**SCHOLARS AND SORCERESSSES**

**ANCIENT WOMEN ASTRONOMERS**

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**BUT HE WHO IS TRULY AN ASTRONOMER MUST BE THE WISEST...**

PLATO

“Ornament of the Sky”
ca. 2285-2250 BC
Akkadian High Priestess of the moon-god Nana.
The only surviving representation of an ancient female astronomer.

The School of Athens Raphael 1509-1510
Hypatia of Alexandria Philosopher, Astronomer,
Ca. 380-415 AD Mathematician, murder victim

The Antikythera mechanism
Ca. 150 BC

Aglaiomike of Thessaly
2nd cent. BC
Predicted lunar eclipses.
Regarded as a sorceress.

Attic red figure calyx krater (ca. 450 BC)
Helios drives the chariot of the sun into the sky at dawn. Beneath, the Astra Planeta dive into the sea.

Ourania

Silver denarius of Hadrian, 117-138 AD
Mint date 119-122AD
Aeternitas holding the head of Sol in one hand and that of Luna in the other.