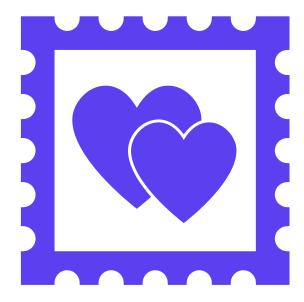
14 Goddesses of Love, Beauty and Fertility You Should Know About!

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Description

• It's Valentine's Day, and this guide was created to introduce you to goddesses who are not Aphrodite, Venus, Ishtar, or Freyja. Instead, you'll discover lesser known but equally powerful love, beauty, and fertility deities from across the world.



Hathor: Egyptian /Nubian

Domain: Love, beauty, music, fertility, motherhood, and joy Hathor was worshipped as the Egyptian goddess of love, beauty, and joy. She was also seen as a protector of women and a goddess of fertility and motherhood. In Nubian traditions, she was sometimes identified with Atari.



Anansa (Efik, Nigeria)

Domain: Love, beauty, and the sea
 Anansa is a goddess of the sea and beauty,
 worshipped among the Efik people of
 Nigeria. She is associated with prosperity,
 love, and feminine power. Her followers
 often honour her with offerings near water.



Erzulie Freda (Haitian Vodou/Dahomey)

 Domain: Love, beauty, luxury, dance, and flowers

A powerful loa (spirit) in Haitian Vodou, Erzulie Freda is associated with beauty, luxury, love, and feminine grace. She is often represented with fine clothes and jewellery.



Oshun Yoruba/African Diaspora)

Domain: Love, fertility, sensuality, wealth, and rivers

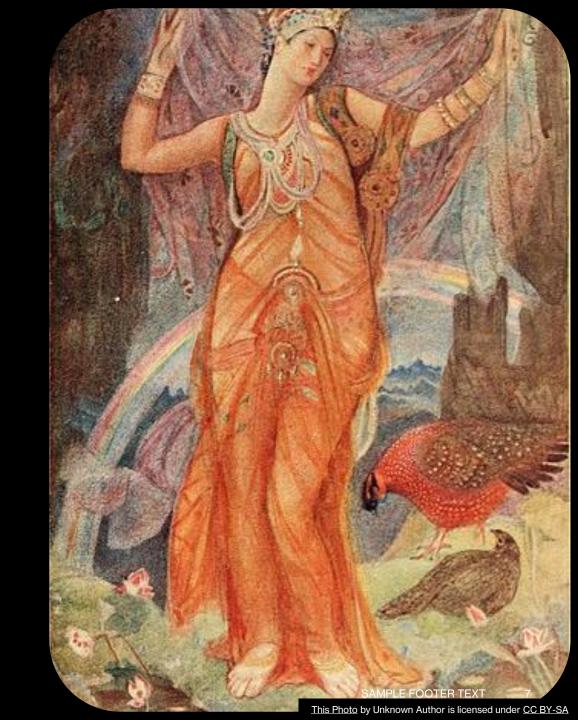
Oshun is one of the most revered Orishas in Yoruba tradition and the African diaspora. She embodies love, femininity, and rivers, and is celebrated in religions like Santería and Candomblé

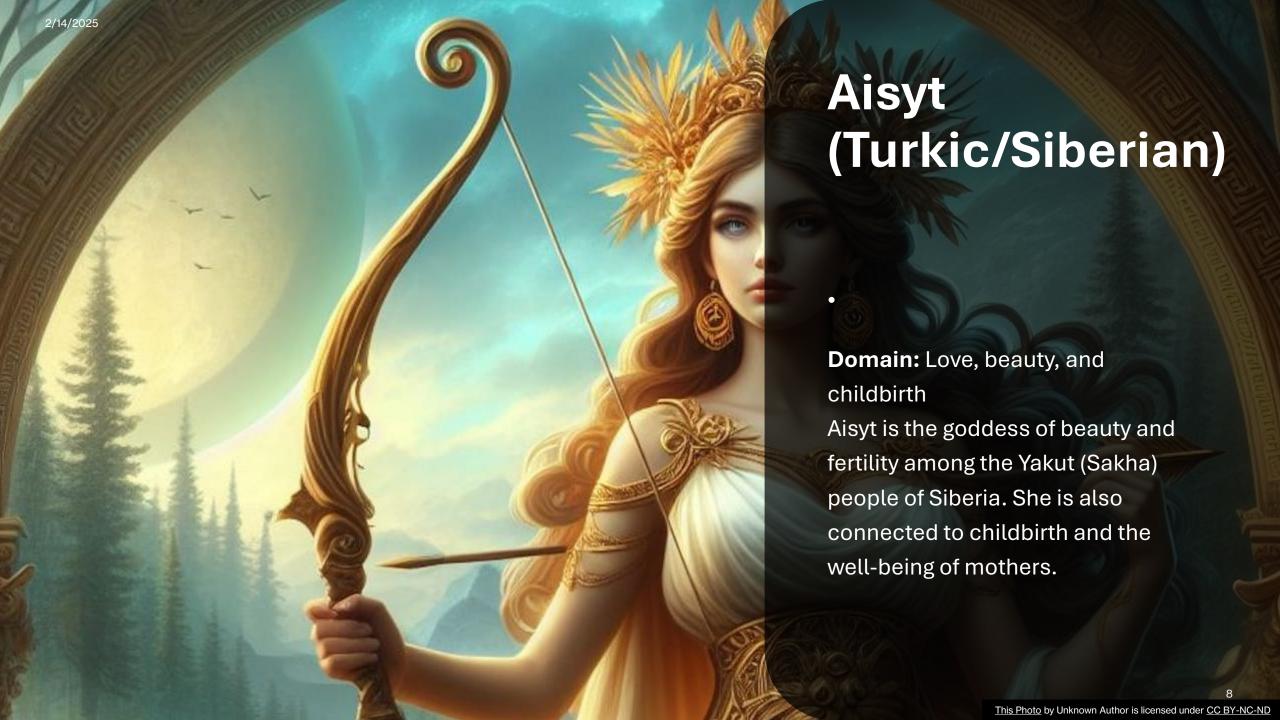


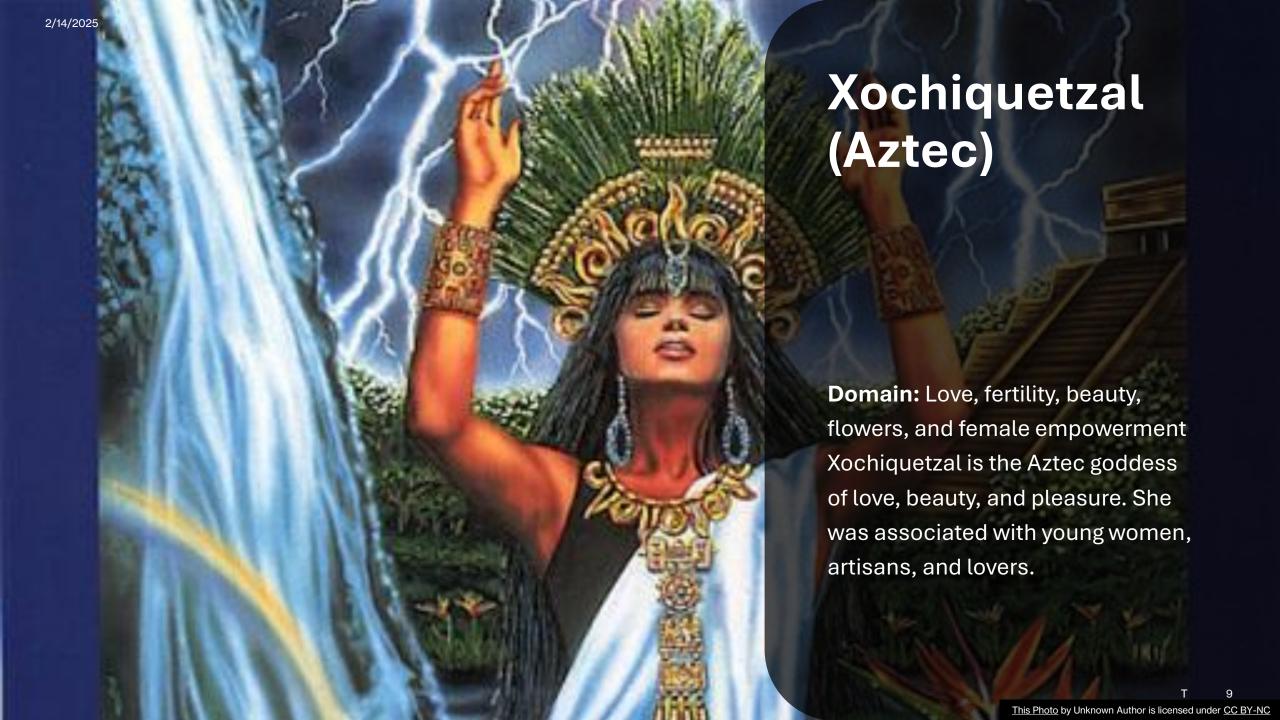
Nanaya (Sumerian)

Domain: Love, sensuality, passion, and sacred sexuality

Nanaya was a goddess of sensuality and passion in Mesopotamian culture. She was worshipped alongside Ishtar and was often associated with desire and romance.







Astghik (Armenian)

Domain: Love, fertility, and water Astghik was the goddess of love and fertility in Armenian mythology, often connected to the planet Venus.



Rati (Hindu)

Domain: Love, passion, and sexual desire Rati is the Hindu goddess of love and sexual pleasure, often depicted alongside her husband, Kama, the god of love.



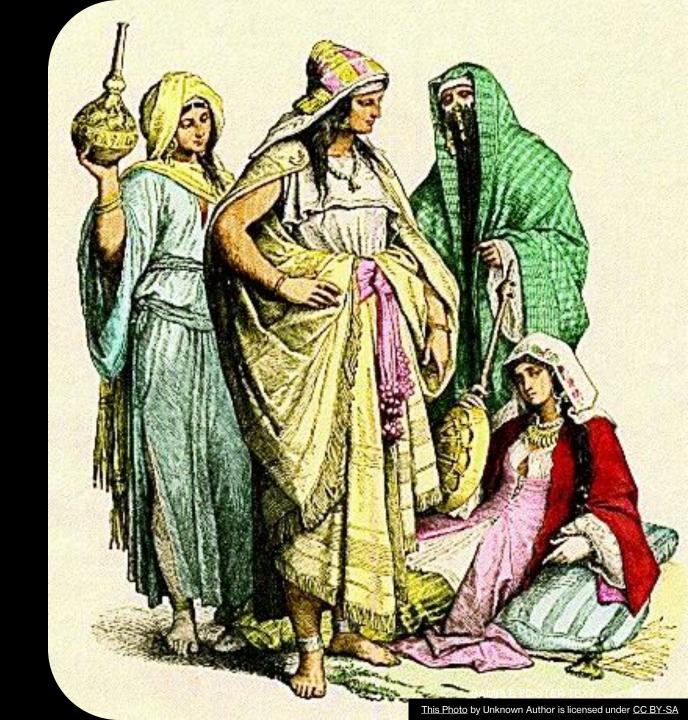
Ixchel (Mayan)

Domain: Love, fertility, medicine, and the moon Ixchel was a Mayan goddess associated with fertility, childbirth, and healing.



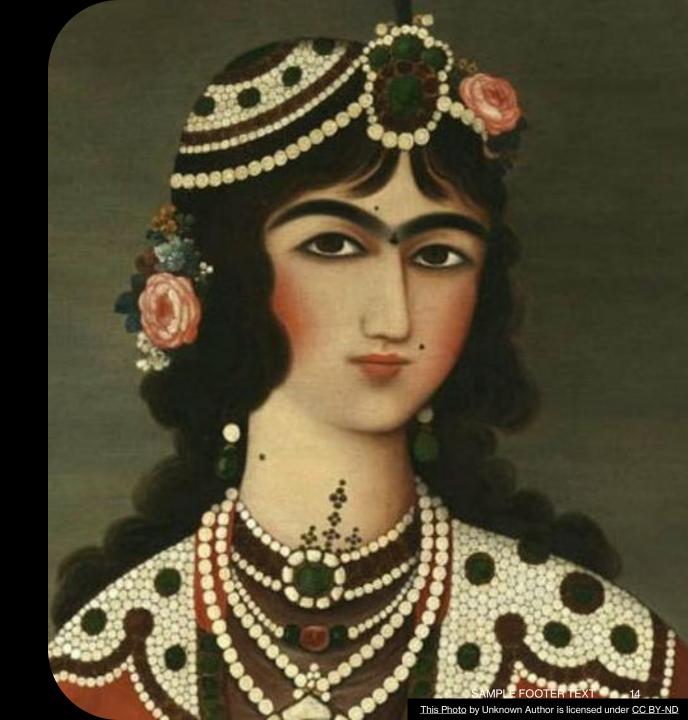
Al-Lat (Pre-Islamic Arabian)

Domain: Love, wisdom, and protection Al-Lat was one of the major goddesses worshipped in pre-Islamic Arabia.



Anahita (Persian)

Domain: Fertility, love, and war Anahita was an ancient Persian goddess of fertility, love, and war, often associated with rivers.



Shaushka (Hittite)

Domain: Fertility, war, and healing Shaushka was a Hittite goddess associated with love, fertility, and war, often depicted alongside doves and lions.





Recommended Reading and Watching

Articles & Websites:

- World History Encyclopedia Hathor
- Efik Mythology
- Erzulie Freda
- Orisha Oshun
- - Nanaya
- Aisyt

Recommended Reading and Watching Continued

Articles and Websites

- Xochiquetzal
- Armenian mythology: 6 ancient pagan gods we still love today
- All About Rati
- Ixchel: Mayan
- Al-Lat -
- Anahita Zoroastrianism
- Shaushka
- Turan



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Happy Valentine's Day

Aphrodite, Freyja and Venus hoped you enjoyed meeting some of their friends