



Starlight Message From Gloria Star

The Sun's Cycle in Aquarius 2020 *Eyes to the Future, Feet on the Ground*

I want to let you know that I am in the process of setting up an entirely new computer system, and also recreating my client database. I am still working with clients and offering full professional services, although my schedule has been heavily booked. Please anticipate that there may be a longer wait time to get into my schedule, so do allow extra leeway when you contact me for an appointment. That said ... here we go!

Aquarius invites objective thought. Air is the network of the mind, carrying ideas, connecting concepts, allowing diversity to flourish, bringing like-minded people together, and opening the way for a variety of possibilities. When the **Sun shifts to shine its light through the lens of Aquarius on January 20th** (9:55 AM EST), shared participation intensifies the potentials for breakthrough and revolutionary change. Yet there's also a focused and fixed quality of energy emanating from Aquarius. It's the "Fixed Air" sign at work, and the potential of running into some stubborn thinking is quite strong. Humanitarian and altruistic actions are favored, and friendships can flourish more readily.

The **New Moon in Aquarius on January 24th** (4:42 PM EST), ushers in the **Chinese New Year**. We're celebrating the year of the Rat, marking a time when experience and reputation are more likely to be rewarded. It is a year of new beginnings, a theme also echoed by several planetary cycles in Western astrology. When the Chinese New Year dawns, the planetary themes show heightened potentials for compassionate support, and signify an easier flow of unconditional love.

Yet there are disagreeable qualities at work, with Venus and Mars traveling in high tension to one another from **January 25th - 29th**, when the fog of Neptune can confuse or mislead. It's not the time to buy into fanciful schemes, since the fantasy part may be more nefarious than it seems. Relationships are tested, and the question of trust

comes into focus. Or at least the feeling of mistrust arises, clouding the issues and opening the way for unease. Determining what is real or what I true may seem to be daunting. Trust in what is factual can prove to be highly beneficial, despite the allure of distorted versions of reality.

What might seem like a sudden change of direction emerges **February 1st – 6th, when clarifying expectations can work like magic**. These are days when fresh ideas are more welcome and the virtues of research and documentation can be quite helpful. Saturn and Pluto begin to separate from their union – a shift that may be felt as slowly releasing intensity. The unease is there, but it's easier to look up and see the potential for healthy change. It is important to release attachment to what is outworn or no longer needed. While these planetary helpers might not crack the hard-headed or intractable, there's some room for change to manifest. **The period from February 1st – 9th can feel like the dawning of possibility**. Carefully consider how you might like to utilize this emerging pathway. Where are you headed as the year moves forward?

Venus shifts into Aries on February 7th, opening more room for spontaneous actions to take shape – and it's often more fun to pretend that the results of those actions do not count. We know that results matter, but live in a time when accountability seems lost by the wayside. Awareness that there may actually be a better or more productive path emerges along with the deliberate work of identifying what is in need of healing and regeneration.

One helpful feature developing: starting **February 6th, Jupiter, the energy of abundance, truth and generosity, is moving along toward a powerful connection with Neptune** – the energy of compassion, imagination and transcendence. This cycle will peak February 20th, and continues to bring its positive effects through the early days of March.

The arrival of the **Leo Full Moon on February 9th** marks a period to establish balance between the personal and the Collective. Whether we like it or not, we are all swimming in the same Collective Consciousness. As you know, our individual opportunities and challenges, and the way we respond to them, can change the way the world works. It's gradual. But it's happening. Unfortunately, in many ways we humans seem rather slow on the uptake when it comes to taking responsibility for what we've created. This is a time to explore what that might actually mean. It's a very real part of the Jupiter–Neptune cycle noted above. On a personal note, it can be a time for your spirituality to grown stronger, when incorporating your inner awareness with your daily life is revitalizing and inspirational.

Mercury Retrogrades starting February 16th (7:54 PM EST). Continuing **until March 9th**, this retrograde may seem to be especially confusing. Mercury begins its retrograde in the sign Pisces, and will cycle backward into Aquarius before the retrograde ends. Although we know that the apparent backward motion of the planet during retrograde is an optical illusion, measuring the relative positions of the cycle is accomplished by applying this backward motion. It's all about taking another look at something or someone, making room for altering viewpoints or making adjustments. Sometimes, these retrograde cycles actually do offer up an opportunity to reconsider an agreement, make revisions, or seek an alternative. As you may know, it's not the best time to try to solidify an agreement, especially if your intuition is screaming that something is wrong. But it can be a great time to negotiate, make improvements, and gain a different perspective. Starting a new project can also be problematic, and it's better to wait until after March 9th to sign any long-term contracts. For this retrograde, the intuitive element can be both clarifying and confusing while Mercury is in Pisces. Perhaps the message is, "Sleep on it" or to take an alternate path as a way to consider other options.

I'll be back with another *Starlight Message* for the Sun in Pisces cycle later in February. Thank you for your support and understanding while I'm accomplishing the "reconstruction" of my infrastructure. It's coming along nicely, but there's a whole lot to do. Just a reminder: if you've not been receiving your *Starlight Message* email, please do contact me to join the mailing list.

Peace, light and love,
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