

Monthly Astrocast

October 2012



Key Events:

New Moon (22:32 Libra): October 15, 2012

Full Moon (06:48 Taurus): October 29, 2012

Retrograde Planets:

Saturn: February 7 – June 25, 2012
(29:30 – 22:46 Libra)

Saturn Shadow Period until October 2, 2012

Pluto: April 10 – September 18, 2012
(09:34 – 06:57 Capricorn)

Pluto Shadow Period until January 8, 2013
Neptune: June 4, 2012 – November 11, 2012
(03:09 Pisces – 00:21 Pisces)

Uranus: (8:32 – 04:36 Aries): 13 July – 12 December 2012

Jupiter: October 4, 2012 – January 30, 2013
(16:23 Gemini – 06:20 Gemini)

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

The New Moon this month is on October 15 in Libra, your 3rd house of thoughts, ideas, siblings and neighbors so watch for some new development in one of those areas. If your birthday is right around August 15 the lunation will sextile your natal Sun which should bring an opportunity your way. The ongoing square between Uranus and Pluto is still in effect but the good news is that Uranus is in fellow Fire Sign, Aries, which trines Leo, making it less troublesome. If your birthday is right around July 28 it's trining your natal Sun and may bring a surprise your way related to your 9th house of legal matters, higher learning, religion, politics, other cultures, foreign travel and relocation. Another square to be aware of, though it will only last for a week or so, is between Jupiter and Venus. Ordinarily these two are benefic planets but Jupiter is in the sign of his debility and Venus in the sign of her fall so neither can function to full capacity and will tend to be a bit dysfunctional.

Jupiter is in Gemini where he tends to be somewhere between grandiose and over-inflated as far as ideas are concerned. This is your 11th house of goals, groups, friends and networking so make sure any goals you set at this time are realistic. This could also bring an excessive amount of activity in this part of your life. Venus is in Virgo where her peace-loving nature can turn a bit critical or detail-oriented. Virgo is your 2nd house of finances, income, possessions, needs and pleasures where Venus is accidentally dignified and can help mitigate the fallen condition; face it, being critical and detail-oriented about your finances is a good thing as a rule. However, the square with Jupiter implies that either over-inflated goals or activities with groups or friends could compromise your financial condition. Information and help in working this through is available through Mercury which is connected to both Jupiter and Venus. Scorpio is a fellow Fixed Sign and is your 4th house of home environment, cultural roots, memories, endings and new beginnings so look here for the input you need to work it out, perhaps through a family member, experience, or simply spending some time at home in quiet contemplation.



Saturn is trining Neptune which constitutes an harmonious aspect between very diverse planets. Saturn is all about structure, building, discipline and responsibility while Neptune is all about imagination, transcendence, the collective

consciousness and dissolving boundaries. Your best bet is to use this aspect to manifest something you've been dreaming of or visualized which relates to your home in some way. Mars is trining Uranus, another aspect to think about. Both of these planets can be troublesome and when such energy is in harmonious aspect it can simply mean they work together for ill very effectively. If your birthday is right around July 28 these two form a Grand Fire trine with your natal Sun. This energy can be quite useful for promoting a creative idea or even yourself, for that matter but it has to be managed properly bearing in

mind that Uranus rules explosions and Mars rules fire. Use it for good or it could blow up in your face.

The Full Moon on October 29 is in fellow Fixed Sign, Taurus, your 10th house of career, reputation, public image and status. As always a Full Moon typically indicates an ending, culmination, or shift to a new phase. Mars and Jupiter are in opposition which suggests efforts to move forward may encounter some resistance from either friends, a group, or they may conflict with your long-term goals. Mercury is squaring Neptune which tends to cause confusion, delusion or deception. If you find yourself in such a situation Venus can come to your rescue. She has recently entered Libra, which she rules, and represents your 3rd house of thoughts, ideas, siblings and neighbors which implies that someone in this part of your life can help you sort out the facts and make the right decision, which is likely to involve a change of direction.

Pluto is in a Triangle of Potential with the Sun/Moon from Capricorn, your 6th house of work, health, service and pets. This indicates that some sort of transformation in this part of your life can resolve a problem that has existed between home and career. Think about how that may apply and respond accordingly. If your job (or lack thereof) has been causing a problem at home, this may be the energy you need to make important changes.

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