

GREETINGS;

I hope you enjoyed the "Ring of Fire" total eclipse in Pisces on 2/26, and prepared a ritual to bring this "lucky" energy into your life in a new way. I followed the brilliant advice of my friend and wrote a letter to the moon and left it outside with all of desires in symbol form on top of it for emphasis. (For example, a golden key to my future and the hand made "purple heart with feathers and hummingbird symbols on it).

Now that March is literally around the corner, it is time to get ready for this manic, madhouse of a month to begin. We know that life is topsy turvy without understanding the astrological patterns, but using astrology as a guide at this time is very helpful, particularly so we have a weather report and can weave in and out of the challenges and opportunities. For me, that means I am back full steam into landscaping one or two days a week and in the office the rest of the time.

LANDSCAPING: If you have any plants left alive, they may need to be cut back since we have had more than 20 days at 80 degrees this winter. Let me know how I can help you with your resurrection of your landscape environment. The weather has been a killer of plants for 1 year: too much rain, heat, drought, wind and frigid temperatures. If you only need by advice, I am available to consult with you at an hourly rate of \$95.00. I am trained in horticulture (Texas Master Gardener and A&M) and educated in native plants and organics as well.

MARCH ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK:

As March begins, the Sun and Neptune join in Pisces painting us a colorful picture of unlimited creativity. Listen to your intuition and know that what you know through your 6th sense is true and as important as the "facts". Trust your gut and see where life is leading you. I suggest you stop for a few minutes several times a day and ask the intuitive voice for suggestions and messages. They will be hard to miss.

On March 2 Jupiter in Libra moves into direct opposition to Uranus in Aries, removing all restrictions in our awareness and action thereafter. Time to quit making excuses and get going on what we want and deserve and is our unique contribution to others. On March 4, Venus, the planet of values, love, and balance, moves backward for a 6-week review course on what needs to be acknowledged and changed. Our awareness of our true needs gets a review pattern every 2 years and the time is now. Mercury joins Neptune on this day as well, so don't be surprised if your intuition expands your conscious awareness of reality with regard to these issues. This is a good time to release old programming. Since this occurs on the subconscious as well as the conscious level, you may need some extra rest, sleep and a quiet time to reflect as this process occurs. Our attention should be to ask if we have what we want and need, as well as to examine what brings joy into our lives.

On 3/8, and again on 4/19 and 8/25, Saturn, the planet of fate, reality and assignments joins the Galactic Center for the first time in nearly 30 years. This is a major time of change for the planet and each of us individually. For many, if not all of us, it is time to practice the Serenity Prayer, and learn the power of spiritual surrender.

In addition to the patterns just mentioned, we begin the astrological year on 3/20 as the Sun enters Aries, experience a dynamic Full Moon in Virgo on 3/12 and our source of mental energy, Mercury moves between Pisces, Aries and Taurus in rapid time. The energy of these three signs (water, fire and earth), is like a rollercoaster of thought and speech. Use it well as Mercury goes into a retrograde phase in late April and we will have the opportunity to review and revise our decisions.

With Venus retrograde all month, it is important to note that the Venus Star Point occurs on 3/25 as Venus and the Sun form an embrace of light which hasn't occurred during the past 2 years, hence the harsh lessons most of us have learned in the interim. This period has felt to me like it is made of frayed edges, cut from a pair of pinking shears, impossible to stitch back together and unraveling more every day. Our lives are a kaleidoscope of changing patterns. We are advised to remember that as a door closes another

one opens: it is just Hell in the Hallway and we need to trust the invisible world to show us the current which will take us to the other side of this river of change. We are feeling the tension of opposites as the Shadow teaching and testing us. This is life at the crossroads and we need an action plan to stick to our dreams and desires. By 4/15 this Venus phase is over for another 2 years, reminding us to invest in self-care, self-love and self-acceptance. The purpose of this pattern is to bring all aspects of our lives into balance, especially those values that serve our desires and needs, our financial and relationship goals and our overall wellness and happiness.

At the same time, with fateful Saturn moving to the Galactic Center on 3/8, 4/19 and 8/25, we are being galvanized to move forward toward our destiny and toward a higher frequency for the first time in 30 years. Hang on for the rollercoaster ride of your life!

In mid-March Mercury moves into fiery, decisive, action oriented Aries (3/13) taking us out of the mental blocks we have experienced during the period of Mercury in Pisces (2/25-3/12). This is replaced with a decisive, single minded attitude, which is also enthusiastic and passionate. Since this change occurs just after the Full Moon in Virgo, it is a welcome turn around. The Full Moon in Virgo (3/12) is accompanied by a meeting of Saturn and Mercury, which emphasizes negative mental blocks, making communication challenging and optimism a choice of those with focus. Brilliant solutions are possible at this time as well as we stay brave and use hard work and discipline. The task is to control and balance the powerful emotions of the Full Moon as our inner harmony is restored.

On 3/17 the Sun and Saturn create feelings of too much pressure and obligation for many of us so take a break or the pressure cooker will blow its top for sure. On 3/18 Venus and Mercury join together in Aries making communication and social interaction more than pleasant. The mind and heart are joined as one on this day, allowing kindness and decisiveness to co-exist simultaneously.

On 3/20 the new Solar Year begins as the Sun enters the first sign of the Zodiac, Aries. We are pushed toward new growth and fresh challenges. We are advised to value ourselves enough to invest in our long term future from now on. With the Sun, Mercury, Venus and Uranus all in Aries, we are all bravely, boldly moving forward--whether we like it or not. Ready or not, change is coming swiftly.

On 3/23 Mercury and Pluto creative an obsessive mental energy, but on 3/24 Mercury and Jupiter bring about a flood of optimistic ideas. For those willing to share their thoughts with others, collaboration and cooperation are the order of the day. On 3/25 the Sun in Aries meets Venus in Aries, lighting up the opportunities for passion mixed with joy. This is similar to Venus/Sun eclipses which occur every 8 years, so this is a bonus for all of us. On 3/26 Mercury and Uranus join together creating an urge to speak truth, sometimes shocking others as well as ourselves with our genius and directness. Try something new at this time.

On the evening of 3/27 there is a New Moon in Aries, with Venus joining the mix and Mercury and Uranus uniting as well. This powerhouse activates our core values and provides lucky events. Our wants and desires are close to the surface and we are more than willing to act to bring what we love into our lives. Intuition is very strong at this time. Once we are sure where we are heading, there is no stopping us. On 3/29 Mercury and Saturn form a supportive triangle which encourages realistic thinking and focuses on security needs and getting organized on behalf of our goals and intentions. On 3/30 Jupiter and Pluto face the difference between their natures: freedom (Jupiter in Libra) and fairness for all, and power and control (Pluto in Capricorn). It will be easy for those who are not balanced to try to control and just as easy for those who resist force to exaggerate our position. Fortunately, on 3/31 Mercury moves into stable, grounded, Taurus, allowing us to focus on the facts and be practical and patient, particularly in financial matters.

WOW, this is a lot to take in, isn't it? For this reason, I will send 2 more emails during this life changing month. One will be at the Full Moon and the other at the New Moon. This is the natural cycle of change and assimilation. If you are concerned and/or unclear about your path forward, this is a good time for an astrological consultation. I have found this process a helpful tool for a reality check.

Let me know if I can be of help to you in any way on this Magnificent March Makeover.

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