

Monthly Astrocast

March 2013



Key Events:

New Moon (21:24 Pisces): March 11, 2013

Full Moon (06:52 Libra): March 27, 2013

Retrograde Planets:

Mercury: February 23, - March 17, 2013
(19:52 - 05:48 Pisces)

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

Pluto Shadow Period until January 8, 2013

Neptune Shadow Period until March 2, 2013

Uranus Shadow Period until March 30, 2013

Jupiter Shadow Period until April 26, 2013

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Lunations and Long-term Aspects

This month the New Moon on March occurs in Pisces, your 8th house of transformations, sex, debt, shared resources, death and rebirth (figurative as well as literal) and intense, life-changing experiences. There is a tremendous amount of energy in that sign currently besides the New Moon given that there are four other planets in residence as well as the asteroid, Chiron, a.k.a. "the wounded healer." This is almost sufficient to issue a cosmic guarantee that something in this part of your life is going to be affected. Fire Signs are not very well represented currently with Uranus in Aries your only true ally. This will change before the end of the month, however, as the fast movers such as the Sun, Venus and Mars, enter Aries. But meanwhile you need to deal with all the Water Sign energy.

It is highly probable that at least one of those astrological entities afloat in the watery domain of Pisces is quincunx your Natal Sun, a somewhat awkward and unstable aspect which demands an adjustment, change of direction or justification for your current position. The planets include Neptune, Mercury, Venus and Mars as well as the Sun and Moon. Starting with the lunation and the charge to look for something new and potentially life-changing, this is most likely to affect those with a birthday right around August 14. Next is Neptune who rules Pisces and is thus in dignity there, where he will remain for a very long time. He is able to function to full capacity in that environment which can best be compared to Fantasyland. Inspiration, enlightenment, access to other dimensions and so forth are all within his venue. If your birthday is right around July 26 you should be able to access some of this energy connecting through your Natal Sun. If there is something about you or your life which needs to change this aspect can help you figure out what that may be.

Mercury is a bit of another story, at least right now while he's retrograde. Unlike Neptune, he is less than enchanted by the Pisces environment. This is the sign of his debility and fall, intuitively obvious descriptions of how he operates in that sign. He is much more comfortable with logic and practicality than Fantasyland and being retrograde makes it even worse. The effects can best be compared to have a few too many of your preferred adult beverage and what that would do to your thought process and judgment abilities. Since Mercury rules your 2nd house of income, possessions, finances, needs and pleasures as well as your 12th house of inspiration, enlightenment, confinement, seclusion, institutions, hidden enemies and self-undoing, you could be set up to make some unrealistic financial decisions or fall prey to your worst self-defeating behaviors even while your dream life may be taking you to places you've never been before. At the least, however, caution is advised. Your instincts are strong and can hopefully compensate to some degree from a lack of logical input but it's good to know what's out there in case you feel lost in a fog.

Venus, on the other hand, is quite delighted to be in Pisces, sign of her exaltation. In this locale her loving nature meets compassion which could team up with Chiron to provide life-changing assistance to someone in need and derive soul-felt satisfaction for yourself. Venus rules your 10th house of career, reputation, public image and status and is also the

natural ruler of love and money. This could bring a nice windfall of sorts, whether its a nice tax return or inheritance. Mars is somewhat lost in Pisces as well where his direct, energized motivation for action is comparable to the god of war afloat on a life raft in the ocean while a battle rages on shore. You may have a sense of wanting to do something but not sure what. However, in short order he will move into his home sign, Aries, where he will hit the ground running. Aries is your 9th house of beliefs, expectations, higher learning, legal matters, religion, politics, other cultures, long-distance travel and relocation where he will prod you to action in one of those areas. If nothing else, after all that contemplation and inspiration hailing from Pisces perhaps a few tweaks to your belief system may be in order.

Uranus is in Aries where he has been for a while now and currently trining your natal Sun if your birthday is right around July 31. This can certainly encourage unconventional beliefs, breaking away from the status quo, sudden travel or even a sudden move.



Jupiter in Gemini may be keeping you so busy with groups or goals that you hardly know which way to turn, which probably isn't being helped by all that Pisces energy. He rules your ego definition, children, entertainment, speculation and creativity, keeping you busy in that part of your life. He is moving into position at the eye of a yod, however, which will include Pluto and Saturn at the base, two slow movers with the potential to make a significant impact.

Pluto is in Capricorn, your 6th house of work, service, health and pets where he is quietly (perhaps) transforming this part of your life. He has a knack for uncovering secrets, especially dirty ones, or providing a sense of power and control which may be either felt by you or directed at you by someone else. Saturn is in Scorpio, your 4th house of home environment, cultural roots, memories, endings and new beginnings where he is also retrograde until July 8. Saturn RX is all about rebuilding and restructuring with progress typically slow and fraught with obstacles. Nonetheless, there is a connection of sorts between these three planets which relate to your goals at home and work. What direction to take may not be crystal clear at this time but rest assured all that energy in Pisces is helping prepare you for what it is, probably at the subconscious level, which is also where Saturn RX operates. Things are in work but the result is a ways off.

The Full Moon on March 27 is in Libra, your 3rd house of thoughts, ideas, siblings, neighbors and local travel. Look for an ending, culmination or shift to a new phase of something in that part of your life. Gratefully by this time Venus and Mars as well as the Sun have gone into Aries which will deliver a huge burst of energy. Venus is conjunct the Sun which can manifest as selfishness but sometimes being focused on what you want is not a bad thing, particularly if you're a person who has been greatly distracted by everyone else in your life and what they want as opposed to you. Leos won't put up with that for very long so if you have been feeling greatly oppressed you may assert yourself with a definite leonine roar at this time. Mars is at home in full battle gear and ready to

attack, but this could well come at the mental level as opposed to physical since it's occurring in your 9th house. Thus, this is a favorable time to get your beliefs lined up with what you want to accomplish, if nothing else. Until you know and can visualize what you want your chances of obtaining it are greatly reduced. Mercury is still in Pisces but at least out of retrograde, perhaps bringing some inspiration your way or insights which will give you a different take on life. This may not be entirely realistic but sometimes refueling a dream is exactly what you need to achieve it.

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