

Astrology Happenings

Zodiac in Translation: Horoscopes

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Aries or Aries Rising: March 21– April 19

What have you been daydreaming about these days Aries? You have surely felt the rush of new vision come into your consciousness, even as winter still sits on the ground. In the tradition of the vision quest, you might find yourself in need of solid introspection this month. Just recently I talked with a friend who decided to take herself on retreat. She didn't join a retreat per se; she just made one for herself! With this sense of the contemplative, you may find your way to water, literally—hot springs, ocean, river, and well, even the bathtub. This deep dive will quell a little of your fire for a chance at a truly restorative tonic.



Taurus or Taurus Rising: April 20 – May 20

I asked a photographer this week about her process. She was able to tell me how she achieved pink light on trees at dusk. How does the technical and creative come together to make something beautiful? This month, Taurus, you may be asked to share your vision and process with your community. Have faith in what you see, have faith in your internal canvass. In this act of sharing and with compassion, you may be surprised at who feels fed and nurtured by your unique take on life. Build creativity into every part of your journey. Give a hearty nod to those who support you and those who need your support.



Gemini or Gemini Rising: May 21 – June 21

It isn't often that our Gemini's feel at a loss for words. As the tried and true word junkies of the Zodiac, they usually have their quiver of consonants and vowels at the ready. You may be asked this month Gemini, ironically, to describe the indescribable. Learning to think from both the left and right brain may be just what is needed, especially as it relates to your career or calling in the world. You may have to wait for words to come, feel delayed explanations, ask more questions, give fewer answers, and contemplate a sea of visions that defy verbal understanding. No matter. Feel your consciousness expand, and let the words emerge organically.



Cancer or Cancer Rising: June 22 – July 22

Mary Oliver, in her poem *Wild Geese*, says this in the opening stanza: "You do not have to be good. You do not have to walk on your knees for a hundred miles through the desert repenting. You only have to let the soft animal of your body love what it loves." Dear Cancer, you may be in full contemplation this month about the meaning of forgiveness, perhaps even thinking about who you need to forgive in your life. So often we don't give ourselves enough credit, or find that we are the last person that we are willing to forgive. There can be a great deal of nurturing this month for you as you finally decide to give yourself a break. Feel the relief that comes with loving yourself. Give the soft animal of your body some tender loving care.



Leo or Leo Rising: July 23 – August 22

"Intimacy" says Marianne Williamson, "means that we're safe enough to reveal the truth about ourselves in all its creative chaos. If a space is created in which two people are totally free to reveal their walls, then those walls, in time, will come down." This is the theme of your month Leo, as you find yourself reflecting upon your most intimate connections. Growth will be on your mind, and a chance to feel truly understood. Revealing a part of yourself to someone you trust may help you reconnect to the great sea of humanity, who have, almost to the last one, risked vulnerability for a chance at connection.



Virgo or Virgo Rising: August 23 – September 22

Have patience this month with those you love Virgo, including partners and friends. With a Mercury Retrograde afoot, you'll all be tempted to lay old wounds at the feet of those you love most. You may find yourself taking on the role of victim even if this isn't generally a part of your nature. Give you and your intimates the benefit of the



doubt so that communication moves more smoothly. Be ready to give and receive forgiveness. Take a day with friend or lover for the express purpose of reconnecting, restoring, remembering and returning to the core of your shared connection. Feel the relationship sing in resonance once again.

Libra or Libra Rising: September 23 – October 22

Martha Graham, dancer extraordinaire said "nothing is more revealing than movement". Makes me think of my little sis, who ends every yoga practice with the words, "movement is medicine." With a whole lot of Pisces in your 6th house of health and wellness Libra, it seems clear that your work this month is to find the movement that fits you well. Is it dance, yoga, cycling, tai chi? You may crave a more restorative or contemplative type of physical exercise, paying specific attention to the anaerobic rather than the aerobic. Think about flow. Clear away the unnecessary. Remove obstructions. Let yourself move downstream with grace and ease.



Scorpio or Scorpio Rising: October 23 – November 21

Clarissa Pinkola Estes says about creativity: "Be wild; that is how to clear the river. The river does not flow in polluted, we manage that. The river does not dry up, we block it. If we want to allow it its freedom, we have to allow our ideational lives to be let loose, to stream, letting anything come, initially censoring nothing. That is creative life." Dear Scorpio, your directive this month is to find a way to open new creative pathways. Often we need time alone to envision what we most want to birth into the world. Guard your quiet time, circumvent the rational brain with projects that surprise and delight you. Clear the proverbial water of pollutants and, well if it helps, take yourself out and howl at the moon.



Sagittarius or Sagittarius Rising: November 22 – December 21

Dear Sagittarius, you may find yourself wanting to be home more this month. You may want to consider home base as the place you find retreat, or build sanctuary. Build an altar, journal, meditate, and drink tea. Do you have a specific place in your home to contemplate? There are some big things to consider as you transform your space. Take away the electronics. Clear clutter. Allow natural light and bring in nature. Consider this space the antithesis of your busy life. Perhaps get up a little earlier this month to breath, journal and write in this space. Allow real moments of rest.



Capricorn or Capricorn Rising: December 22 - January 19

Dear Capricorn, a media fast might do you good this month as you swirl in the world of ideas and fast flowing information. I know, it doesn't exactly sound fun, but taking a deliberate look at the ebb and flow of, especially visual stimulus in your life, might be interesting. Where can you reduce data clutter? What are your daily habits with your electronics? What projects want to emerge as you peel yourself away from Hulu and Netflix? Re-center. Re-ground. Look for real and authentic ways to connect and communicate with the world. Nurture internal vision.



Aquarius or Aquarius Rising: January 20 – February 18

At the base of my stairwell this morning was a package from a friend who filled the box with luscious and meaningful gifts. My immediate reaction to this gesture was what I would do for her in return. Elizabeth Gilbert says that "we must all give up trying to pay back the people in this world who sustain our lives. In the end, maybe it's wiser to surrender before the miraculous scope of human generosity and to just keep saying thank you, forever and sincerely, for as long as we have voices." Dear Aquarius, you have resources at your fingertips, gifts of compassion and kindness. You will be asked to use these gifts with care and intention this month. Make gratitude your mantra.



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Pisces or Pisces Rising: February 19 – March 20

"Well I go to the river to sooth my mind, ponder over the crazy days of my life, just sit and watch the river flow, ease my mind and soul." These lyrics by Natalie Merchant in her song *Where I Go* have me thinking of you Pisces. You will need rest and relaxation this month, restorative practices and hopefully some good old-fashioned time with nature. Reconnect with a favorite tree, sit at the edge of water, watch the birds from your porch, and walk into the forest. This is necessary and nutritious for you. Rather than get down on your wonderful sensitivity, embrace it, find what it wants to tell you, where it advances your soul.



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