

Monthly Astrocast

October 2013



Key Events:

New Moon (11:57 Libra): October 4, 2013

Full Moon/Lunar Eclipse (25:52 Aries): October 18, 2013

Retrograde Planets:

Mercury: October 21 - November 10, 2013
(18:24 Scorpio - 02:50 Scorpio)

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

Uranus: July 17 - December 17, 2013
(12:31 - 8:35 Aries)

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

Shadow until October 15, 2013

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

Shadow until January 11, 2014

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

This month the New Moon on October 4 is in your polar sign, Libra, your 7th house of close relationships including your significant other, close friends and relatives, business partners, business professionals, cliental and competitors which is likely to bring a new development in this part of your life. If your birthday is right around March 31 its likely your life is quite hectic or you may be feeling extremely restless. Uranus, planet of rebellion, breaking away and freedom, is in your sign for the long-haul and is currently conjunct your natal Sun which can stir things up substantially.

As if that's not challenging enough (even though as an Aries you probably love a good challenge) Uranus is also in that infamous square with Pluto in Capricorn, your 10th house of career, reputation, public image and status. Pluto relates to power and control which suggests that your career or perhaps someone related to it has a strong grip on you these days and it may be getting on your nerves. Now this lunation comes along and joins up with it by forming a T-square. One manifestation of this would be that you finally have had enough and want to walk away, change careers or somehow get away and do your own thing but someone close to you presents another matter to deal with, such as an objection from your significant other.

Responsibilities are an issue and may be part of what you want to get away from. On the other hand, maybe you're bored and need more. If you feel stuck in a rut that will be very uncomfortable yet you may not see any easy outs. However, it looks as if a change of direction is possible and could come in the form of news or information that has a transformational or even life-changing effect. An opportunity to deal with what could be a feeling of oppression in your career is possible and could take the form of pure inspiration.

Your sign ruler, Mars, is in fellow Fire Sign, Leo, and 5th house of ego definition, creativity, children, romance, entertainment and speculation and trining your natal Sun if your birthday is right around April 13. This suggests that you want to take action but that relationship may be in the way or perhaps it's a financial obstacle. Either way, there is probably no clear escape route in sight and even if there is, you need to proceed with caution because there's a good chance new information is going to come out which will cause you to rethink everything so irreversible decisions are probably not a good idea at this time. More on that a bit later.

The Full Moon on October 18 is also a lunar eclipse and in your sign. If your birthday is right around April 15 it will be conjunct your natal Sun which suggests an ending, culmination or shift to a new phase of something that affects you at the personal level. Taking action relative to work or a service activity is likely but be sure to balance it with a strong dose of reality. You may feel inspired or simply want to go after your dreams, but this needs to be balanced with all the information available. Venus has slipped into your 9th house of beliefs, expectations, higher learning, other cultures, religion, politics, long-distance travel and relocation and may be campaigning for change. This is not

necessarily a bad thing by any means but is going to take considerable thought and effort to make it work. The possibility for such an endeavor has a bit of luck going for it but it's going to involve a lot of thought, planning and more information than you have at this time. The reason I say this is that Mercury goes retrograde on October 21, a few days after the eclipse, which suggests that you're going to have to go back to the drawing board.

When Mercury stations retrograde everything you thought you were going to do may grind to the proverbial screeching halt. This is a time to rethink, redo, revise, edit, reconsider and rework your solution. This is occurring in your 8th house of transformations, sex, death and rebirth, debt, shared resources, things you suppress and intense experiences which can further explain why you may have some second thoughts. This is not to say that whatever you came up with earlier is a bad idea, only that you need to think it through a little longer. There may be a slightly better approach, something you overlooked the first time because you were so impatient to get moving, or some other situation comes up that deserves attention as well.

Thus, this month looks like a time of change but with caveats and it's likely that it won't come to fruition until at least Mercury goes direct or perhaps even when he comes out of the shadow period November 28. Use this month to concentrate on what you really want to achieve, where you want to go, and gather relevant data, recognizing that things could change and put you back to square one.

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