

Musings on Starlight

“Today human evolution is at a turning point where an old paradigm and a challenging new awareness are uneasily trying to coexist. We are wedded to an outmoded view of the Universe and yet civilization is pregnant with a new, exciting and optimistic understanding of life.” *Lipton & Bhaerman**

July starts off under the influence of the third of a series of eclipses on July 1. This particular eclipse is powerful as it is in cardinal signs - which connote action - and because it activates the Cardinal Cross – the sign of our times.

We can witness outwardly where evolution needs to occur as we see the failure and corruption in many of our longstanding institutions. But the clarion call of the Cardinal Cross has an inner dimension as well. It encourages each of us individually to sidestep outmoded ways of being and to evolve to a higher level of consciousness.

In crisis lies opportunity.

Being open and flexible will be a good strategy for July as there are a number of quincunxes – an astrological aspect which requires ongoing adjustment. The Summer in general is a good time to be aware of breakthroughs or revelations that come our way.

July 1st is the New Moon Solar eclipse at 9 degrees of Cancer. If you are feeling down during this time examine what emotional patterns -inherited and well as acquired – you carry that no longer serve you or that interfere with the journey to a more evolved sense of self. The Cardinal Cross encourages us to examine our belief systems and shed beliefs and assumptions which may prevent us from going where we need to go. Many writers have noted that we live in a culture where the role of the victim is widespread – where people in positions of power seem unable to act in proactive ways. The Cardinal Cross calls us to step out of the shadow of victimhood into a more empowered view of our lives, our potential and our ability to create positive change around us.

Venus enters Cancer on July 4th Venus will activate the Cardinal Cross early in the month. This provides good timing to examine issues of self esteem and how we nurture ourselves. Let go of outdated beliefs and set goals to aspire to something more appropriate and evolved.

On July 10th Uranus will station retrograde at 4 degrees of Aries. It has been a busy time on planet Earth and the retrograde period of Uranus (through Dec 10th) will provide excellent timing for breakthroughs and revelations to occur if we are open to them.

The Full Moon this month falls on July 15 is at 22 degrees of Capricorn.

July 16 through the end of the month Mars will conjunct the South Node. This aspect can bring the resurfacing of men in our lives with whom we have powerful karmic connections. The aspect itself is not indicative of an empowered process and we may feel as if it is difficult during this time to move forward the way we would like. Extra patience and discrimination is advised.

July 23 the Sun enters Leo creating a quincunx to the Cardinal Cross. Be flexible and adaptable.

Mercury enters Virgo on July 29 – trining Pluto. This may bring more clarity in our thinking about Cardinal Cross matters. It also may help with the integration of revelations or breakthroughs.

June 28 Venus enters Leo which can usher in a time for fun and levity.

“We must individually and collectively reexamine many of the fundamental assumptions our civilization accepts as true. These beliefs we find inadequate or incomplete must be revised so that the new awareness is integrated into civilization and becomes our new way of life.” *

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