

Starlight Message From Gloria Star

Sun Cycle in Gemini, 2023 Activating Ideas

While the tendency to hold positions and ideas in place may have proven positive during the previous Sun Cycle in Taurus, now the time to spread ideas, enhance communication, and strengthen alliances with those who may be consequential in the process of opening our minds. It's time to enjoy the blossoming of life, not only in

nature, but in our relationships and creative expressions. Several cycles happening over the upcoming 30 days bring forward the need to make progress. The question remains, "Are you ready for change?"

When the Sun shifts to shine its rays through Gemini on May 21st (3:09 AM EDT), a gateway to future innovation, perhaps bringing a glimpse into future possibilities, opens. When this cycle begins, the Sun is joined in a positive connection to transformational Pluto, bringing a challenge to step into a new dimension. That begins with the mind – Gemini's favorite hangout. All action begins with thought, and now we have an opportunity to indulge in some highly creative thinking! This is a good period to gather with others and share ideas, to travel and experience new places, to learn, and to experiment. There's another planetary joining significant to the possibilities of this time – the Sun also gets a boost from energetic Mars, transiting in Leo when the Sun shifts territory. These pairings all resonate with the quality of taking action. It's a good time to be in on the action, and not just watching from the spectator's viewpoint.

Aiding us as we take forward-leaning steps, the planet Mercury finally leaves the zodiac degrees it traveled during retrograde – this is often called the end of Mercury's Shadow phase. It occurs on May 31st, marking a time when there's greater support for actions that are about starting something, instead of just feeling like life has been stuck in rewind for the past two months! You may finally be ready to sign that contract, begin a project, change focus, or commit to significant responsibilities.

To aid in this process, the Full Strawberry Moon in Sagittarius arrives on June 3^{rd} (11:42 PM EDT), adding some extra intensity to human interactions. Near the same time, Mercury collides with Uranus in Taurus, bringing unanticipated changes. These tensions are most notable from June $2^{nd} - 7^{th}$, when staying on the lookout for "out-of-the-blue" situations are more likely. This

can also be a time when serendipitous events take place that can have a positive outcome, so try not to assume that unexpected means bad.

On June 11th, Pluto retrogrades back into Capricorn. The short period of Pluto's cycle in Aquarius from March 23rd until now (June 11th) has been more like a movie trailer than a main event. This introductory cycle has brought insights into the future. For many of us, this early cycle may have felt like a time when we experienced a glimpse at some of the potentials of what lies ahead, once Pluto finally moves into Aquarius for the duration of the long cycle in 2025. Now, with Pluto backtracking through Capricorn, we will witness the emergence of some of the issues we may have attempted to bury beneath the soil of indifference and denial. The next two years can be a powerful time to identify the issues that could benefit from a different approach to healing and regeneration.

"How about Saturn?, you might ask. Still cycling through early degrees of Pisces, Saturn enters Retrograde on June 17th, beginning a review of the infrastructures in our Coupled with Pluto's return to Capricorn, we now are face-to-face with societal that arise through the dynamics of power. The abuse and misuse of shared resources can trigger greed and hostility. Yet, these same resources can be keys to transformation, healing and regeneration. First, we can grow by accepting responsibility – personally and collectively. Pointing fingers at the other guy will not lead anywhere ... even if they are at fault. Saturn retrograde always leads to work that must be done to strengthen the foundations in our lives. This retrograde lasts a while. Saturn shifts back into direct motion on November 4th, so we can all anticipate that there will be a number of flaws exposed on many levels of life during these immediate months ahead.

Although the planets Venus and Mars do not reach an exact joining (conjunction) in Leo until early July, these two planets are both moving along in Leo beginning June 5th, getting closer and closer in their fiery dance. Much like period of flirtation, these weeks invite tremendous creative and artistic expression, and can add passionate enhancement to the dance of life. Personal relationships may gain momentum, too. Anticipate a bit more flair from those who take the stage (or the podium!), and seek out opportunities to be entertained or to enjoy your favorite indulgences.

The best-supported time to get new projects off the ground or initiate changes occurs during and after the New Moon in Gemini on June 18th (12:37 AM EDT). The two weeks following the New Moon can bring powerful momentum. Humanitarian actions can have tremendous impact now, since the New Moon is connected to Neptune. Because this connection is one of tension (a square), be aware that there may be a tendency for misleading or illusions that can lead to those in power taking deceptive actions. Thanks to supportive testing against reality -- signified by Saturn gaining strength from Jupiter -- there is a stronger potential for the truth to win out. It is time for Truth to shine, but whether or not our better angels prevail is a matter of choice.

Do get in touch when you're ready for a personal consultation. Happy Summer Solstice on June 21st at 10:58 AM EDT! More about the Solstice in the next issue of Starlight Messages... Thanks for reading, and for your support, feedback and sharing.

Bright Blessings, Gloria

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