun moves into Pisces is an opportune time to begin anew. The sense of urgency we have carried for the first half of the month will calm and become integrated into our subconscious.