Monthly Astrocast

December 2013



Key Events:

New Moon (11:00 Sagittarius): December 2, 2013

Full Moon (25:36 Gemini): December 17, 2013

Retrograde Planets:

Venus: December 21, 2013 – January 30, 2014
(28:58 – 13:37 Capricorn)
Shadow until March 5, 2014
Neptune: June 7 – November 13, 2013
(05:22 – 02:34 Pisces)
Shadow until March 5, 2014
Uranus: July 17 – December 17, 2013
(12:31 - 8:35 Aries)
Shadow until April 3, 2014
Jupiter: November 7, 2013 – March 6, 2014
(20:30 – 10:26 Cancer)
Shadow until June 2, 2014
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

The New Moon this month on December 2 is in fellow Fire Sign, Sagittarius, your 5th house of ego definition, creativity, romance, children, entertainment and speculation. This is the house that Leo rules in the zodiac so these matters are close to your heart. If your birthday is right around August 3 this lunation will trine your natal Sun and give it more influence. New Moons are an excellent time to begin a new endeavor, especially that relates to the house in which they occur, so put it to work in a way that brings you some enjoyment and fun. The New Moon trines Uranus in Aries, yet another Fire Sign, which could result in a Grand Fire Trine with your natal Sun and even more energy. Aries is your 9th house of beliefs, expectations, philosophy of life, religion, politics, higher learning, other cultures, long-distance travel and relocation. Obvious combinations of these two houses include a romantic cruise, adopting a new attitude toward your children, going back to school for fun and profit and so forth. There is a hint of letting go of something in your past with regard to work which may not be easy but will help resolve anything in your belief system or attitude that may be holding you back.

The opposition between Venus in Capricorn, your 6th house of work, health, service, daily activities and pets, and Jupiter in Cancer, your 12th house of angels and demons, suggests the need to balance something related to those areas. Jupiter is retrograde, internalizing his energy and making him more philosophical. Your 12th includes inspiration, dreams, visions, spirituality, your subconscious mind, the collective consciousness, institutions, confinement, seclusion, hidden enemies and self-undoing. This could involve major ruminations at the subconscious level with regard to your work, especially if you don't like your job. There's some help to figure this out that gives the appearance of ricocheting around the chart. It could start with an ideas, perhaps one involving a new financial goal, which demands action to make it so. If you know anything about the Law of Attraction then you realize that visualizing what you want can help draw it to you, in which case Venus in your house of work may bring an offer your way which somehow doesn't feel right. This is where Saturn in your 4th house can provide some assistance by providing the structure or organization you need to put a plan together to make it all work.

The Full Moon on December 17 is in Gemini, your 11th house of goals, hopes, wishes, friends, organizations and networking which implies an ending, culmination or shift to a new phase of something in this part of your life. This implies it's time to wrap something up, whether it's your holiday shopping or some other endeavor. Jupiter is still plodding along doing the backstroke and the trine to Saturn is likewise still in force, suggesting some inspiration for organizing something related to home or a new beginning, perhaps. Creative ideas are likely which may be a bit difficult and may ultimately result in a change of direction, but are worth paying attention to. Mars has moved into Libra, your 3rd house of thoughts, ideas, siblings, neighbors and local travel but pursuing whatever is going on there may require breaking away from an old goal that is tied to the past in some way. A change of direction may be required or at the least a few adjustments so listen to your intuition.

About eight hours after the Full Moon Uranus stations direct in Aries and will trine your natal Sun if your birthday is right around August 1. This could be a major blast that could even involve some level of rebellion regarding a current belief system and facilitate breaking away from anything that has been holding you back. Pay close attention to your goals because they may be about to change, especially as they apply to the job situation.

Venus stations retrograde on December 21 in your 6th house of work, health, service and pets. If you wonder what the message might be for you in this then think back to December 2005/January 2006 which is the last time she was in that neighborhood. Anything left unresolved at that time may come back and demand attention. Taking action on that idea may be deadlocked if you're still tied to that old goal or surprises in that area have necessitated a new start. Power struggles related to work are possible or something may be holding you back that relates to an old issue. Bear in mind that the 6th is also the house that involves your health and healthcare so if you're having any issues that you've been ignoring you should take action to get them resolved as well.

Venus retrograde become the goddess of war rather than the goddess of love and she will put on her armor and pursue what she wants and take it as opposed to being polite and trying to attract it. More information on Venus retrograde can be found here and the chart is here. Venus stations just after the Sun enters Capricorn, an event known as the Capricorn Ingress. When the Sun goes into a Cardinal sign (Aries, Cancer, Libra or Capricorn) it makes the beginning of a new season marked by the equinoxes and solstices. These charts also tend to define the character of the coming season/quarter as far as mundane events are concerned. Thus, what occurs at this time is likely to carry a fairly high degree of importance so give it plenty of thought.

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