

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Right now, your thoughts could revolve around your personal appearance, demeanor or how your reputation may affect your social life. Don't let the reactions of others make you feel self-conscious.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Project confidence in all your current successes. Feel free to brag a little and showcase your talents when you can. Sales jobs might seem to like a glove, but the most important thing to sell might be yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Earning the credentials you may need could be taking longer than you first anticipated. Try not to feel disappointed if you sense a lack of family support. You might have a crowd of friends ready to cheer you on.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your friendly approach could persuade others that you may be the right person for extra responsibilities. If past mistakes come back to haunt you, try not to worry. Be fully accountable and you can turn criticism into assets.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Put key financial decisions on hold for now. Even the best researched and prepared people can still hit a snag if the conditions are not optimal. The spotlight could be on your trustworthiness, charm, and great attitude.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Hurt feelings can't be repaired with just gifts. Look into their eyes and make sincere amends. They do not have to forgive, but they might be more likely if you show them your heart instead of your wallet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can accomplish more in the future if you exert a little extra effort now. Follow through on your projects even if you feel discouraged by possible setbacks. The key to success is usually found in perseverance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your rock-solid business skills could be in high demand currently. By spending some time with other ambitious go-getters, you can expand your skillset and broaden your network of allies or supportive friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Now might not be the best time to discuss family drama with your friends or challenge authority figures. Remain cooperative and discreet and you can increase your financial base. Think things through before making a move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The only way to save time is to use every moment as efficiently as possible. Wait for the most powerful timing for your biggest initiatives, try not to fret over the little details, and take big steps towards your goals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Do your best to avoid trouble by remaining diplomatic in group situations. Now may not be a favorable time to make new investments. If you find yourself in a tricky situation it might be best to take a step back.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Life can be messy and complicated, but true and loyal friends could get you through. Bouncing from loyalty to loyalty may be damaging to your trust-worthy reputation. Let those you care about know you will not walk away.

Helen Marketti's Music Corner

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The Beatles LOVE by Cirque du Soleil

Spectacular...Magnificent...Magical...Brilliant...

These are the words I chose to describe The Beatles LOVE by Cirque du Soleil after seeing the show in person at The Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas. The show has continued for 17 years and still going strong. It is one of the most popular shows in Las Vegas with sell-out performances and enthusiastic crowds. I saw the show for myself on August 9, 2023 while on vacation for the first time in Las Vegas. It is a must-see performance that will leave the audience wide-eyed and speechless.

The show is set to original Beatles music and the soundtrack covers the band's career from the early mop top 60s, transitioning into their psychedelic era and wrapping up their time together by 1970. In between the 90-minute performance is a mix of rock, ballads and love songs that move the audience from toe tapping and clapping while triggering some tears along the way.

We were treated to watching the spectacular moves of aerial acrobatics, fearless trampoline jumps along with rhythmic and expressive dancers. The stage is in the middle of the theatre with surrounding seats so there is a different view from anywhere you sit. There is always something happening onstage so sometimes the view is on entertainment overload but well-worth the eye-popping performances as you are looking up, down, left and right.

The surround sound has speakers built in to each individual seat making you feel as though you are at a live Beatles concert. There are two large screens that show clips of The Beatles performances, pictures, conversations and much more. It is a complete "Beatles experience" that you will clearly not see anywhere else.

This show was actually the brain-child of the late George Harrison. He was a big fan of the Cirque du Soleil work and had spoken with Guy Laliberté, one of the company's founders, inquiring perhaps that they could do a show using The Beatles music! And that's how the concept first came into being. George Harrison passed away in 2001 and did not live to see the show materialize but everyone carried on to make his dream a reality. Working on the legalities of the show took at least three years and the needed permission of surviving Beatles, Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr along with George Harrison's widow, Olivia and John Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono. Their input, suggestions and support helped to push this incredible show into a production that has lasted for nearly 20 years and hopefully will continue.

At this writing, The Hard Rock Café has purchased The Mirage Hotel. There was speculation that 2023 would be the last of LOVE. However, I have learned that the show will continue in 2024 and then it will be a decision made on a year-by-year basis. It would only make sense to keep a Beatles show under the Hard Rock Café canopy. It iust seems to go together!

The LOVE Theatre seats a little over 2000 guests! You are truly mesmerized and captivated by all that you see and hear as soon as the show begins. The costumes, the lighting, the archive footage, the props, THE MUSIC...as it all mingles together for a surreal experience

The Beatles record producer, the late George Martin and his son Giles were the music directors for the soundtrack for the show which includes over 200 snippets of Beatles songs and are beautifully mixed together for a remarkable listening experience. Some of the songs included in LOVE: I Want to Hold Your Hand, HELP, Back In The USSR, Drive My Car, Glass Onion, Strawberry Fields, Something, Eleanor Rigby, Lucy In The Sky With Diamonds, Come Together, All You Need Is Love and many more Beatle favorites.

The cast and crew put together this nonstop performance for audiences 6 days a week and to see it is to believe it. I promise you will not be disappointed if you ever have an opportunity to witness this spectacular show for yourself. I, too had friends who had seen the show and said it is a must. I have to agree.

February 9, 2024, will mark the 60th anniversary of The Beatles arriving in America and appearing on The Ed Sullivan Show. The Beatles continue to captivate, influence and attract new legions of fans. Their music will last throughout our life time and well beyond. LOVE physically puts together the expression of The Beatles music and literally brings their songs to life!

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