GREETINGS:

As September begins, its astrological patterns bring us the energy of a whirlwind period filled with beginning and endings, twists of fate and unlimited surprises and opportunities for growth. September begins the last eclipse season of 2024, the time of the year where we have an appointment with destiny as the season shifts. With Pluto returning to Capricorn on 9/1 and a New Moon in Virgo on 9/2, earth energy is urging us to mature, be more pragmatic and release the difficulties and challenges of the past few months. The world is evolving at breakneck speed, and it is time to embrace change and stay open to new possibilities. **The first part of September (9/1-9/22, 2024)** we will be supported by the earthy energy of Virgo, guiding us to focus on health and build our inner resources as we develop healthy habits and firm up our boundaries. On **9/22** we come to the end of summer and have a balanced day as the Fall Equinox arrives and the Sun enters Libra, the sign of balance, beauty, peace, love and harmony. Day and Night have equal light!

ASTROLOGICAL TRENDS IN SEPTEMBER:

URANUS BEGINS A 5 MONTH RETROGRADE PERIOD (9/1/24-1/30/25); PLUTO MAKES HIS LAST VISIT TO CAPRICORN (9/1-11/19/24)

As Uranus, the planet of sudden and unexpected change, moves inward, changes and breakthroughs are likely. Since Uranus is occupying the earth sign Taurus it is time to reexamine and redefine our values and relationship to money, resources and how we value ourselves. Pluto re-enters Capricorn after a second stint in Aquarius on 9/1. Pluto entered Capricorn in 2008, challenging old paradigms, systems, structures and societal norms. **Pluto will move backward in Capricorn from 9/1/24** - **10/11/24** and move **forward in Capricorn from 10/11/24 - 11/19/024**, as he moves into Aquarius for 20 years. Pluto has returned two times into Capricorn, and it felt brutal as we returned to old frustrations and patterns. Fortunately, Uranus forms a supportive pattern with Pluto as he moves into Aquarius on 11/19/24, allowing us to find greater freedom and opportunity as we make our final stop before entering new energy patterns for the next 20 years.

NEW MOON IN VIRGO, MARS SQUARE NEPTUNE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2024

The New Moon in Virgo is asking us to integrate the patterns of Saturn and Jupiter. With the Sun and Moon joining together in Virgo, the archetype of wholeness, ruled by Mercury, we are urged to recognize what is working in our life journey and what is not. With Saturn in Pisces opposite the New Moon in Virgo, the influence of Saturn is somewhat somber and practical, and since Mercury is now in Leo, we are encouraged to speak boldly about what our hearts feel and take our feelings seriously, making time to look carefully at the details of our desires. Jupiter in Gemini squares the New Moon, increasing our awareness of what we are willing to try to have a more mature life pattern. The energy expressed at the New Moon will move us forward until the Full Moon Lunar Eclipse in Pisces on **9/17/24**. Enjoy the fresh start this pattern brings.

Mars squares Neptune on **9/2** as he finishes his time in Gemini. Both planets are at the end of their signs (29 degrees). Confusion, scattered energies and disillusion are possible. We can't think ourselves out of this pattern, so surrender is a strategy, and time to go inward is essential. Mars will enter Cancer on 9/4 as the plan of action moves into the Cancer zone of safety, security, family, home

and protection of those you love. Time for nesting, cooking and taking care of yourself and those you love.

A FLURRY OF MOVEMENT BEFORE THE FULL MOON LUNAR ECLIPSE IN PISCES (9/17/24)

Mercury is moving fast out of Leo and squares off with Uranus in Taurus on **9/7**. This may be a confusing day as feelings may give us a jolt. Mercury enters the home sign of Virgo on **9/8** where he is happiest. Mercury is witty, intelligent, detail oriented and sensible in Virgo as our rational minds are very strong and we can complete tedious tasks. The harmony and balance of Mercury at home in Virgo where communication efforts flow easily, paying attention to detail and thinking analytically are natural traits. Since the Sun is opposed by Saturn, also on **9/8**, which is time to face up reality and responsibility and rise to the challenges, the presence of Mercury in Virgo will increase the possibility for success. On **9/12** Jupiter and the Sun form a square where expansion rules and it is a great time to put your desires and dreams into action. On **9/14** Venus, planet of love and beauty, trines Jupiter, the planet of gold light and expansion. This is a great time to be sociable, beautiful and enjoy yourself with gusto! Spend your time with those you love.

FULL MOON LUNAR ECLIPSE IN PISCES SEPTEMBER 17, 2024:

The Full Moon lunar eclipse begins the eclipse cycle that ushers in changes for the Fall 2024. This is a very potent lunation, triggering release, growth, transformation and healing. With the Moon in Pisces joining Neptune, Uranus and Pluto form a supportive triangle with the Sun. This powerful combination of planetary energy allows us to undergo a process of letting go to make space for the new path that is emerging. Over the next two weeks, until the solar eclipse of **10/2**, we can accept change and integrate profound lessons as we move into new life chapters. It is a time where intuition guides us, so we need to listen to our inner voice.

THE SUN IN VIRGO DANCES INTO LIBRA AT THE AUTUMN EQUINOX: 9/22/24

On **9/19** the Sun in Virgo makes a positive energy triangle with Uranus in Taurus, creating a good time for all of us to move in a new direction. On **9/21** the Sun in Virgo opposes Neptune in Pisces which offers us a closing chapter of confusion. It is time to clean up the past. On **9/22** the Sun enters Libra bringing balance, beauty, time for friends and harmony. At this time the Sun is supported by Pluto as he moves forward. At this time Venus is at the end of her home in Libra highlighting power dynamics in relationships. Don't be surprised if your deeper feelings emerge, reminding you to use compassion and not give your power away in personal relationships. This is a prelude for Venus to move into Scorpio from **9/23/24 - 10/17/24**. Passion is on the way. September ends with Mercury entering Libra on **9/26** allowing us to think of others, seek peace and balance in our thinking. We will be more connected to others and better understand their motives. The month ends beautifully as the Sun and Mercury join together. The illumination that results should bring us all the information we need to be at peace.

September 2024 is full of opportunity and forward movement: sometimes too much movement! I am planning to be in my office for consultations with astrology, common sense, and psychotherapy available in person or remotely. I spent the first 3 days of September putting myself in balance, so let me know how I can help you join me in better days. *I will invite you to a small group at my house on the last Saturday in September (9/28) from 1:30-3:30. The group that met last month*

wanted me to talk with them about coping skills to deal with a world full of hate and anger. I am tempted to make this a therapy group for those who are interested in attending. I was trained to do groups like this and have forgone this skill since the pandemic. It is one of my favorite skills to use with others. I will send out more information soon. Also, after 3 years of horrible weather, I am hoping to resume my love of landscaping. To see my work over the past 20 years and read about my bio, click HERE.

WISHING YOU PEACE, BETTER DAYS AHEAD, JOY, HOPE AND GRATITUDE,

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