

Monthly Astrocast

April 2013



Key Events:

New Moon (20:41 Aries): April 10, 2013

Full Moon (05:52 Scorpio): April 25, 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)

Mercury shadow until April 6, 2013

Jupiter shadow until April 26, 2013

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

The New Moon on April 10th is in fellow Cardinal Sign, Aries, your 10th house of career, reputation, public image and status, suggesting something new will come along in this part of your life. This month the planets are mostly in Aries, leaving Neptune and Mercury in Pisces, though Mercury will likewise move into Aries around the 15th. You have probably already noticed a shift in energies as that Piscean parade gradually moved on. As a fellow Water Sign it may have been more comfortable for you than others with it feeding your natural intuition as well as your soul. The vacation in the Bahamas is now mostly over, however, with it time to take action.

If your birthday is right around July 13 this lunation will square your natal Sun and give it more influence though the energy is in that house and available to all Crabs to a greater or lesser degree. Uranus in this house suggests sudden changes, disruptions, innovation, high tech, freedom, rebellion and breaking free as possibilities. At the least you are likely to encounter a hectic pace with lots to do along with numerous distractions. Mars and Venus are snuggled up with the lunation, lending their energy to it as well. Mars is in his home sign where he can fully express his drive and energy which is useful for going after something you want. Venus is in debility which compromises her energy somewhat, though it can be useful for pursuing what you need more aggressively as opposed to always worrying about everyone else. Venus rules your goals as well as your home environment, making them a factor in either your career or status in general.

If you've been examining your existing belief systems and making some changes lately this may help you focus on how you want to spend your life, what you really want to be when you grow up or even dealing with some situation you wish to change. Increased insights and understanding can come at this time and be of great assistance. Relationship issues will be surfacing for several years to come as Pluto transits your 7th house. There's a lot of information to sort through as you analyze the various people in your life for functionality (or dysfunctionality) and helping you decide why you allow them to influence you or draw from your emotional energy. Over time you will find yourself growing away from those who don't contribute positively to where you're going so you can provide more energy to those who do.

You're evolving as a person and in the process of restructuring something at your core. This will reflect in your creative expression as well and has the potential to change how you see yourself and what you want to do with your life. If your current path is not feeding your soul you may feel a need to break away from the status quo and pursue a new path. This is going to be ongoing over the next several months and is currently rumbling around at the subconscious level. Now is a time for authenticity and being yourself and if any part of your life doesn't fit correctly you will want to make the necessary changes, just as you would take back an uncomfortable pair of shoes. There's also the possibility, taking that analogy one step further, that the old you has outgrown them in some way, that at one time they were comfortable but now it's time to retire them for something different.

The Full Moon on April 25 is also a Lunar Eclipse, giving it a lot more energy and staying power, especially for Crabs since the Moon is your sign ruler. It occurs in fellow Water Sign, Scorpio, your 5th house of ego development, creativity, children, romance, entertainment and speculation. Lunar eclipses operate largely at the emotional level, often bringing something to your awareness which had been previously ignored or hidden. Eclipses come as part of a series and this one began way back in 1472. It's general theme is that of releasing tension from a lingering situation, which will clear shortly thereafter. There could be a sense of loss associated with it but remember this is occurring largely at the emotional level so it's possible it will be a certainly melancholy over something that might have been or allowing something or someone to slip into the past.

There are numerous possibilities. Given that the eclipse occurs conjunct Saturn the rebuilding portion is further emphasized. Consolidating your belief system with your goals is part of the process as well. Mars is conjunct the Sun, putting a lot of action and motivation into the picture even though Mars is not quite as impulsive in Taurus which can be a good thing. Think of it as practical action toward increased security whether it's physical, financial, mental or spiritual in nature.

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