

Musings on Starlight

“What seas what shores what grey rocks and what islands
What water lapping the bow
And scent of pine and the woodthrush singing through the fog
What images return
O my daughter.” TS Eliot

The Sun entered Pisces, the watery realm of the sea god Neptune, on February 19.* Pisces is the final sign of the zodiac and the sign concerned with universal love and compassion. People born under this influence often are as adaptable as their element water and feel most harmonious when in sync with larger spiritual or creative forces.

Frequently described as otherworldly and poetic, Pisces natives are often known for their kindness and sensitivity.

When the Sun is in Pisces it's a good time for spiritual and creative renewal.

Mars will be in the sign of Cancer March 4th through May 9th. Security is likely to be a concern under this influence. It's a good time to identify the things which contribute to and fortify your inner sense of security now.

Mars will oppose Pluto on March 7th. This influence has been in effect for awhile now as Mars opposed Pluto in Sagittarius and now will oppose Pluto in Capricorn. This is a compulsive influence and can cause repressed anger to come to the surface. There may be lessons to be learned here.

The New Moon is also March 7 at 17 degrees of Pisces. With the Sun and Moon conjunct Uranus this is a good time to be open to new directions in your life. Also new definitions of your life. Visionary energy abounds.

March 8th the Sun moves up to a conjunction to Uranus. This influence has an evolutionary nature to it as Uranus is the maverick planet of the future. It encourages us to keep moving in the direction of our own unique calling and to move away from outmoded expectations and traditions. Uranus will be in exact opposition to Saturn on election day Nov 4 this year. The Saturn Uranus opposition will be a major force this

entire year creating tension between innovation and tradition.

Venus will be in the sign of Pisces from March 12 through April 6^h. A cycle is closing – this time it concerns what we value. Look to see how this area of your life has changed.

Spiritual guidance and inspiration are available with Mercury in Pisces March 14- April 2. Intuition is also enhanced under the Pisces influences – there may be major insights all month.

Venus will trine Mars on the 16th providing a good time for romance. Also on March 28 Jupiter will be sextiling the Venus, Uranus and Mercury conjunction. Venus/Uranus aspects are known for (among other things) love at first sight as well as unconventional romantic encounters. Uranus conjunct Mercury is known for surprising news and messages. So the end of March may be an exciting and unpredictable time.

The Sun will enter Aries on the Vernal Equinox March 20.

The Full Moon of March 21 is at 1 degree of Libra. This Full Moon encourages us to have the courage to do the transformational work necessary to have a more abundant future. Opportunities abound as long as we are willing to identify and let go of limiting patterns.

“The secret of the Philosopher's Stone is to look with the eyes and see with the heart.”
Petrus Bonus, alchemist.

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