

Musings on Starlight

“It later became clear to me that no matter what we do in science or any other area, it will not help if we don’t find a way to be related to each other at a deep level.” *David Bohm*

One of the significant planetary events of February is Neptune’s transit into Pisces on Feb 3 – a sojourn that will last for roughly twelve years. Neptune the god of the sea rules the realm of dreams, of creativity, and of spirituality. It also rules addiction – often referred to as a derailed spiritual journey.

This placement historically has correlated with a time of spiritual growth and awareness. Creativity can flourish. Increased guidance will be available through intuitive channels and dreams.

It bodes well under this influence to take steps towards living a more inspired life.

Mars continues in retrograde motion in Virgo throughout the month. Examine the use of personal energy in your everyday life. Looks for ways to lessen stress, build strength and get tasks done with more harmony and efficiency. Set intentions for improvement.

Frustration and impatience can surface more easily with this Mars retrograde. As with all retrograde periods it is best to turn inward during this time rather than pushing too hard for progress in the outer world.

Testy relationship dynamics (in all types of relationships) are in play throughout the month and provide fertile ground to practice patience, compassion and understanding. A dash of humor can help also!

Through the 7th Venus and Mars the celestial lovers are opposed – friction, disagreements and irritability can arise with this influence.

Venus will move up to a conjunction with Uranus on 2/9. This is a highly charged energy and is known in individual charts for its love of freedom, innovation and for its strong willed nature. Difficulties can arise in relationship dynamics that feel too controlling or limited.

Love at first sight experiences or surprising and highly charged connections can occur under this aspect also. Just a word to a wise - very often relationships that start under this influence have a volatile or unpredictable nature to them.

The Full Moon is in Leo this month on 2/7. Saturn stations retrograde at 29 degrees of Libra on the day of the Full Moon. It is a good time to review the ways we have grown in the relationship sphere over the past two years – and to integrate any necessary lessons.

On the 8th Venus will move up to a square with Pluto. This aspect is associated with loss in love and can stir up concerns about not having what is needed in the areas of love, relationship and finances. It can also bring up issues related to control and power. Use the creative tension of this aspect for letting go of outmoded ideas about love, security and stability.

The New Moon is 2/21 at 2 degrees of Pisces - a very good time to access guidance from higher planes and set new intentions.

The Sun will enter Pisces on 2/19 aspecting Pluto and Jupiter. This will usher in a more expansive time.

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