

Musings on Starlight

An Astrological Forecast for January 07 by Amelia Shea

" Saturn is associated with the archetype of the Wise Old Man, a kind of Celestial Schoolteacher, who employs pain as a messenger to inform us of those aspects of ourselves which need attention and development. Running away from that sphere increases rather than diminishes the discomfort; but listening to what Saturn is trying to teach us or show us gradually transforms our sense of inadequacy into feelings of increasing completeness, solidity and worth."

Howard Sasportas

Saturn is the oldest of the gods and was given rulership over the earth. Saturn as such teaches us the laws of the material world often through a sense of fear, frustration and limitation. We are now in Saturn's season as the Sun entered Capricorn, the sign ruled by Saturn on the Winter Solstice December 21.

Wherever Saturn is placed in your chart there tends to be fear of anything new. Often there is a clinging to the status quo and a curtailing of creativity. What actualizes the positive side of Saturn is hard work, persistence and patience. As a result slowly and over time Saturn will grant success and a sense of accomplishment.

On January 3 there is a Full Moon in Cancer. Cancer is the sign of the nurturer and this Full Moon will illuminate issues having to do with personal security and comfort and how we provide for ourselves. Saturn is retrograde now until April 19 so it is an excellent time to review the structures in our lives.

Venus the goddess of love and pleasure conjuncts Chiron the asteroid of the Wounded Healer at 7 degrees of Aquarius on January 10 and is in influence Jan 6 through Jan.16. This will be a time when old wounds are triggered providing an opportunity for clarity, evolution and healing. It may feel chaotic but the key is looking underneath the chaos to perceive the deeper issues. The people most affected by this have planets at early degrees of Aquarius, Scorpio, Taurus and Leo.

Mars the war god is conjunct Pluto the Lord of the Underworld on January 13 at 27 degrees of Sagittarius. It is in influence Jan 6 - Jan 21. This a volatile duo that can use aggression to solve problems. It can be a time of heightened power struggles with others.

Jupiter the god of excess squares Uranus the god of the unexpected on January 22. This aspect is in influence now through mid June. It is best under this influence to practice patience and forethought as it is an aspect of impulsive and strong willed action.

Pluto continues to transit the Galactic Center. This aspect amplifies energy. With influences tending toward the volatile and excessive it's a good time to cultivate clarity and moderation in personal thoughts and actions.

In the words of Alice O. Howell or as Saturn might advise us , " Make time your friend."

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