



Starlight Message from Gloria Star

Autumn Equinox 2016 Sun in Libra 2016 Issue

The Equinox cycles occur twice yearly, marking a time when the hours of light and dark are balanced and equal ... or close to it. As we experience the Autumnal Equinox here in the USA, the hours of daylight begin to diminish. I hear a fair amount of lamentation about that, since we humans tend to enjoy having as much light-filled time as possible. Fortunate we are in that we have other means to create our own light on an "as needed" basis. It's something to keep in mind when life situations may seem to create a compromise with our inner light. This is an opportune time to reconnect with that eternal flame quietly illuminating the truth of

ourselves, and allow that divine light to shine through!

When the **Sun's rays shift into Libra on September 22nd** (10:22 AM EDT), we enter a thirty-day period when relationships, romance, beauty, and balance take center stage ... along with a more noticeable quality of indecisiveness. It is noteworthy that communication-oriented **Mercury will be leaving its retrograde cycle earlier on the 22nd**, (at 1:31 AM EDT) although patience may be required if you're hoping to get anywhere without delay. Perhaps the day of the Equinox will be better spent in situations that are more easygoing? With special blessings from Jupiter, now beginning its year-long cycle in Libra, there's potential for a more hopeful and generous attitude. In fact, from September 22nd - 26th, while the Sun moves head to join with Jupiter, tap into a quality of more confident enthusiasm. Promotional activities, travel, publishing, public events, and negotiation are favored. Messages of hope resonate more strongly.

There's an undercurrent of unrest, however, and frustration with the status quo, seeming more palpable than usual. We're all experiencing the heightened intensity of the revolutionary energy of **Uranus joined with the disruptive nature of the Dwarf planet Eris** -- a cycle that does not diminish until the end of October. While Uranus represents the revolutionary, Eris signifies pure disruption. Many times, the disruption generated by Eris arises from a deep-seated need to break up old structures that are holding back necessary change. There are many ways for these dynamic qualities to surface, but their presence suggests turmoil. This pairing asks us to pay attention to situations that may throw us into chaos. Now, among other things, we are more likely to experience problems with technology (Uranus), with increased trouble arising from activities like hacking. It's almost like a game of "Who's Next?" when it comes to what or whom might be targeted.

If you've been waiting out that retrograde of Mercury, hoping for a good time to get something new started, the **Libra New Moon on September 30th** (8:11 PM EDT) opens the way for fresh beginnings. With special harmony between Venus and Neptune, it can be a nice weekend for a romantic getaway, or at least a special evening with someone you truly enjoy. Also, could be a nice time to shop for your favorite things!

The action-packed planet, **Mars, powers into Capricorn on September 27th, and will continue through Capricorn territory until November 9th**. This can be a highly focused period of accomplishment, and favors building and construction, but also supports tasks that requires commitment and continuity. It's a cycle featuring the positive value of determined effort. Is there something important you hope to accomplish? Harness Mars in Capricorn to stabilize the foundation and infrastructure necessary to support that effort! Watch expectations, though, since tension between Mars and Jupiter from October 2nd - 6th suggests very real frustration when it comes to deadlines, and may expose unanticipated weaknesses.

Communication and topics of interest take on a different hue when **Mercury finally leaves Virgo and shifts into Libra on October 7th**. Essentially, more polite and harmonious interactions and exchanges are favored for the short 17 days of Mercury in Libra. However, all is not smooth-sailing, since there will be pockets of tension and hostility in the flow of communication.



This can be intensified as the **Sun and Pluto** run into a dynamic dispute from **October 5th - 9th**, when power-plays can become distorted, and when leadership runs into a quagmire. Issues of trust abound! Then, from **October 12th-14th, arguments may be especially heated** while Mercury and Mars square-off. On the political front, anticipate potentials for more knee-jerk exchanges. In your own life, consider this period of the first two weeks of October to be a time to **take extra care to avoid hot spots**. The old adage of "counting to 10" before you speak or take action could be quite helpful.

Expect the unexpected as we near the **Aries Full Moon on October 16th** (0:23 AM EDT), since the signature planet of surprise, Uranus, is conjunct the Moon. Whether in the headlines, or simply a surprising turn of events at home, the signature of this Full Moon is change. Change of plans. Change of focus. Change of direction. Change of mind!

Mid-October can be an especially frustrating time to try to finalize a contract or agreement, since **friction between Mercury and Pluto from October 14th-16th indicates the likelihood of something being held back or kept secret**. But the potential of unearthing hidden secrets is definitely there, since focused **Mars traveling in Capricorn moves in to join Pluto October 18th - 20th**. Great aspects for an archeologist or an investigator ... and also a good time to dig in to a problem you may have encountered to determine what's at the core.

As the Sun's cycle in Libra nears its end, expect to see fireworks when it comes to communication while **Mercury travels in opposition to Uranus and Eris from October 19th-21st**. It's the perfect set-up for a Freudian Slip, or for saying absolutely the wrong thing at what seems to be the wrong time. Be alert to your circumstances, since getting caught in the crossfire of somebody else's battle or disagreement can be terribly irritating.

A Reminder: **My office phone line is not a mobile line** -- it is a land line that does not accept text messages. My apologies if this creates a communication problem, since I definitely want to be accessible to you! However, if you need to send a text, please send it via E-mail. Otherwise, do feel free to call my phone: (860) 664-3590, if you wish to speak with me or leave a voicemail. Thanks!

Peace and light,

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EVENTS:

ISAR Symposium: October 13-17, 2016, Hilton Orange County, Costa Mesa, CA.

There are still openings in my post-conference Workshop at the ISAR Symposium on October 17th, **The Nodes Know, the Eclipses Show!** If you want to learn more about the Eclipses and how to work with the Nodes of the Moon, this workshop is focused entirely on these dynamics. To enroll in this class, check out the ISAR website, www.isarastrology.org. You can still register for the conference and workshops, online or at the door.

