

The Cosmic Palette

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Dear Friends and Subscribers:

Before getting to the fun stuff, it might be helpful to review some of the challenging long-term influences we've been dealing with for awhile. We may still be required to tap deeply into our stamina and endurance.

The Yin and the Yang—February opens on the tail end of a stressful aspect between **Saturn** and **Pluto** which started last **October**, as the energy of *reconstruction* in business, government, and personal affairs continues it's sometimes laborious but inevitable process. (Vedic astrologers continue to research the outer planets unofficially.)

Saturn & Pluto can act in many ways and bring forth conditions that may lead one to ask, "What is the best way to go about re-vamping or regenerating my business or career?" Resources may still be tight, there may be further cutbacks, or it might feel like there's a pressure to come up with the right solution regarding a situation that appears forced upon us. Outwardly this may be true, but behind this process of loss is the invisible dimension that is bringing new, more appropriate forms into being—ones that will conceivably serve us far better than before. However, before a new building can be constructed, the debris of the old must be cleared away, and that can sometimes be a painful process.

It may be helpful to keep in mind that the forces of Saturn and Pluto are dancing to their transformative tune through **September**. It's better not to retreat into a dark sense of isolation and lose the connection with our deeper Self. On the material level, what seems like repressive disciplines give form



to our deeper ambitions and long-range goals. So there's a plus side even if the rewards are yet to come.



Saturn and Uranus—Not to be a gloom and doomer (I'm not), but as a post script to the above, the somewhat brittle and disruptive aspect between Saturn and Uranus, in effect since last **August**, also continues to contribute to the hostile polarization and revolution taking place in society. Fortunately, the intensity of these potent forces will have mostly played themselves out by the beginning of **September**, and this cycle will be over. Understanding the cosmic forces behind change can somehow make it easier to fully accept them, rather than to resist what's going on, and view the necessity of these cycles as something *normal* in life and nature. Astrology is not about avoiding the issues, but keeping the energies in mind and consciously doing what's necessary. Where there's resistance, there's pain—and there's a better way.

Jupiter Brightens up the Airwaves—Helping to balance out the Saturnian vibes, Jupiter continues to happily transit humanitarian and innovative **Aquarius** through **May 1**. Evidently, we've entered the "Age of the iPad" that'll be the new technological marvel to help us be productive, or simply distract us from the larger issues of life. Elsewhere, a great number of people have come together because of their charitable instincts under this Jupiter in Aquarius influence—Haiti. Here's the humanity that comes out of disaster, and the climate has been building for this since last May when Jupiter first entered Aquarius. There's a certain comfort that comes from knowing we're all human.



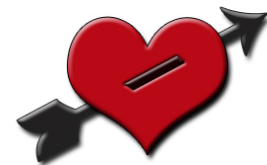
2/5: Mercury in Sidereal Capricorn—Mercury, the planet of the intellect and communication, is considered to be 'neutral' in this Saturn-ruled sign. Nevertheless, this placement can be helpful to business, adding concentration, thoroughness, endurance and patience in the decision-making process. The rub is that Mercury conjuncts disruptive **Rahu** on the **4th** and that can be stressful to communications and indicate a potential disturbance of friendly relations. Mercury remains in Cap through the **25th**, so practical solutions to the problems of commerce should be more forthcoming. This is a good Mercury placement for training those who are seriously interested in leadership or becoming an authority in their field.

2/6: Venus in Sidereal Aquarius—Venus is somewhat comfortable here and has a way of bringing out the softer more likable side of one’s nature—events seem to be more conducive to it. This is also a fine energy for studying the mystic sciences, including in group situations. Venus in Aquarius represents the ideal blend of love and friendship with one’s spouse or others while maintaining one’s freedom-loving inclinations. This force supports the socializers and should be a fun period for games, gains and gatherings. Lasts through **March 2**.



the experience of personal love and be initiated into the awareness of Universal love. Lots of potential love-vibes in the air. Singles have been forewarned ;)

2/8: Venus conjunct Neptune—Here is idealized love; the highest or lowest expression through the arts; strong spiritual inclinations or the desire to escape from the responsibility that love brings. Some will transcend

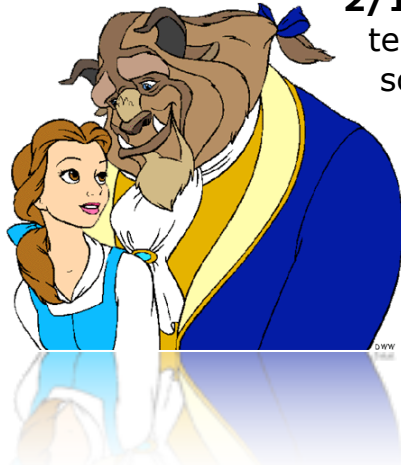


2/12: Sun into Sidereal Aquarius—The Sun, representing those in power and authority, is not at full strength here. Some will chaff from being in positions where they are subordinate to people they feel they are by nature superior to. But this can teach one a lesson that there is a higher goal in life, whether it pertains to spiritual development or humanitarian service. Lasts until mid-**March**.

2/13: Mercury opposes Mars—If a situation you desire is blocked, keep a cool head.

2/13: New Moon in Dhanishta nakshatra—This is a helpful energy, called the “Star of Symphony,” that indicates continuing interest in unifying others around a common cause. There is a tremendous cross-pollination of cultures that is bringing diverse groups of people together on a wider scale than ever before. Unprecedented.

The New Moon chart for our nation’s capital has **Sun, Moon, Neptune, Venus** and **Jupiter** in **Aquarius** in the 6th house sector—placing a tremendous emphasis on all matters pertaining to our national services: Army, Navy and Civil Servants as servants of the country. Jupiter indicates the possible expansion of their budget and roles.



2/16: Venus conjunct Jupiter—Whatever you do tends to be excessive or expensive—but classy! To some it will bring out their sociableness and stimulate popularity. Overall, it represents the potential harmonious relationship with others, including the stage of falling in love or becoming engaged. While not a long-lasting influence, the energy can indicate joy and happiness in life—a brighter perspective. The flip side is disadvantage through wastefulness or too much rich living. (Only your waistline knows for sure.)

2/25: Mercury enters Sidereal Aquarius—Here's the energy of progressive thinking, interest in innovations and reforms, creative imagination and enthusiasm—another 'neutral' sign position for Mercury but bringing some benefits and representing people who are logical and have fixed opinions.

2/28: Sun conjunct Jupiter—A short-term influence that for some can bring protection, leisure and favors.

Final Reminder: Mars in Cancer remains *retrograde*—through **March** —and we are still being asked to master some of our aggressive/assertive tendencies. Watch out for the incessant tailgaters and the crazies on the highway—they may not want to take no for an answer if you're slowing them down, and it's better to give way rather than battle it out.



Overall, because of the heavy influence on planets in **Aquarius**, this is a great month to **Twitter** and **Facebook** yourself to stardom. There's much to be gained by networking and reaching out to others in genuine service. The world is going gaga over communications and social connections.

The beginning of the year is a great time to take a look at your year ahead. Readings by phone or in person.

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