

November 2023 Astrological Outlook

GREETINGS:

As we all are painfully aware, October, with its 2 eclipses, arrived with the full force of a hurricane of change. November will bring a slower pace as we integrate the events of October. This is a fateful time on our planet and with the Sun, Mars, and Mercury swimming in the deep, murky waters of Scorpio. Synchronistic events are unfolding with the fierce energy of Mars, the planet of warriors, moving in tandem to the Sun and Mercury in Scorpio. November is a good time for launching new initiatives and to tie up the loose ends in as many matters as you can. Mercury will go retrograde at the New Moon in December (**12/12-1/2/2024**). November will be an active, productive month with the energies of the Lunar Eclipse on 10/28/23 at play until the New Moon in Scorpio on **11/13**. The first few weeks of November bring opportunities for transformation and growth without the dramatic changes that begin in November 2021, when the eclipse season of Taurus/Scorpio began. The energies and events of that time period are still being digested and the New Moon in Scorpio on **11/13** allows that lesson to end. As we move forward, I am reminded of the quote of Black Elk:

“Behold this day, for it is yours to make”. The beginning of November brings the Sun and Jupiter together (11/2) in an expansive opposition. That means the choice is yours as the month progresses.

MAJOR ASTROLOGICAL EVENTS IN NOVEMBER 2023:

SATURN BEGINS HIS FORWARD MOVEMENT:

Saturn is the planet of responsibility, maturation, and hard work. He is now in watery Pisces which symbolizes creativity, intuition, and dreams. From **11/4/23-6/29/24**, for the first time in 30 years, the urge to trust our intuition, take care of our mental and emotional well-being and enjoy creative activities is the gift Saturn brings us. This pattern lasts for 3 years (Saturn began his sojourn into Pisces on 3/8/23 and moves forward into Aries on 5/25/25). Thereafter he moves back into Pisces for additional experience of the oceanic, watery, mystical energy he is not used to. Saturn is serious, disciplined, pragmatic and is comfortable with the left hemisphere of the brain. Pisces is the polar opposite, with unlimited energy from the right side of the brain. It seems to me successful Saturn will open the depths

of our souls to us so we can move with the current of life. His maturity, ability to face reality and work with enthusiasm will be a bonus for those who do not resist this adventure in growing up. As a very Saturnine person, I am personally looking forward to a lighter heart beating in my body, and this is possible for any of us. Here is a quote from Ari Honarvar that speaks to me - *“Perhaps the most radical act of resistance in the face of adversity is to live joyfully”*.

SCORPIO ENERGY REMAINS STRONG UNTIL NOVEMBER 22:

As November begins the Sun remains in the stormy seas of Scorpio, ruled by Pluto, powerful lord of the underworld who lives in deep, murky waters. In addition to the Sun, Mars and Mercury are sidekicks to the Sun. Mars remains in Scorpio until he marches into Sagittarius on **11/24**, and what a relief it will be for him to dry off and move into a fire sign where he is not so pesky and aggressive. On **11/12** Mars opposes freedom loving Uranus in Taurus, priming the pump on the revolt against restrictive situations or controlling relationships. The courage, determination and passion of Mars struggles with trickster Uranus who is always full of surprises. This is a time to be careful since accidents and conflict are often a result of the meeting of these two. Another possibility is that the chaos of their energy will emit a flash of genius as balance returns. Time to be proactive, not reactive. Since Mercury left Scorpio on **11/11** for fiery Sagittarius it is time to be mindful of your words. The Sagittarius energy is open and loves to talk and sometimes he puts his foot in his mouth as Jupiter, the ruler of Sagittarius, is expansive and a natural entertainer. The Sun joins Mars on **11/18** and brings fiery, passionate, and dynamic energy forward energizing the feeling function.

SCORPIO NEW MOON NOVEMBER 13:

The New Moon in Scorpio puts us in touch with the deeper, darker sides of life—places where we may initially feel less certain of what we are dealing with. Fortunately Scorpio is one of the most resourceful of all the astrological archetypes, and it represents extreme persistence, finding solutions to get results with an inner stamina. The New Moon is conjoined with Mars, who has two kinds of power: a scorching hot side and a freezing cold side, just like the cold war or hot war. As the New Moon and Mars are opposed by Uranus, there is bound to be a surprise on the way. Because all of the planets are occupying fixed signs, we may have to eliminate our resistance to change. A new foundation may be in order and

will benefit us going forward. Uranus can also be sounding a wakeup call about something we haven't paid attention to. Since the Scorpio Moon is balanced by Neptune there is a good chance to clear up something you were not aware of. The New Moon is a time of introspection and reflection as energy draws us inward.

SAGITTARIAN ENERGY REPLACES THE ENERGY OF SCORPIO:

On **11/9** Mercury is the first of three planets to swim out of Scorpio waters into the joyous outspoken territory of fiery Sagittarius until **12/1**. What a transition from secrecy to mental energy that wants to talk, talk, talk about anything and everything, including world views. On **11/10** Mercury encounters sober Saturn and it may bring us a feeling of being off balance. The Sun moves into Sagittarius for 30 days on **11/22**, and the lightness of being is the theme for the month. Sagittarius energy is open to new ideas, eternally curious and an adventurer by nature, this mutable fire sign is always the entertainer. Fortunately, the Sun and Saturn meet on **11/23** and the weight of responsibility is in the air and motivation is the goal. Finally, on **11/24**, confident Mars moved into Sagittarius until **1/4/2024**, bringing the urge to take action, travel the world, and always be in motion. After his time in Scorpio, which he used to rule before Pluto was discovered, Mars is much more content to be in a fire sign where he can be assertive and self-assured. We can all take a dose of that! We will have the opportunity to feel more at ease and see with greater clarity.

FULL MOON IN GEMINI WITH MARS IN SAGITTARIUS NOVEMBER 27:

With Mars opposing the Moon in Gemini, patience may be in short supply, but if you have been in a rut, that time is over. It is time to keep moving forward, taking action, eliminate the gymnastics of the mind and self-guessing. With the Sun in a mutable fire sign opposite a mutable air sign, life will not be boring during this Full Moon. Even though the Moon is squared by Mr. Saturn, life will be a bit muted but not slow. It will be best to let the current move you forward even though you may be a bit confused and a bit off balanced. Mercury is square Neptune and that slows down the self assurance and increases the ability to daydream. The combination of planets in mutable signs (Moon Gemini, Sun Sagittarius, Saturn Pisces) can make some of us feel like a hamster on a wheel as the nervous system is affected with this combination. Time to be still and quiet until the energy changes at month's end.

November 2023 provides a period of relative calm within the storm of life. With massive changes occurring in the cosmos, we are all recommended to do inner work and increase our awareness of our needs and develop strategies to “trick the trickster”, i.e. the SHADOW we all carry on our back until we slow down and download the Magician energy of Scorpio. If I can help you in any way as you move toward progress, I am available in person or remotely to listen to your story and see if we can put some pieces back in the puzzle of your life.

WISHING YOU A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY AND A LIGHT HEART FULL OF LOVE AND LAUGHTER,

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