

GREETINGS:

October begins and ends with dynamic Full Moons, the first (on 10/1) is in fiery, energetic Aries and the second (Blue Moon) in October ends the month on 10/31 in Taurus, infused with the energy of rebellious Uranus. The forces that have pressured us all of 2020 are now escalating, so don't forget to breathe!

The Full Moon in Aries opens old wounds as we begin another month of life at the crossroads which feels like we are living in a pressure cooker and we need to shift our center of gravity constantly. The dominance of planets in Cardinal signs Libra, Capricorn and Aries, moves us forward in ways that we never imagined. Power surging Pluto moves forward on 10/4 and mental Mercury moves retrograde on 10/13, and Mars, retrograde in his own sign of Aries gets closest to the Earth on 10/6. Look for it as the brightest light in the sky. We will have many challenges to the Libra need to remain balanced and in harmony. Here are the highlights:

NONSTOP CONFRONTATION AND ASSIMILATION (10/9-19):

On 10/9 Mars squares off with Saturn which feels like driving fast with your brakes on. The result of this energetic combo is the pressure to manifest a more skillful representation of the Warrior Archetype as we get opportunities to externalize tensions. Don't be surprised if there are changes in the power structures of those in your life in relationship to your needs. On 10/11 the Sun in Libra squares Jupiter in Libra inspiring a sense of greater possibilities. On 10/15 the square between the Sun in Libra and Pluto in Capricorn forces us to step into our personal power. Also on 10/15 the Sun in Libra opposes Mars in Aries, bringing energy and awareness of where we are stuck and need to move forward. The New Moon in Libra on 10/16 offers us an opportunity to examine what tends to knock us off balance, as well as to find ways to introduce helpful systems and actions for greater equilibrium in our lives. Mars opposes the New Moon in Libra from its home in sign Aries, attempting to push into impulsive action. The planets Jupiter, Saturn and Pluto ground this New Moon from Capricorn bringing us the strength to do the hard work needed for greater maturation and strength. With Venus, the ruler of Libra in earth sign Virgo, forming a supportive triangle to the Jupiter, Saturn, Pluto combo, we are supported in our work, handling of details and cleaning up, and generally living life as a self-improvement project.

FROM 10/22 TO 10/31 THERE IS A MORE MANAGEABLE TIME FOR ALL WHO HAVE REQUESTED AND PREPARED FOR IT:

The Sun moves into water sign Scorpio on 10/22, bringing a welcome shift away from the tension of the action signs of the early part of the month. Planets in Aries, Libra and Capricorn move the Wheel of Life at warp speed, causing disequilibrium on a daily basis. On 10/24 Venus in Virgo and supported by Saturn in Capricorn, helping to stabilize relationships and to sort through what we really value. On 10/25 the Sun moves forward in Scorpio as Mercury moves backwards to join the Sun. This is an ideal time for uncovering secrets and diving deep into your inner life. On 10/27 both Mercury and Venus enjoin in peaceful Libra, with Venus going forward and Mercury moving backward. Time to give your mind a rest and enjoy life and look at the lighter side of life with gratitude and appreciation. At month's end, 10/31, the second Full Moon appears, with the planet of surprising change, Uranus combined with the Moon in Taurus, also opposite the Sun in Scorpio. This pattern is somewhat unpredictable and more emotional than most full moons. It may bring a radical shift to our reality. For many it will be a major turning point, for others it may shed light on the emotional ups and downs of life and lead to breakdowns and/or breakthroughs.

I hope you are ready to grow and change and learn and live with vitality in October. This could be a life changing time for many of us. If I can assist you in any way, with an astrological update, a counseling opportunity, or with help in strategic planning, please let me know. I am available by appointment in my office as well as phone consultations.

WISHING YOU JOY, DETERMINATION, COURAGE, PATIENCE AND A GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR,

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