

Monthly Astrocast

September 2013



Key Events:

New Moon (13:04 Virgo): September 5, 2013

Full Moon (26:41 Pisces): September 19, 2013

Libra Ingress: September 22, 2013

Retrograde Planets:

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)

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

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

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

The New Moon on September 5 is in fellow Mutable Sign, Virgo, your 4th house of home environment, memories, cultural roots, endings and new beginnings and will square your natal Moon if your birthday is right around June 4th, giving it a stronger influence. Something new is likely to come into your life at this time or perhaps a new cycle begin that could relate to one of the many houses tied into this lunation by aspect. To get into that I'm going to take a bit of a circuitous path, starting first with that T-square out there involving Pluto, Uranus and Jupiter, so bear with me. Pluto and Uranus are squaring each other on and off until 2015 so you may as well take note of that one, if you haven't already. I've covered it several times already, I know, but if I don't then you'll think it went away, which it hasn't. Somehow I doubt that most of you have it on your calendar in spite of your propensity for collecting important and interesting data.

Pluto is in your 8th house of transformations, death and regeneration, sex, debt, shared resources, intense experiences and things you suppress where he is accidentally dignified since he also rules the 8th house of the zodiac. Thus, he is familiar and natural ruler of these matters. Uranus is the planet of surprises, disruptions, disturbances, rebellion, breakthroughs, innovation and technology and he's in Aries, your 11th house of goals, friends, organizations, groups, hopes and wishes where he is probably stirring things up to what could be a hectic pace. However, he can be useful in this house since he can bring brilliant flashes of insight. However, with that square to Pluto, these are not likely to come easily or be accomplished without some challenges which are likely to be life-changing. If you get bored easily, however, as many Gemini types do, then this will not be a bad thing but serve to keep your life interesting and stimulating.

The other member of this T-square is Jupiter who's in Cancer, sign of his exaltation and your 2nd house of income, possessions, finances, needs, comforts, pleasures and things you value. Your physical body is also included here as your most important possession. Jupiter is all about expansion so he's very comfortable in this warm, nurturing environment where he is not restricted or limited, going about his business like a whale in the ocean. Clearly this can be good for your finances, at least once he is out of that T-square. For now that square with Uranus may be making him seem more like a buoy afloat in a choppy bay. In other words, pursuing your goals may be costing more money than expected or surprises related to you budget are generally causing a host of problems. The opposition between Jupiter and Pluto suggests challenges as well and the need to balance spending with income such that you don't depend too much on loans to get you where you want to go. Pluto in the house that rules debt implies it can control your life or have too much power over you which in turn will have a detrimental effect on your goals.

Now for the good news. This lunation is aspecting all three planets in this T-square in a friendly, or at least mostly friendly, way. This calls attention to your home environment or perhaps simply a new beginning of sorts, whichever applies to your circumstances. The New Moon is trining Pluto in the 8th which suggests everything from a new means

for dealing with 8th house issues is coming your way. One example would be refinancing your home or perhaps moving somewhere less expensive to maintain. The Sun/Moon combo is also sextile Jupiter, showing an opportunity exists to expand your income or finances. Since I can't go into all the possibilities, if this doesn't fit then do the mix and match routine for the various matters included in the relevant houses to see which one fits both the 2nd and 8th houses as defined earlier. Last but not least, the lunation is also quincunx Uranus, an aspect that typically indicates an adjustment, change of course, or the need to justify your position. This suggests that maybe your goals will undergo some adjustments as a result.

Another aspect pattern worth noting involves Saturn, Neptune and Mars, also in a closed loop. Mars is in Leo, your 3rd house of thoughts, ideas, siblings, neighbors and local travel which suggests a lot of action in this part of your life. Saturn is in your 6th house of work, health, service and pets and being squared by Mars which implies a conflict between these two areas. Maybe what you want to pursue as a goal, about which you want to pursue your ideas, is being restricted by the necessity of working on something else. Nonetheless, this work holds an opportunity related to transformation or debt, perhaps in the form of paying your bills which you need at this time. Neptune is in Pisces, another Mutable Sign, and 10th house of career, reputation, public image and status. Neptune can be inspirational or deceptive. His dreamy nature can lure you away into Fantasyland and away from reality. Fortunately, your logical nature can help with that. He's ruler of Pisces so is very comfortable there and increases the energy of that sign which can also lure you toward compassionate careers of service to humanity. Just make sure you're not too idealistic. At any rate, Saturn's trine to Neptune can help you find the discipline you need to pursue your career vision, whatever it might be. Neptune is quincunx Mars which suggests and change of direction, also. This brings us back to your thoughts and ideas you want to pursue. So there is favorable energy between your job and career but your head may well be somewhere else. A change of direction with your thoughts is implied.

The Full Moon on September 19 is in Pisces as well, suggesting a culmination or shift to a new phase. More adjustments or changes of course are indicated between your job and goals. Your job may change suddenly and go in a different direction which may be quite beneficial and involve more responsibility or discipline to accomplish yet it will start an important new cycle that can bring financial benefits as well. Your goals may still be erratic as well as your 8th house of intense experiences but some good things are coming from it. Whether your goals change or your job changes is the question, even though it looks as if your thoughts will still conflict with your job in some way or be restricted. Your sign ruler, Mercury, is in fellow Air Sign, Libra, your 5th house of ego definition, creativity, children, romance, entertainment and speculation. This can stimulate creative thought but it will need to be balanced with your goals and the various disruptions you've been dealing with for a while. Financial impact is also likely to present additional challenges.

On September 22 the Sun enters Libra, not only bringing light to your 5th house but also marking the autumnal equinox in the Northern Hemisphere and the vernal equinox in the

Southern. When the Sun ingresses a Cardinal Sign it always brings a change of season. The equinoxes, by the way for you trivia junkies, are the only times the Sun actually rises in the East and sets in the West. The chart for these ingresses represents the energy of the coming season and an outline of what to expect in the quarter to follow. It is used mostly for astrometeorology (astrological weather prediction) as well as mundane and geopolitical astrology. I quite frankly don't know if it has that much bearing on individuals but I'm going to take a look at that possibility. I will welcome any feedback over the coming months regarding whether or not this applied. Astrologers learn as much or more from their mistakes as they do their successes so if I'm out in left field on this one I won't have any problem finding that out.

The Libra Ingress chart has the Moon in nextdoor neighboring sign, Taurus, your 12th house of spirituality, enlightenment, seclusion, confinement, institutions, self-undoing, hidden enemies, your subconscious and the collective consciousness. This suggests that you will require emotional satisfaction in this part of your life during this time. This may not be easy, however, since the Moon is in a T-square opposing Saturn and Venus and squaring Mars. If you're spending too much time working you may be neglecting this important part of your life. It's also possible that your thoughts and ideas (or perhaps situations involving local travel, siblings or neighbors) keep you so busy that you have a difficult time at work. This can also imply that you're wracking your brain at work and pursuing something that is a considerable challenge. Mercury is still in Libra which will help you express yourself creatively and otherwise. However, there is a conflict once again with your finances. Nonetheless, there's some financial benefits coming from your work at this time, even if the time spent earning a living is keeping you from what you really want to do. This is a time to take a close look at your priorities and what is most important in your life. Jupiter in your 2nd house of what you value has a subtle message since he rules your 7th house of relationships. You might want to look there to make sure the people in your life are receiving the attention they deserve and not being swept aside due to your goals and ambitions. This could be part of the message of the Moon in the 12th, hidden emotions that need to be acknowledged. The Moon rules your 2nd house of income and finances as well as what you value, by the way, which further emphasizes checking your priorities and what's truly most important in your life.

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