

Musings on Starlight

An Astrological Forecast for September '06 by Amelia Shea

“Saturn Neptune can be that experience where we feel that our existing life structures don't measure up to our ideal. We must realize that this moment is IT – this life is our vessel of the spirit. Saturn Neptune tells me manifest your vision now. Master your disappointment. Build and sustain the temple of your life. Don't fall apart or waste away or become dysfunctional.” Greg Bogart , The Mt Astrologer .

The Sun entered the constellation of Virgo on August 23 where it will travel until Sept 23. The symbol of Virgo is the Virgin holding a sheaf of wheat. The Virgin denotes perfection which Virgos are often striving for and the sheaf of wheat symbolizes the harvest the discriminating process of gathering sustenance for the winter.

There is a significant amount of planetary activity this month and making an increased effort to stay grounded and centered will be very helpful.

On Sept 4 Pluto the Lord of the Underworld stations and moves direct. Pluto is now traveling through the late degrees of Sagittarius. Throughout time Pluto in Sagittarius has been associated with religious wars.

On September 5 the Sun opposes Uranus the planet of the unexpected. These are both volatile aspects which can contribute to increased violence as well as accidents and surprising occurrences. Nourishing the nervous system is a good idea.

The Lunar Nodes which govern personal and collective destiny recently moved into Pisces and Virgo and are now squaring Pluto. Squares create tension and the need for action. Aspects such as these can create fear, anxiety and a great sense of uncertainty about the future. But Pluto is also the Lord of catharsis and transformation and offers us this month the opportunity to examine our anxieties and fears to move ahead in a more compassionate and empowered way. There are two eclipses this month; the first a lunar eclipse on Sept 7 at 15 degrees of Pisces and the second a solar eclipse on Sept 22 at 30 degrees of Virgo. The Pisces Virgo axis is about moving our day to day lives into closer alignment with our spiritual views or aspirations. This month is an excellent time for improving health, moving our work in the direction of right livelihood and increasing our compassion for other beings who inhabit our planet.

The Autumn Equinox is Sept 23.

On Sept 24 Jupiter the planet of excess and grandeur moves into a square with the Saturn Neptune opposition and can create unrealistic expectations about creating structures in our lives. This influence will be felt through late November.

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