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WHAT IS IT?

Practical Spiritual Astrology is grounded in the understanding that our aim as consciously evolving humans is not only to remember and reclaim our essential divine nature, but also to manifest that spiritual essence more dynamically and more abundantly in the material world. The sacred knowledge of the heavenly intelligences and their cosmic cycles can guide us infallibly into spontaneous right action and joyful, fulfilled expression of our true selves.

Practical Spiritual Astrology thus brings us daily opportunities for being completely spiritually centered in a consistently resourceful manner that brings out the best qualities in our circumstances, that is completely congruent with our true creative nature, and that is genuinely helpful to others in a multitude of pragmatic, life-affirming ways.

“What we are looking for is what is looking.”

- St. Francis of Assisi

THE FOCUS FOR OCTOBER

At the beginning of October, we have an opportunity to do some serious thinking about the real impact of our cultural conventions and societal expectations. Whether we are relating to others in business, in formal organizations, or in casual social contact, experiences that may be disturbing at first can help us glimpse of more enlightened reality, move past prejudices and limited thinking, and embrace a fuller understanding of the common values and aspirations that we all share.

When we open ourselves innocently to the power of love, we can instantly see the true humanity in everyone we meet. We can also summon the powers of imagination to focus our energies more precisely as we get surprising new chances to face up to the consequences of past mistakes and indiscretions. With Mercury's retrograde station just after the New Moon, we can begin at last to make amends, welcoming those whom we once thought of as adversaries with a warm embrace of camaraderie.

Whether we call it Divine guidance, intuition, serendipity, or the presence of celestial beings, there are inevitably times in which we become acutely aware of unseen forces guiding and protecting us. If we trust that presence as an essentially loving and supporting influence, we can begin to experience actively what it means to participate in life as enlightened beings, even if our first faltering steps in that direction seem ludicrous or inept. Simply by being willing to act as if we know what we are doing in the midst of spiritual crisis, we can transcend our self-imposed limitations and get a real glimpse of the radiance that higher consciousness brings.

Mercury stays in retrograde motion until November 1, bringing us plenty of chances to experience misunderstanding, ineffective communication, and bungled operations on the material plane. Just prior to the Full Moon, however, we can effectively direct our attention inward and gain a richer insight into who we really are and what we are here to do. Every mishap or mistake is not only an occasion on which we can confront the karmic consequences of our limited thinking, but also a chance to discover the true strength that comes when we open ourselves to Divine inspiration.

After the Full Moon it will be more apparent to us that we live in the midst of true abundance, in a state of grace that perpetually opens up the possibility of harmony and cooperation. By focusing and fine-tuning our energies now, we can readily discover rich new opportunities for material and spiritual wealth. By opening ourselves to the influx of higher consciousness, we can gain new levels of personal assurance that our unselfish dedication to higher values will never be in vain.

THE ART OF SPIRITUAL PRESENCE

"Never let yesterday
use up too much of
today."

--Will Rogers

ESOTERIC MANTRAS FOR OCTOBER

LIBRA

"I choose the way which
leads between the two
great lines of force."

SCORPIO

"Warrior I am and from
the battle I emerge
triumphant."

October Observances

World Vegetation Day – 10/1
Canada Thanksgiving – 10/8
Columbus Day – 10/12
World Poetry Day – 10/15
United Nations Day – 10/24
Int'l Red Cross Day – 10/26
Halloween – 10/31

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and suggestions. We look
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Cosmic Opportunities

Venus sextile Apollon – October 1, 9:39 a.m. EDT
Mercury trine Kronos – October 2, 1:37 a.m. EDT
Chiron trine Zeus – October 2, 3:23 a.m. EDT
Venus trine Pluto – October 3, 9:14 a.m. EDT
Sun trine Chiron – October 4, 1:04 a.m. EDT
Sun conjunct Zeus – October 4, 2:48 a.m. EDT
Kronos retrograde station – October 4, 11:58 a.m. EDT
Venus sextile Hades – October 4, 8:14 p.m. EDT
Sun sextile Cupido – October 6, 3:47 a.m. EDT
Mercury conjunct Poseidon – October 6, 10:52 a.m. EDT
Venus enters Virgo – October 8, 2:49 a.m. EDT
Saturn sextile Kronos – October 8, 6:04 p.m. EDT
Mars conjunct Kronos – October 8, 10:13 p.m. EDT
Mars sextile Saturn – October 8, 11:47 p.m. EDT
Sun sextile Jupiter – October 9, 12:04 a.m. EDT
Jupiter square Uranus – October 9, 2:22 p.m. EDT
New Moon – October 11, 1:01 a.m. EDT
Apollon square Vulcanus – October 11, 1:49 p.m. EDT
Mercury retrograde station – October 12, 12:01 a.m. EDT
Sun trine Neptune – October 12, 9:39 p.m. EDT
Venus sextile Kronos – October 13, 8:51 a.m. EDT
Venus conjunct Saturn – October 14, 12:25 a.m. EDT
Venus sextile Mars – October 16, 1:35 p.m. EDT
Mercury conjunct Poseidon – October 16, 6:44 p.m. EDT
Venus sextile Poseidon – October 17, 2:21 a.m. EDT
Mercury trine Mars – October 17, 4:16 a.m. EDT
Mars trine Poseidon – October 18, 1:31 a.m. EDT
Sun square Vulcanus – October 18, 9:35 p.m. EDT
Sun conjunct Apollon – October 18, 11:59 p.m. EDT
Chiron direct station – October 19, 4:10 p.m. EDT
Sun sextile Pluto – October 20, 9:39 a.m. EDT
Mercury trine Kronos – October 20, 11:10 a.m. EDT
Sun trine Hades – October 21, 1:42 a.m. EDT
Venus square Cupido – October 22, 11:33 p.m. EDT
Sun enters Scorpio – October 23, 3:15 p.m. EDT
Sun conjunct Mercury – October 23, 7:56 p.m. EDT
Mercury retrograde enters Libra – October 23, 11:39 p.m. EDT
Vulcanus retrograde station – October 25, 12:05 a.m. EDT
Venus opposition Uranus – October 25, 5:06 a.m. EDT
Full Moon – October 26, 12:51 a.m. EDT
Mercury trine Hades – October 26, 3:35 a.m. EDT
Sun trine Kronos – October 27, 9:13 p.m. EDT
Mercury conjunct Apollon – October 28, 12:30 EDT
Mercury square Vulcanus – October 28, 6:56 a.m. EDT
Venus square Jupiter – October 29, 5:07 a.m. EDT
Sun sextile Saturn – October 29, 11:41 p.m. EDT
Jupiter sextile Neptune – October 29, 11:57 p.m. EDT
Sun conjunct Poseidon – October 31, 9:25 a.m. EDT
Neptune direct station – October 31, 4:07 p.m. EDT

Living Stress-Free for Spiritual Growth

Tim Bost's guide to stress-free living, *Plan 9 for Inner Space*, has more than 100 pages of tips and resources to help reduce stress and maintain a practical spiritual focus. You'll find details at <http://www.timbost.com/publications/books.html>.

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