

## Musings on Starlight

An Astrological Forecast for November '06 by Amelia Shea

Autumn in the northern hemisphere is a time of turning inward. The trees shed their leaves, we put the gardens to bed and the earth prepares for her long winter's rest. For us too life becomes a time of more introspection and solitude as we commence the journey through the darkness to the light of the Solstice.

This November is somewhat of an extraordinary time in Astrology due to the number of planets in Scorpio. Pluto the Lord of the Underworld holds rulership over this sign and Pluto is known for his dark cold and shadowy underworld, his abduction of Persephone and for his deep transformative ways and means.

The Sun, Mars, Venus, Jupiter and Mercury will all be in Scorpio through Nov. 16. This period is an excellent time rethinking (Mercury is retrograde until 11/18) our power; how we use it in relationship to others, to our work and our goals. Venus in Scorpio urges us to think about what it is that we truly value and how to bring more of it into our lives. When Jupiter's presence is strong as it is this month it is an excellent time for expanding the horizons of our normal perceptions.

Come November 20 on the New Moon all of the planets will be moving direct for the first and only time in 2006. This is an optimum period to put any new life plans into effect

Saturn will then turn retrograde on Dec. 5.

As Astrologers we see sometimes windows of opportunity for making major and perhaps longed for life changes. Nov 20- Dec 4 will be just such a time.

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