

Monthly Astrocast

June 2013



Key Events:

New Moon (18:01 Gemini): June 8, 2013

Full Moon (02:10 Capricorn): June 23, 2013

Retrograde Planets:

Saturn: February 18 - July 7, 2013
(11:32 - 04:49 Scorpio)

Pluto: April 12 - September 19, 2013
(11:35 - 8:59 Capricorn)

Neptune: June 7 - November 13, 2013
(05:22 - 02:34 Pisces)

Mercury: June 26 - July 19, 2013
(23:06 - 13:30 Cancer)

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

This month the New Moon on June 8 occurs in your sign and will be on your natal Sun if your birthday is on or within a day or so of that date. This will provide a considerable burst of energy at the personal level, making it a great time to start a new endeavor or do something for yourself. This lunation has quite a variety of aspect patterns which provide it with a lot of influence across various part of your life which will somehow be tied together. First of all, there's a T-square you need to contend with that is likely to present a challenge or two. Your sign ruler, Mercury, is one of the participants which also means it won't be of long duration even though being in effect for the lunation will give it a little more punch. Mercury is tied in with that ongoing Uranus - Pluto square which is stirring things up so much on the mundane scene and will be in effect on and off for a couple more years. Mercury is in Cancer, your 2nd house of income, finances, possessions, needs and pleasures as well as what you value, promoting information and news related to this part of your life.

His opposition to Pluto in Capricorn, your 8th house of transformations, sex, death and regeneration, intense experiences, things you suppress or hide, debt and shared resources has a variety of implications which could including facing a few unpleasant facts related to your financial situation. Pluto is accidentally dignified in the 8th house so he will be very effective during this long-term transit and probably dig up all sorts of situations that have a deep and lasting impact on you. One thing that springs to mind as I write this is to be especially careful this month guarding your personal information to avoid identity theft. Especially with Uranus involved, planet of surprises, disruptions, the unexpected, rebellion and freedom, who's hanging out in Aries, your 11th house of groups, friends, organizations, goals, hopes and wishes. During this transit which will last a few more years, you can expect a fair amount of instability in this part of your life. This is not to say that some of it won't be good, only that you need to expect the unexpected. If your birthday is right around June 2nd an unexpected opportunity may come your way at this time. But you still need to be cautious regarding the things you value.

Later this month on June 26 Mercury goes retrograde which isn't particularly fortuitous in your house of finances. This is a favorable time, however, to review your money situation, balance your personal budget and maintain your possessions. Whatever you do, don't buy something new at this time, especially a mechanical or electronic device. If necessary, rent something until it's over and out of the shadow period which will be August 4. This advice is more important than ever when the retrograde is occurring in your 2nd house.

Believe it or not, however, there is some good news out there this month in the form on a Grand Water Trine that will last most the month. It comprises Venus in Cancer, Saturn in Scorpio and Neptune in Pisces. Venus, natural ruler of love and money, is thus also in your house of money which can help mitigate some of the potential problems. She rules your 5th house of ego definition, creative expression, children, romance, entertainment and speculation as well as your 12th house of subconscious, spirituality, enlightenment,

inspiration, confinement, seclusion, institutions, hidden enemies and self-undoing or what I call the angels and demons house. This can enliven your intuition and creativity toward addressing your financial situation, whatever it may be. Saturn is in your 6th house of work, health, service and pets where he is retrograde until the first week of July. Saturn RX is all about restructuring something of which you may or may not be aware. If not, when he goes direct you will probably figure it out. If your birthday is right around May 27 Saturn is quincunx your natal Sun and you will be feeling this more strongly. Saturn rules your 8th house of transformations so this has the potential for significant changes relative to your work or health. The trine to Venus, however, provides favorable energy for a good income to these changes.

Neptune is in dignity in Pisces, the sign he rules, and your 10th house of career, reputation, public image, and status. Neptune brings inspiration but needs to be watched because he can also bring illusions and be unrealistic. Neptune rules such things as photography, ships, liquids of all varieties, fantasy and inspiration so if these relate directly to your career this can be very useful. Neptune does tend to dissolve what he touches, however, so things can disappear under his influence, too. It's good to be aware of his potential so you can give a good, Gemini-logic sanity check to anything that comes along that seems too good to be true because it probably isn't (true.) Nonetheless, as party to this grand trine, that inspiration has more potential to be favorable and give you the inspiration and insights you need to rework something related to your work and career that will bring financial benefits.

Mars is in the same degree in Gemini as the Grand Trine planets are in their respective signs so that ties him into it as well. He is the planet of drive, energy, and motivation and he is on your natal Sun if your birthday is right around May 27. Achieving the benefits inherent in that Grand Trine is going to depend a lot on your actions since they are not likely to just land in your lap. Depending on what Neptune is up to, you may either doubt the inspiration as being unrealistic or, on the other hand, be too trusting. Before you take action make sure you check in with your intuition and allow it to prevail in spite of what your logical mind may say. A change of course or direction related to your work is likely to be required so pay attention to what needs to be adjusted to make room for the good things to come.

The Full Moon on June 23 is in Capricorn, your 8th house of transformations. This suggests an ending, culmination or shift to a new phase. The Sun has not only moved into your 2nd house, highlighting your finances, but also become part of the Grand Trine as Venus has moved on. Note that Mercury and Venus are conjunct, which is favorable for communications related to money and so forth but with Mercury about to go retrograde you may be revisiting and revising what you come up with so don't think it's engraved in stone. Mars is unaspected in your sign which may leave you somewhat running in circles, not knowing which way to go first, or perhaps entirely unmotivated and afflicted with inertia getting started. This may not be a bad thing if Mercury is going to have you backtrack, anyway. Jupiter leaves your sign on June 27 which you are likely to notice if you tune into it. He is debilitated in Gemini where he can generate too much information and ideas but he's exalted in Cancer which provides a nurturing environment

for his expansive energy. This, also, has good implications for your finances. Thus, if you do encounter some sort of crisis earlier in the month it is likely by the time the Full Moon comes around you will find your way out of it, or at least have a plan. Remember that Uranus and Pluto are still squared off, however, and may continue to exhibit that old saying about the best laid plans of mice and men.

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