

## **Astrology Highlights and Coming Attractions for January, February & March 2010**

Happy New Year! How amazing it is already 2010 and right after the feeling of excitement and wonder comes the equal and opposite feeling of WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NOW?

We are inexorably sailing into the waters of accelerated transformation and restructuring old obsolete behaviors for our own good with the necessary opposition from the people and forces of nature that want to remain the same in the old familiar. The age-old battle of change versus stasis is now going to its 2010 version. 2010 is very, very interesting, because Uranus is going to peek its unique, inventive, mind-blowing energy of change into the sign of Aries, which is all about new beginnings and fresh starts. Uranus going into a brand new territory for a scouting mission June, July and August, then he slips back into Pisces allowing us to adapt and prepare for his position in Aries starting again in March 2011 all the way until May 2018!

This Uranus adventure is following on the heels of Pluto (transformation) going into Capricorn (business) in January 2009 and Saturn (structure) going into Libra (balance) in November 2009, so we are indeed in brand new waters. And we can see how much disruption, unrest and awakening Pluto and Saturn's new sign placement has caused, Uranus into a new sign will add even more spice to the mixture.

So the reason we think about the Mayan calendar and all the endings and visions of lack and poverty and fear and oh my goodness 2012!!! is because these are indeed pivotal times. When higher octave planets - Uranus, Neptune and Pluto - go into new signs and make confronting and challenging aspects with one another ... we FEEL it!

The part of the story that gets little promotion and needs a great deal more energy and imagination pumped into it is the part about all the new beginnings that are also occurring. All the new people, creativity, innovations and discoveries that are always prompted by hardship.

If we look we can see the incredible ability of consciousness to continue in new and unforeseen better versions of itself, the ability of life to constantly create and amaze and inspire.

Yes, many things are ending now. Relationships that no longer serve, systems and structures, jobs, fortunes, unending consumerism and even some lives - but the energy that was animating those 3-dimensional structures is unending and cannot be destroyed and will with some inspired imagination simply take on a new form.

We are like scouts and explorers, pioneers of new times this year going into a fertile virgin land in our imaginations.

The energy of Uranus in Aries is going to help inspire a wave of unprecedented design and invention and problem-solving that shows itself only when we are close to the edge.

The edge is the place where we shift gears, time-travel and go at warp speed to a new dimension - these times are not only about endings but many, many exciting and amazing new beginnings.

### **January 1- 17 - VENUS CONJUNCT SUN in CAPRICORN**

Venus and the Sun are holding hands and moving side-by-side, which is a lovely supportive feeling of nest building, home beautification and business re-modeling to start off the year.

This is a good time to make artistic business decisions, feel confident in love and partnership with an eye towards taking some necessary steps to strengthen and deepen a solid foundation. This is a lovely aspect of kindness and comfort shining a warming glow into the cold heart of winter.

Otherwise January may start off a bit slowly and feel a lot like December because we inherit a Mars retrograde in Leo and Mercury retrograde in Capricorn, so the sense of preparation for the new year, taking care of old business and using this time to continue to update your prices, your skill set, your concept, whatever you know could benefit from some editing and re-vision, this is the time to take care of old business.

### **JANUARY 13 - SATURN RETROGRADE IN LIBRA SQUARE PLUTO IN CAPRICORN**

Since Saturn is going retrograde just two days before the new Moon in Capricorn, which is ruled by Saturn, we can expect some of the NEW Moon energy to be blended with themes of bringing back some OLD aspects of the past to enhance balance in the Capricorn areas of our lives.

Taking care that Saturn doesn't overwhelm us with feelings of fear and lack, isolation and restriction. Using that version of the potential spectrum of Saturn Pluto experience, if it pops up, to re-mind us of areas where the deep work is being done and to respect the magnitude of transformation that is required.

In these digital times of instant gratification through all our technology, Saturn squaring Pluto ( January, February, August) reminds us that some changes especially these deep structural ones take time. Not everything is instant and we must have patience.

Keep persevering to bring harmony to ideas of dark and light, a little laughter, a little work, some dancing and then some heavy lifting. The "judging" of what new vision has been inspired by Saturn into Libra since the first of November. How this time period has informed you regarding business and relationship ideas and perhaps relationships that ended at the beginning of November 2009, coming in briefly for some healing or cathartic exchange of details or ideas, maybe even considering collaboration again with someone you thought you were finished with. It's an ongoing dance and the middle of

January could swing an old partner back around for a brief dosado. Saturn (structure and safety, father, past) retrograding in Libra (balance of opposites, relationships, judge of fairness) until April gives us a chance to integrate and incorporate our awareness, however quietly, around our work, safety and structural changes.

### **January 15 - NEW MOON CONJUNCT THE SUN IN CAPRICORN**

This New Moon could be a good time to clean out the cupboards and closets, donate old but good stuff you don't need or use anymore. Pare down to the bones of the framework, do a cleanse, remove the fat.

This clarity may help you notice what old resources you may have that are not being used and bring them out and dust them off. Talents and ideas, hopes, urges and skills that are lying around from your dormant past could be ready to make a reappearance in your life and reveal some hidden wealth and value.

### **JANUARY 15 - MERCURY DIRECT IN CAPRICORN SQUARING SATURN IN LIBRA**

This Mercury retrograde cycle started December 26 and so whatever reorientation towards your business and your organizational safety structure issues have been swirling around will now start to drift back down to the surface so you can play with this version for awhile and see how you like it.

With all the editing we've been doing this is the time to re-read the story and enjoy the sleeker, cleaner more concise iteration.

Now is perhaps the time to launch a product or an idea into the market place for some testing. With Mars still retrograde chances are it is not the final cut, the ship may not sail all the way across the great expanse but it is a necessary trial run.

This might also be the time when some necessary but difficult communication is shared with a partner, business or otherwise, that needs to safely and gently be received so that continued maturity, respect and tolerance can be maintained. Maybe some increase in responsibility or added duties that are not yet fully understood come into play and now is the time to make the job description very clear. New contracts and agreements could emerge at this time resulting in a feeling of needed accomplishment.

### **JANUARY 19 - VENUS INTO AQUARIUS AND JUPITER INTO PISCES**

Jupiter is expansive optimistic generous and wealthy, moving into Pisces (January through June, then September through January 2011) is a time of expanded compassion and sensitivity and really wonderful for all the Pisces people in the house.

An abundant helping of gentle dreamy good cheer coupled with Venus, the planet of love, moving into Aquarius, the sign of humanity brings hope that some socially beneficial legislation is passed, health care, human rights protection, we'll take any social expansion we can get! With all the cuts and limitations these two planets, Venus "the lesser benefic" and Jupiter, "the greater benefic" will bring in a much needed open-hearted thrill of hope and reminder that it is better to give and it is great to receive and there is an unlimited amount of love available to all of us at all times.

### **JANUARY 21 - SUN INTO AQUARIUS**

Aquarius comes at a time of year when a restless need for stimulation stirs within. It is the time when the isolation of winter, the darkness and hardship has done its work and an urge to unite with humanity, to come out of our caves into the light of day and share ideas and energy with others of like mind. This is when flashes of intuition and creative insights can shake up and ignite an otherwise stagnant status quo. Aquarius brings in a need for movement and change and different experiences and something and someone exciting and new.

### **JANUARY 30 - SUN IN AQUARIUS, FULL MOON IN LEO**

The full Moon is always the culmination and illumination of the Moon by the Sun from the opposite side of the zodiac. With the Aquarius - Leo opposition, we experience the creativity of the collective family of humanity and the equal and opposite urge to be special and significant in our own personal ego-based universe.

Finding not only the urge but the time and inclination to do something special, something that expresses our own unique individuality and giving it or sharing it somehow with our community, society or even our best friend.

Leo Moon brings the heart back into the equation. It gives a playful lighthearted approach to the Aquarian energy which tends to become somewhat intolerant or overly driving and persistent. This is the full moon that balances intellect and passion, head and heart, brilliant ideas paired with soulful joyful expression.

### **FEBRUARY - SATURN IN LIBRA RETROGRADE SQUARING PLUTO IN CAPRICORN**

Look for the Saturn/Pluto themes continuing all month - the hard work of getting our structures updated and in order and digging down into any outmoded behaviors, any obsolete structure and continuing to feel widespread unrest and intermittent fear of impending doom, scarcity and for some, survival.

Even if you have wealth and resources and lots of material abundance, these times can cause feelings of lack and "not enough". Again - if you are working on strength and providing safety through creativity, healing and transforming that which is out-of-balance

- the forces of striving to endure and overcome will support and confirm your efforts with slow but steady accomplishment.

### **FEBRUARY 11 - MERCURY INTO AQUARIUS**

Mercury the planet of communication enters the sign of technology and virtual connections to the global mind. Look for wonderful new ideas for communication and connection, maybe even yet another new tiny device to talk to or listen to or otherwise capture your mind and connect it to millions of other minds who you will never know in person.

But more importantly this is a quickening of your own mind and a feeling of inspiration and excitement of new ideas. All of a sudden a new computer, or software package, or finally the realization of how to use all the amazing techno stuff you already have suddenly dawns on you and instantly opens up a whole new world.

### **FEBRUARY 12 - VENUS INTO PISCES**

Venus, the planet of LOVE is exalted in Pisces, the sign of compassion and that makes for a lovely gentle feeling. It might be a softening which allows for an appreciation of music, film, painting maybe even some much needed amour! It is a night to enjoy some sensual delight with a special sweetie and give great thanks for their presence in your life.

For all the composers, actors, painters and otherwise artistic types this is a very fertile time for launching your next magnificent artistic vision or maybe just bringing home a beautiful bouquet of lovely fragrant flowers.

### **FEBRUARY 14 - SUN IN AQUARIUS - NEW MOON IN AQUARIUS**

A new moon is always a beginning, a time to set in motion with intent that which produces origin of action, a fresh idea, an awakening. This is a community-based new moon so ideas and projects could be launched that benefit people and animals, and plants some spark of design to bring freedom and functionality back to a human system that has been broken. It is time for planting the seeds of invention and genius into the cracked hard soil of anything that needs to be re-engineered.

Watch out for the inverted feeling of Aquarius which is being different to the point of isolation and separation from you fellow man.

This new Moon in Aquarius can show us just how amazing the human mind can be and how we can solve problems with the blink of an eye if we but understand that possibility.

### **FEBRUARY 19 - SUN INTO PISCES**

Pisces is the transcendence of the self, it experiences the oneness of the universe, the eternal vastness of the sea, which is both the great strength and utter weakness of the sign. The strength comes in the transcendence of the self and sacrifice to a greater purpose, a necessary blending and harmonizing that allows us to all live together and release our selfish desires. The weakness comes in sometimes being too confused by all the infinite possibilities to be able to make a choice. Take this moment with the Sun in Pisces to align with the great unknown through faith and spiritual knowing. Trusting in the cosmic guidance and knowing you are in the right place at the right time for the good of all concerned.

### **FEBRUARY 28 - SUN IN PISCES CONJUNCT JUPITER - FULL MOON IN VIRGO**

The full Moon in Virgo gives a welcome specificity to the Pisces Sun. This moon brings analysis and therefore guidance to the souls traversing of the great water. With Jupiter the planet of abundance next to the Sun there can be an expanded sense of possibilities, a lucky opulent, wealthy feeling, perhaps even "too much" and the Virgo Moon will bring a comforting ability to make some choices. We can emotionally hone in on detailed feelings and issues and tasks that need to be "fixed" through focused action. This Moon Sun opposition typically brings in the feeling of - everything is fine vs. nothing is fine. Of course the mid-point is the comfort zone.

### **MARCH 8 - VENUS INTO ARIES OPPOSE SATURN - SQUARE PLUTO**

Venus the planet of love, going into Aries wants something new to be attracted to, she wants a new lover. And as she opposes Saturn (hardship and lack) and square Pluto (death and re-birth) for the next week, watch for fault finding and impatience with your old lover.

Issues that need to be exposed due to their limiting and out dated essence will be brought to the surface. Psychological transformation through art, love and beauty will be the themes of the week. All dealings with women will be heightened. It could also be a women's group rising up and demanding responsibility and accountability

This is a time to bring your love relationships into the present, deal with what's grown stagnant and re-new commitments and deepen appreciation for the dark side of love. We may find richness and a constructive strength in relationship we didn't really understand until now. And if the relationship has reached its end, it will probably transform itself this week.

### **MARCH 10 - MARS DIRECT IN LEO**

Mars direct will release energy of creativity and construction and restless wanting to get on with it on some level that has been brewing since December. Watch for an over zealous approach that could benefit from just a bit of constructive boundaries, but it is definitely a time to jump and go for it and stoke the fires of creative endeavor that have been patiently developing from a much more internal place. Now is the birthing of the baby that's been growing inside since December.

### **MARCH 15 - SUN IN PISCES, NEW MOON IN PISCES**

The new Moon in Pisces emanates so deeply from the land of imagination which connects us to the divine, in its highest form and the deluded in its lowest, that it can sometime be hard to discern the real from the imagined.

Use this new Moon to conjure the vision of the next step in your journey, bringing from the deepest infinite creative space the colors and shapes of the picture of what's possible and launching it onto the palette of your life and watch it develop almost like a Polaroid shot of the next cycle of possibilities.

This is a deeply compassionate, spiritual, magical moon.

### **MARCH 16 - SUN, MERCURY & URANUS CONJUNCT IN PISCES**

Whenever Uranus (unexpected change) meets up with Mercury (communication, mind) there are usually several opportunities for adventure. It could be a new plan or maybe a fantastic trip or excursion, a vision quest, maybe experiencing some inspiring spiritually awakening stimulus that vitalizes your imagination for weeks.

A heavy dose of theater or ritual enjoyed with a group and being positively transported through fantasy to an exciting harmonic convergence in your own core.

### **MARCH 18 - MERCURY INTO ARIES**

This is the official spring time for Mercury, the communicator and traveler. Mercury is ready to wake up and get going and do, do, do. Not content to fantasize or dream any longer, the time is just about right for springing into action. Because Mercury is traveling in front of the Sun and is reaching Aries first, you could feel restless and impatient and a little sharp around the edges.

Tone it down if you notice a certain harshness or insensitivity and know that action energy that wants some progress and wants it now is soon going to find satisfaction.

### **MARCH 21 - SUN INTO ARIES**

Yay! The Sun into goes Aries and the official zodiacal birth of the New Year is upon us. This is the Spring Equinox when the Sun (light, the source of life) moves into the sign of the new

beginning. Now the planting, and moving action outward into the light of day can really start to take hold and the shape of the year to come in ACTION can really kick into gear.

All the promise of the spring, the potential and fertile possibilities stand before us now in pure raw essence. Here we are standing in front of a freshly tilled field ready to plant the seeds of this year's crop. It is a magnificent day to give thanks for what has come before and reflect on the great gift of the renewal of life and the power of BIRTH and what that means to you personally and collectively for all of us.

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