

# Musings on Starlight

*"The universe always mirrors back to us the conditions of our dreaming."* Alberto Villoldo

Mercury continues in retrograde motion until late in the day May 11 EDT. This retrograde period has been good for reexamining our deepest values – what really matters to us on a profound level – and how to bring those values into a closer alignment with the way we live our everyday lives.

There will continue to be revelations about corporate mismanagement and betrayal of the public trust as we move into the future. There is an evolutionary need for "business as usual" to be replaced with more evolved systems. This affects as personally as well as collectively. As Venus moves into the Saturn, Jupiter and Uranus configuration midmonth, the need for reform in areas related to finance and the use of natural resources will be on the front burner personally and collectively. It provides good timing to reevaluate the limitations we may have set for ourselves in our own lives and an opportunity to envision and implement a more expansive, innovative direction.

Another important theme this month is relationship. As Saturn moves through Libra for the next couple of years, unbalanced and unhealthy relationship dynamics will be challenged. As Uranus moves into Aries this spring, initiating its roughly seven year transit through this sign, there will be more of a pressing need to honor individuality in partnership. Limiting patterns will be up for review. Relationships will need to strike a new balance and move in a more evolved direction. Holding a bright vision of the future will help to manifest harmony.

It is wise throughout the month to keep aspirations and intentions high.

Venus will move up to an opposition to Pluto from the 20<sup>th</sup> through the 26. This aspect is associated with karmic relationships of all kinds and can bring up challenging and longstanding issues related to love, loss, abundance and self esteem. Shine some light on this area of your life at this time, identify old patterns which have the power to derail you and set some new, positive intentions. There is an old anonymous saying, "If you put a small value upon yourself, rest assured the world will not raise your price."

On the 23, Jupiter moves up to an exact opposition to Saturn. This aspect reflects the ongoing tension we see in public life about how corporate or governmental ethics manifest in everyday reality. It is a reminder of the ongoing opportunities to operate from a place of higher values into our lives – private and public.

The Full Moon is May 27 at 6 degrees of Sagittarius. The end of the month has a lot of planetary activity. Uranus moves into Aries on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Saturn and Neptune station the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31. This kind of timing can

create confusion. Rather than taking action or making decisions, it is a better time to listen to messages or guidance that may come and then review them within three or four days.

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