

GREETINGS;

I hope you had a wonderful summer season and are looking forward to a September where balance and opportunity are your new normal. The Virgo New Moon on 8/25 coincided with the end of the grinding pattern of Mars and Scorpio battling it out in Scorpio. Maybe we can now get on with the business of solving our problems and find practical solutions to realizing our goals.

The fiery energy of the Sun, Venus, Mercury and Jupiter in Leo is giving way to the healing energy of practical, mentally nimble Virgo archetype. All the tools for rebuilding our lives and consciousness are available if we choose to use them. The 5th and last of 5 SuperMoons occurs on 9/8-9, the Fall Equinox on September 22, as the Sun enters Libra and day and night find balance once again, Pluto moves back into the game on 9/22 as well, and we end the month with a New Moon in Libra on September 23-24. The Wheel of Life is moving in a new direction for all of us and the period between 9/22 and 12/21 will rearrange our lives in ways we cannot imagine.

LANDSCAPING: Unbelievably, Fall is upon us and it is the best growing season in Houston, so prepare to clean up, plant and prepare for Fall/Winter. If I can help you in any way, I have a team of landscape professionals who can handle all of your needs. If you need a consultation, I am available for \$95 for an hour of my time. Remember, September is the month when we have some of our strongest storms and you may have noticed that trees are being pruned by Centerpoint for that reason. Please get all limbs near the house pruned, as well as all dead limbs which will fly off. I have a fabulous tree contractor if you need one.

SEPTEMBER ASTROLOGICAL OUTLOOK;

As August ends, we should all feel a sign of relief from the tension of Mars marching toward Saturn in turbulent Scorpio. By Labor Day, we will be recovered and ready to enjoy life thoroughly. The Moon is in joyous Sagittarius on 9/1 and is part of a grand fire trine, so plan to enjoy yourself with optimistic, interesting people. On 9/3 the Sun in Virgo is balanced by the planet Pluto in Capricorn, so it is time to get to work on whatever is on your horizon. On 9/5 we may begin to see our optimism fully recover as we can more clearly see how loss creates opportunity. Venus enters Virgo as well and it will be easier to find practical solutions to old problems and seek helpful people to assist you in this task. On 9/8-9 we will feel the influence of the beautiful Harvest Moon as the Sun in Virgo is reflected in the light of the Pisces Moon, urging compassion when in service to others. This is a time in which our giving nature is in full bloom. On 9/11 Venus in Virgo opposes Neptune in Pisces, a reminder that chasing romantic fantasies can undermine our common sense. On 9/12 the Moon occupies earthy, practical Taurus and is balanced by planets in earth signs Virgo and Capricorn. This is the first of 3 days when it is easier to get things accomplished.

The second half of September finds the energy shifting and becoming more volatile. First Mars enters fiery Sagittarius where impulse and courage increase. A crazy-making creative pattern occurs as Mars engages with Neptune in Pisces, ending on 9/21, just before the Sun enters Libra on 9/22, inclining all of us to review our relationship needs. With Pluto moving forward on 9/22 as well, the message of our deeper needs cannot be ignored any longer. Expect some fireworks the first week of October when the Sun in Libra opposes the Sun in Aries and squares Pluto, now on the move. On 9/24 a powerful New Moon in Libra is intensified by its contact with Pluto in Capricorn and Uranus in Aries. Enter this period with lots of plans for improved relationships with others and enjoy the balance afforded by Jupiter in Leo being balanced by Uranus in Aries on 9/25. This is the time to experience your creative forces intensified by your originality. Make something happen at this time. Expect leaps of intuition and brilliance and good fortune in unexpected places and with unexpected people. This is also a time of unexpected travel and education. On 9/27 Mercury enters Scorpio where it will begin to slow down and go retrograde from 10/4-25. This begins a period of deep feeling for all of us. September ends with a bang as the Moon in Sagittarius joins Mars on 9/29 and Venus enters Libra. Plan something socially this day as it is not a day to be home alone.

After this overview, some additional detail may be helpful as well. Mercury moves from Libra (9/1) to Scorpio (9/27), from air to water. When Mercury is in Libra, we seek balance, fairness and peace in our relationships with ourselves and others. When Mercury is in Scorpio, we have a harder time maintaining this intention, especially during the 3 weeks Mercury is retrograde (moving backward). The trickster energy prevails from 10/4-27), so we would all be well advised to take advantage of Super September and get as much accomplished as possible.

Venus draws our attention to our desires and needs and what we value. In September Venus is in Leo until 9/5. Play as much as possible during that time. When Venus enters Virgo (9-5-28), we are drawn to fixing everything that needs fixing and using our practical selves to deal with our life issues. This is the time to get to work and see progress in all we attempt. As Venus enters Libra (9/29), our relationships will once again become a focus of our attention.

Mars draws our attention to our passions and conflicts within ourselves and with others. As Mars moves through Scorpio till 9/13, issues around money, shared financial responsibilities and sexuality may intensify. When Mars moves into Sagittarius on 9/13, it is time to lighten up and move on and seek higher knowledge and travel if we can. Don't be surprised if your clarity improves and your need to share your opinions is stronger.

The beautiful balancing act between Jupiter in Leo and Uranus in Aries which completes on 9/25 is a gift for all of us who are striving to grow, heal, and create a better world for ourselves and others. Keep attuned to this possibility all month and seek guidance revealing where we get in our own way, and who does not support our growth.

I am back in the office all of September, and welcome the opportunity to help you maximize your growth and healing in this time of change and renewal. As you know, I have a world of information to share and learn from each of you in your journey.

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