January 2022 Astrological Outlook

GREETINGS:

As I write the first astrological outlook of 2022, it is impossible not to look backward with 20/20 vision at 2021, the most disruptive year in recent memory. It reminds me of a fabulous movie of the 1960's, KING OF HEARTS. In this fabulous and amusing movie which takes place in Italy during WW 2, the Italians in a small town have vacated the town and the people in the insane asylum have escaped and occupied the town and the Germans come in and you can only imagine how crazy it became. I always spend some quiet time on New Year's Eve reviewing the lessons of the year on a personal level. I also write down what I have learned and put the list in my "Gifts from the Universe" box so I can move forward with confidence in the following year. In years like 2021, I burn the calendar so I can release the pain and disappointment.

January 2022 begins after some big changes in the last week of December: Jupiter moved into Pisces for the second time in a year on 12/28, bringing magic into our lives, as well as creativity, compassion and intuition. Venus, moving backward joined Pluto, urging us to transform our relationships, on 12/25, following the third and final combination of Saturn square Uranus in most of our lifetimes. We are all aware of the tension between the past and future and where we stand between them now. Mercury joined Venus in Capricorn on 12/29 and the powerhouse Pluto on 12/30. These patterns guaranteed we all grew if we chose to transform.

January offers us the opportunity for relationship transformation and a greater awareness of our inner needs. Here are some of the dates and highlights of January.

NEW MOON IN CAPRICORN:

Following the New Year's Day balancing act between the Sun in Capricorn and Uranus in Taurus and Mercury heading toward future seeking sign Aquarius, there is a sense of new potential, and the ability to envision a new and better future. Just prior to the New Moon Mercury makes a supportive aspect with the North Node of the Moon in Gemini allowing ideas to us that contribute to a new tomorrow. The New Moon in Capricorn on 1/2 urges us to move to a new order in our lives. The cardinal earth sign Capricorn represents order, determination and success in areas we can create viable plans and goals, in spite of difficulties that occur along the way. The attitudes of perseverance and resilience. The Sea Goat Capricornus climbs out of the sea and eventually reaches the top of the rocky surface of life. As mentioned above, this pattern occurs following a supportive trine from the planet Uranus, now in fellow earth sign Taurus, adding a flash of genius to our new beginnings. It is time for all of us to take solid action forward. NOTE: we have a second New Moon at month's end, in the sign Aquarius (1/31-2/1), urging us to find people we resonate with to increase the probability of success with kindred spirits who balance us successfully.

VENUS RETROGRADE IN CAPRICORN REMAINS VERY ACTIVE IN JANUARY:

On 1/8 Venus embraces the Sun in Capricorn supporting the creation of new, stable alliances and/or the renewal of peaceful relationships with others, allowing us to access a deep empathy, faith and awareness of our commonalities with others. On 1/29 Venus returns to forward motion in Capricorn allowing us to absorb the lessons we have learned before moving into Aquarius on 3/6.

JUPITER IN PISCES (PART 2) RETURNS TO PISCES FROM 12/28-4/10/22:

The giant planet of generosity and expansion Jupiter returns for act 2 in late December and remains until **5/10**, zigzagging back and forth between Pisces and Aries for most of 2022. While Jupiter remains in the watery sign of Pisces, compassion and creativity invite us to feel and heal our wounds from the past and clear up the conflicts that have held us back from our better angels. We now have access to unlimited compassion, imagination and altered states of consciousness. Pisces rules the unseen world of wonder and magic, and opens a portal to creativity and imagination, and magnifies and enlarges the elements found in water (feeling function) and our capacity of adaptation (mutability). Mark your calendar for the grand conjunction of Jupiter and the ruler of Pisces, Neptune, throughout the month of April 2022.

MERCURY MOVES US TOWARD REVIEW, REVISION AND REMEMBERANCE ON JANUARY 14:

On **1/14** we begin the first Mercury retrograde period of 2022. Officially this is a 3-week period not to buy electronics, sign documents, and expect delay and confusion in your communications with others. In actuality the period before and after Mercury moves backward is around 5 weeks, including the time in the Shadow period, one week before and one week after Mercury goes direct on February 3. Delay what you can and adapt where necessary. Mercury goes retrograde in Aquarius and dips back into Capricorn on **1/25** and is entangled with Pluto until February 14 when he returns to freedom loving Aquarius and we can all breathe freely again.

MARS MARCHES ON IN FIERY SAGITTARIUS AND ENTERS EARTHY CAPRICORN ON JANUARY 24:

With militant Mars marching through fire sign Sagittarius most of January, we have the energy to accomplish our goals or operate out of our reactivity. On **1/11** Mars and Neptune struggle between direct action and confusion. It is best to get advice from cool heads before taking action on this day, as some of your assurance and confidence may have disappeared. It is not the day to undermine yourself. Mars enters earth sign Capricorn on **1/24** where it will enhance our determination to succeed until **3/5**. Mars in Capricorn increases our determination and forward motion as we climb a mountain successfully.

POWERFUL FULL MOON IN CANCER ON JANUARY 17:

All Full Moons open a portal to balancing the energies of the signs of the Sun (Capricorn) and Moon (Cancer). This is the only Full Moon in Cancer in 2022. The sign Cancer is ruled by the Moon, which is a symbol of feelings, family, home and attachment, and emphasizes the most sensitive, feminine aspects of life, particularly our caring nature and emotions, the qualities that make us human. Don't be surprised if you have an overflowing of feeling before, during and after

this only Full Moon in Cancer. Our feelings will be intensified at this time, and there may be endings so there can be new beginnings. Pluto is active in this Full Moon, activating a deeper understanding of life and our place in it. Thereafter we may need to decompress so we can regain our equilibrium and move forward to the second New Moon of January, in the air sign Aquarius. The Moon in its own sign is very strong and allows us to be guided by our feelings into future right action.

Finally, in the past two years, the way that we view ourselves and our world has undergone massive change, leading to profound changes and realignments. If I can help you with astrological timing and awareness and/or psychological understanding of yourself and others, I will be available for consultations in person (if vaccinated and boosted) or on the phone. I am personally optimistic about 2022 and plan action toward new goals and dreams in 2022.

WITHING YOU A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS, ABUNDANT, JOYOUS YEAR OF WELLNESS AND JOY, NAN