

View of the Milky Way from California.

The Awakening for Sagittarius How to Touch the Earth

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AGITTARIUS IS NOT ONLY the most cosmic of the signs; it's the one where the properties of its natives are matched by actual physical realities that are located there. Your little band of space contains two of the most prodigious things known to astronomy: the core of our own galaxy, and the gravitational vortex that holds the nearest 100,000 galaxies in place, called the Great Attractor.

Sadly, there is no bull in Taurus, nor twins in Gemini. These are figments of the ancient imagination, suggestive though they may be. Personally, I have a hard time seeing these stellar dot patterns, but I'm willing to go along with the mythology because it's old and interesting and full of little gems; plus the signs and the constellations work pretty well. Taurus people can be bullheaded and I've hardly met a Gemini for whom the "twin" thing was not real.

Sagittarius is a different creature. There are actual measurable cosmic objects right there, which your Sun or rising sign is directly involved with. They describe the "visitor from far away" theme of your sign and of your life.

Long before these objects were known, Sagittarius had as its themes longdistance travel, all matters spiritual and religious, the higher courts, as well as libraries and advanced education. All large, even grandiose stuff; we never meet the pope or take a case to the Supreme Court.

The ruling planet of Sagittarius is Jupiter, the big boss of the solar system — it is itself called the Jovian System and has 95 moons, the largest of which is bigger than Mercury. Jupiter is so massive that it makes the Sun wobble as it orbits.

While I was pulling together this reading, Melanie Reinhart answered an email I sent about Alice A. Bailey's *Esoteric Astrology* and cheerfully reminded me that in that system, the Earth is the "esoteric ruling planet" of Sagittarius.

So for all that size and scale and deep-space intrigue, the esoteric teachers associate Sagittarius with our home world, the Earth.

That's a good thing because the astrology that is rapidly approaching is going to require grounding. There are major moves being made by all of the classical planets. Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune all change signs within a few weeks of one another. Venus and Mars both have retrogrades that span two signs. Mercury, your friend and nemesis, is doing its usual back and forth dance around the zodiac. This is a lot of movement in a very short time.

And then we are finally done with Pluto's transition into Aquarius, a supremely important sign for you because it describes and governs your state of mind.

And Then There is Chiron

Some descriptions of Sagittarius associate it with "the hunter." Others associate it with "the centaur," the first of whom was Chiron. He was, or is, the fusion of man and horse. A demigod, son of Kronos and stepson of

Apollo, we know from mythology that he was among the best friends to humanity, teaching healing and medicine and many other arts.

One thing about Chiron is that he has four feet planted on the ground. His animal nature makes him much more adept to life on the planet than this weird thing humans do, which is walk around all wobbly on two feet, tripping over their own shoes.

When a strange little planet was discovered in 1977, the astronomer who spotted it named it Chiron because it was a hybrid of planet, asteroid and comet. Charlie Kowal also gave Chiron its first key word, when he said: "This thing is a maverick."

As an astrological force, he drives both crisis and healing. Early on, Chiron was associated with Virgo and Sagittarius. Think of Virgo as the healing aspect of Chiron, and Sagittarius as the questing aspect. You tend to emphasize the quest, and de-emphasize healing — but eventually, the need to be whole gets your attention.

This is something to keep in the background. Chiron in Aries factored prominently in your 2024 astrology and is going to get a promotion for your 2025-26 astrology. Let's work up to that: there are many factors involved, and it will be good to have some background information before we go there.

Pluto From Sagittarius Through Capricorn

Through the 1990s and up until 2007, Pluto in Sagittarius was the big news. Much of that was in the prior century and the prior millennium. Suddenly with the internet we seemed to live in one world.

At first there was a more optimistic time than we have lived through recently, though that started to change radically with the Sept. 11, 2001 incident — which was at a time of profound change for you. Toward the end of Pluto in your sign, this odd little planetary system at the edge of the solar system made its way across the Galactic Core, and once again, all things seemed possible.

But Pluto's arrival in Capricorn in 2008 came with a series of massive shocks to all of society. Finally, Pluto has now completed its 18-month transition from Capricorn to Aquarius. While I've been writing about this for years, we still have a news item. Pluto will be in Aquarius until it begins to transition into Pisces in 2043. For all its intergalactic cosmic wonderment, Sagittarius is surprisingly rooted in earthy values. Setting aside its esoteric rulership by the Earth, we find this story told in having highly structured Capricorn as your 2nd place values, self-esteem (how you feel about yourself), your personal resources, the tools of your trade and your movable possessions.

In psychological astrology, Capricorn here is a little rough — prone to guilt, and often caught in your family's concept of who you are. It's like you have an apartment in your house where Ebenezer Scrooge runs your life.

From a business standpoint it's much better, if you can muster up a little generosity for yourself. Money flows toward structure, and Capricorn is nothing if not made of solid stuff with plenty of definition. The benefit and the hangup is that it can be old-fashioned and slow to adapt to new conditions. This is a benefit because at any time there are certain values that facilitate stability. You just have to know when to let them go.

Yet the most important potential benefit of Pluto in Capricorn for you was learning self-sufficiency. Now, that's a euphemism as nobody is really selfsufficient. However, what I mean is "able to pay your own rent" and "not needing constant encouragement in order to survive psychologically."

Since 2008, Pluto has pushed, bashed, penetrated, plundered, burrowed, drilled and detonated its way through Capricorn. It's really been something special, and remember, all of this time it's been moving through your 2nd place of values, self-esteem, self-respect, and your sense of your own talents and abilities — all found in Capricorn. As a visitor from afar, Capricorn is like your "make sense of life on Earth" filter.

There were two total banking meltdowns (2008 and an unpublicized one in 2019, claimed to be a pandemic); there was a mass uprising against the corporate system (2011); there was the worst nuclear meltdown in history (Fukushima); the Russo-Ukrainian war (2014-present) the Charlie Hebdo attack (2015); *Obergefell v Hodges*, radically changing the definition of marriage; the first election of Donald Trump (2016); random assaults on the reputations and careers of men (2017-2019, or to present depending on how you look at it); the world getting shut down allegedly because of a virus that no country anywhere ever found a sample of (2019-2020); a global "vaccine" campaign that was really a genetic modification shot known as mRNA technology (2021-2022); the Israel-Palestine war (2023-present); mass campus protest arrests related to that war (2024); the second election

of Trump (2024); and a seemingly nonstop series of mass shooting events and police killings, to name but a few items on a very long list.

It's been a restless decade and a half, to put it mildly. How does anyone get any rest? How do you decide what is important under these conditions? All of these events are in some way signified by radical changes to the core structures of society and its values, signified by Pluto in Capricorn. This has also come with the takeover of the world by digital technology (the iPhone comes out in the last full year of Pluto in Sagittarius, but its proliferation is a creature of Pluto in Capricorn); the rise of generative artificial intelligence; the concurrent rise of alleged transsexuality; and countless other changes that go to the root of what it means to be human.

So if you live in the world, you have lived in a radically changing place — changing in ways so fundamental to human psychic structure. Many have found a kind of comfort zone in the midst of all this churning upheaval, and for a lot of them, that means contentment of a kind in a world of constant emergence of terrifying events.

Okay, so where do you stand? What is the nature of your relationship to your own priorities as it has evolved over these 16 years? Is there any safe ground to put your roots in?

And now let's imagine that the changing, shifting ground is a factor of psyche and not of cosmos: that the changes are all within the human experience. You probably want to go back to your home galaxy and are wondering what exactly you are doing here.

Pluto in Aquarius is Now Underway

Aquarius is your 3rd place, representing your mental processes, your communication style, your general state of mind, your shopping style, and what you think of as local. This is a placement indicating high intelligence, though it can also outsmart itself. Wherever Aquarius is prominent, the caution is to know when you don't know.

This is my personal discovery as an astrologer, and I've hardly noticed something more generally true. Aquarius is never quite as smart as it thinks and must therefore work and work hard to get the facts, the fact pattern, and the analysis right. You will see this in the naiveties of people with Aquarius Mercury (similar to the 3rd house) and Aquarius Venus (which deeply needs the emotional element to constitute true intelligence). Aquarius 3rd is good for thinking you've got it all figured out. However, nobody does, and that very idea shuts off one's curiosity and the ability to take in new observations and to see new patterns. True intelligence, like artistic ability, is all about pattern recognition.

Pluto in Aquarius will change the way you think by shaking up all those Aquarian crystallized channels of thought that tend to keep you thinking the same thing over and over. Also, Aquarius is especially susceptible to the influence of digital technology. It loves to think that gadgets will do all the work, and to be really smart, you have to have the latest one. You might not fall prey to that marketing scheme, but watch for it in subtle ways, for example, like "believing in science."

To actually be intelligent, you have to like being proven wrong on a regular basis. You cannot be attached to what you think, what you know, or what you think you know. Get used to this. Working with outdated information and — more troublesome — outdated viewpoints, will only set you back and distort your perception.

Pluto's presence may lead you to believe you know more than you do, when what you want is to allow it to drive your curiosity and your desire to find out. But remember, this means working in patterns and not just demolishing the old ones.

There is an important social element to the 3rd place, which is who you relate to locally — meaning your neighbors — and all social interaction that comes through contact with the business community.

Pluto in Capricorn cracked open the world, it raised many questions for you, and it should have driven a deep connection to yourself. Pluto in Aquarius is likely to break many of society's systems — social systems that are now entirely based on the internet.

The Mental Challenge of Artificial 'Intelligence'

In order for Pluto in Aquarius not to break your mind or overwhelm you, you must be flexible in your thinking — and this is not so easy for you. Your most likely first resort will be a kind of OCD mentality, when what is called for is gentle curiosity and a circumspect approach. You must use your mind to think and not let your mind think you.

The challenge of Pluto in Aquarius (for all of us) will be the rise of artificial intelligence, which will accelerate radically over the next seven years (see

the last section of The AWA eBook that comes with your reading). AI as a tool is one thing. AI as the technology that changes people is another thing, or maybe they are exactly the same. Aquarius, the house of your thought process and state of mind, has a natural tendency to both gadgetry and algorithmic thinking.

And as I suggested, anything with Aquarius related to personal thought process must cultivate the yoga of knowing when you don't know. This is not about "feeling stupid," which is standard fare. Knowing when you don't know is being so self-aware that you spot a gap in your knowledge or understanding. You see the fact pattern so well, you can spot what is missing.

One problem of AI is that it's going to make this very difficult. If we thought discovering the top sponsored link in a Google search turned everyone into a genius, now every schmuck having know-it-all AI in their pocket is going to convince people they are Einstein's guardian angel...the next Bezos...the next Thomas Aquinas.

It will make people into even lazier thinkers than they are today, so unquestioning as to accept whatever "information" is spiked into the neatlywritten, friendly, convincing advice they get from some cool little answerman app. And with Aquarius on your 3rd, driven by Pluto, you could slip right into this. Therefore, I suggest you accept nothing as true on its face and make sure that at some point early in any discussion, you take over and at least run a few basic verification procedures, and take possession of your own thoughts. The challenge will be to notice your mental ruts and crystalized patterns — and then challenge them.

You could say Pluto will ensure that you do this. But it may also ensure that you think more like you do today, and emphasize your preferred observations and existing biases. There is a kind of monomania suggested by Pluto in Aquarius, and what you want is a circumspect, curious approach to everything. I don't mean "going down rabbit holes," which is the nemesis of a true investigation.

The Aquarius mind loves theories, and being an honest thinker means testing your theories, tearing them down, building them back up, listening to competing theories, and then discovering something you think is true enough. And then, notably, not being attached to it. You must have the guts to challenge your own findings, your ideology and your beliefs.

More than anything, **know when you are rationalizing**.

In the next section, devoted to the end of Neptune's trip through Pisces, we will get an idea of what all this intense ideation might be about: a challenging emotional situation.

Your Home and Emotions: The End of Neptune in Pisces

You have Pisces as your 4th place of home and security, which gives you an emotional root into the human realm. But this can be overwhelming. And the way a chart feature like this often works is, if you're soaked in watery emotions, you will seek out dry land.

That dry land could be the earthy Capricorn nature of your values, or the airy Aquarian nature of your mind. Aquarius is most likely your first point of retreat: to use reason rather than to feel, because feelings often make no sense. The 4th place is the basement of the chart; with Pisces there, the water table is already pretty high. You have one of those homes that needs a dependable sump pump to keep the foundation dry.

And one transit that has added a lot of water and plenty of intrigue to the not-making-sense element has been Neptune in Pisces. This began in 2011 and will trail off between early 2025 and early 2026. Neptune and Pisces, when combined, multiply their effects, one of which is likely to be a sensation of emotional isolation. This could be true no matter who is around you; Neptune often creates the illusion of being alone, which can translate into reality.

The 4th, as the place of security, wants to be warm and dry. Pisces makes it cool and wet. If you prefer tropical environments, this is a clue as to why: at least there is some warmth and sunshine. If that's true, you might want to get there as often as possible so you are reminded that such exists. Meantime, I suggest you devise ways to air out those deep and interior places in you as the watery influence of Neptune starts to move on.

It's taken Neptune a tremendously long time to clear Pisces — almost as long as a Pluto transit. Neptune takes a while to be aware of; it acts invisibly (also a property of Pluto, but Neptune is much more stealth). One effect of this can be insecurity that you may not want to put into words, or that you aren't really able to. It's not the kind of thing that the mind likes to acknowledge.

There have been several distinct phases to Neptune in Pisces. One of them involved Chiron moving through Pisces at the same time; that began a little

ahead of Neptune, in April 2010. Chiron moves faster than Neptune for all of its orbit, and so it came and went from Pisces in just under nine years (ending finally in early 2019). That may have served as a helpful influence in that Pisces grants focus and tends to offer an agenda of healing.

Yet Chiron can bring a crisis of its own, though it's almost always a productive struggle that serves to raise awareness, describe actual situations that can be addressed, and provide tangible solution sets. However, Neptune can be so overwhelming that you may have forgotten about that when Chiron departed from Pisces five years ago.

Triple Conjunction of Jupiter, Chiron and Neptune

Before I get into Saturn in Pisces, I have a suggestion: I know it was a lifetime ago, but there was a rare alignment of Chiron, Jupiter and Neptune in December 2009. This is one of those events where you're looking at something that can only happen once on a scale of many centuries, because three very different cycles are involved. It was a special moment. What were you experiencing in your life at that time? Do you have any way to review documentation by way of your work environment, your creative products (especially writing), your circle of friends, and other factors that could clue you in?

My reading in hindsight is that late 2009 was a moment of potential, and for you, potentially one of the most mind-expanding moments of your life. My question involved your point of view at the time: how did you feel about yourself? Could you sense the possibilities?

This would be a good time to return to your assessment at that moment and reevaluate. How much emerged into your lived experience? Did you honor your ideals, and do you honor them now? Yes we are all older, even significantly older. Yet one's time should be more precious the older one gets. And your discoveries in late 2009 can be a hint as to the value you may offer.

Adding Saturn to the Picture

After a few years of Saturn and Pluto-based mayhem in society that are the subject of another article, Saturn quietly entered Pisces in 2023. My reading then as now is that this was the first helpful transit related to Pisces since Chiron departed years earlier. Saturn can provide a container for the boundless quality of Neptune.

Slowly, Saturn has cleaned up the flood waters. While it can come with its own kind of insecurity, especially in Pisces and the 4th, Saturn also brings authority. And it brings a touch of mind over feelings that can be helpful when you need just a little logic — that dry ground effect. You may not have many certainties, but you do have a couple of things you can depend on.

My read is that early 2023 through early 2025 is a distinctive time for you, and that you may have figured out how deeply you need to commit to your emotional grounding. You need ballast: some weight to keep the ship upright, a fitting image for Saturn down below.

Neptune is unlikely to get you to confront your insecurities. Saturn most assuredly will. Neptune will defy boundaries; Saturn will assist you in forming them. But like anything with Saturn, you will have to work, and with anything related to Neptune, you have to come out of denial.

One challenge of all this 4th house activity has been domestic partnerships. They have not been easy; they have taken work; you are fortunate if you are still with a live-in partner from any time of the past 14 or so years and are still happy. If the relationship has worked out, it's been the result of considerable personal growth effort on the part of both partners. It's likely that keeping a handle on alcohol consumption provided a benefit.

However, ultimately, your relationships are regulated by your level of confidence or insecurity. This is the single most important factor you can monitor and work with consciously. Your insecurities are rarely caused by others; they are the result of deep conditioning, and much of that comes from way back among your ancestors.

You will need to be vigilant about this, and continually ask yourself: Am I thinking this, or feeling this, or are people who came way before me infiltrating my thoughts and feelings (and relationships)?

Saturn and Neptune Move On To Aries

If it's heat and fire you need, then it's heat and fire you will get. Between spring 2025 and spring 2026, Saturn and Neptune make their way out of Pisces and into Aries. This is momentous for every reason, including the fact that there has not been a Saturn-Neptune conjunction in the first degrees of Aries for as far back as research astrology software goes — back to 1 B.C.

Aries is your 5th place and is in many ways your most tangible grounding on Earth. It would seem that the greater part of the quest for survival and happiness, when born in a body on our planet, involves the process of being and belonging. I do not know much about the secret lives of rocks. I know my beloved cactus plants feel like visitors from far away and depend on me for help "being themselves" living in an urban apartment.

As a human, you are turned loose in what is largely a hostile environment, created by both environmental conditions and other humans. You must fend for yourself, and, at the same time, those who actually awaken do so to a spiritual reality that infuses life with a quest for purpose, or to express one's known purpose. This is what it really means to exist in the human environment. If you're a piece of flint, someone needs to find you and have the thought to fashion you into an arrowhead. If you're a person, and you want to have the experience of both being and belonging, you have to do this for yourself.

In the solar chart and in many natal charts, the location of Aries is the first place to look for the scene of self-actualization. It's the location of one's well of motivation, and the drive for purpose. To thread the grommet of a meaningful life, tethered to the experience and exploration of life on our planet, is to live with purpose. By that, I mean purpose that emerges from within.

This is of course the great challenge as well; much of the purpose you see demonstrated has the underlying drive of profit, inflating one's ego, conquering others and so on.

But let's briefly take a change of tack, and first consider the presence of Chiron in Aries (2018-2027), and the Chiron-Eris conjunctions of 2025-2026, and then come back to Saturn-Neptune. Chiron will help us understand what that is really about — and decode the true nature of the 5th house and Aries for you at this time. Chiron is likely to raise some questions for which Saturn and Neptune provide the answers.

Guiding Crisis, Guiding Awareness: Chiron in Aries

Chiron in the style of Sagittarius is associated with the quest. Chiron in the style of Virgo is associated with healing and the healing crisis. Those are the two first go-tos with Chiron; the two main facets of expression. There is a potential third, related to Taurus — Chiron's sign of discovery — which is about grounding in one's physical body.

Chiron stands for the holistic principle: what some describe as healing through making whole. This includes seeing the integral relationship between the whole and the parts in yourself and in any situation. Wholeness has a lot to do with context: we are nothing without the environments that we shape and that shape us.

Said another way, that translates to *really being here*. And there is one other that I have seen is prominent: Chiron's association with Pisces, which addresses the existential crisis of being a human stranded on Earth in this vast cosmos. They are all related.

If you fully engage any one of these, you might quickly get to a point of either crisis or critical mass. The etymology of crisis, for our purposes, describes a "vitally important or decisive state of things, a point at which change must come, for better or worse." The Greek word *krisis* comes from the verb *krinō*, which means "distinguish, choose, decide"— and more deeply, "to sieve," thus "discriminate, distinguish."

This is only done through direct experience, and that happens to be a theme of the 5th place. To understand Chiron transiting the 5th, consider that the classical definitions of that house all involve taking a risk of some kind. It's the house of gambling and games, as well as daring and risky sports, whether recreational or competitive.

It's also the house of creating art, and creating children, and the kind of play that children like. Those ideas are all associated.

Also included in the delineation of the 5th is sex, which ticks all the boxes, from risk to play to creativity to creating children. Our society can't talk openly about sex right now; all we can talk about is abuse and trauma and not pleasure, fun and play.

Now, consider that your 5th house is aligned with Aries, the sign of selfactualization: the art of becoming yourself. All the 5th house topics are the things to emphasize on this quest. Think of the 5th as your personal art studio. It's where you create — and create yourself.

Chiron concentrates awareness and craves experience. While it's associated with mentorship — one-on-one teaching — in the 5th place this is obviated by the quest for direct experience. This is especially critical right now because much of so-called existence is dominated by digital technology, which is not really about experience. Aries is the primary crime scene of the digital heist of humanity.

Digital contact might lead to experience, but for the most part it leads to Uber Eats while watching Netflix, or three hours down in rabbit holes where you will never find a single rabbit. Digital tends to lead to doom scrolling rather than reading. It is about *overstimulation without risk*.

All of this is what Chiron describes you in direct rebellion against, which is also about healing from the digital crisis and its impact on you. This means real travel to real places; real art made from actual substances; real encounters with people, in body; actual sexual contact, rather than the usual digital (whether from apps or those boring little movies with bad acting, no script and terrible lighting).

The 2025-26 Conjunctions to Eris

Eris was a major planetary discovery, and it served to disrupt the order of the solar system; it was the proximate cause of the demotion of Pluto in the summer 2006. (Pluto's troubles started with another, earlier discovery in 1992, but that's for another time.)

While one could speculate endlessly about Eris, in my earliest work on the planet, I called a theme that emerged over the next two decades: the disembodying and chaos-making effects of the digital environment. There's a long story here, which I've covered elsewhere including The AWA, and it goes back to the dawn of radio.

But now, under full digital conditions, we have some help not just understanding the problem but also how to conceive of solutions. And some of those solutions are coming with the conjunction of Chiron and Eris that spans from approximately now through the spring of 2026.

This conjunction will be The Great Reveal of what we've gotten ourselves into with this whole digital trip, where rice cookers have IP addresses and we are photographed by security cameras five thousand times a day.

Thankfully you are well-positioned to address the problem of AI and digital disembodiment in creative and fully conscious ways.

This is not about "changing your online habits." It's about a radical reclaiming of oneself in the midst of a total onslaught of technology that pillages us; and then on top of that, a state of mind created in society that is turning colder every day despite the planet heating up.

Just how big is the digital issue, now that it's moved into the realm of simulated human thought? I learned this week that Bill Gates <u>purchased the infamous Three Mile Island nuclear power</u> plant so that he would have enough energy for Microsoft's AI efforts. The part of the plant that survived the 1979 meltdown can produce 837,000,000 watts of power (enough for 800,000 modern homes). For contrast, the human brain runs on about 20 watts of power. Perhaps we are out-powered by AI, but we are more efficient and definitely more creative.



Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania will be used exclusively to power artificial intelligence data centers.

And creativity, coupled with direct experience, is your way through the chaos and insanity of the up and rising next generation of the digital environment.

Your creativity is how you heal, how you create yourself, how you grow and express yourself. And this does not require a nuclear power plant to energize.

What is called for is openness, curiosity and the quest for experience.

Do not be surprised if your opportunities arrive in the style of

Eris, as some form of disruption. The key here is to use disruption to your advantage — as an opportunity. It is an invitation. While it's not easy to see this in the case of a tornado, flood or fire, it is easy to see and experience in the realm of ideas, of art and even of relationships.

You can be sure it will be a factor. However, while Eris is not exactly trustworthy, Chiron surely is. Therefore, follow your own quest for wholeness, as well as your curiosity and your desire for direct experience.

Materials to Work With: Saturn and Neptune

OK, let's come back to the Saturn-Neptune conjunction. The way this plays out is that for about a year, Saturn and Neptune will dance back and forth between Pisces and Aries, finally forming one conjunction on Feb. 20, 2026. This is happening concurrently with the Chiron-Eris conjunction, in the same house and the same sign. If Aries 5th is your personal art studio, think of Saturn and Neptune as materials to work with. Saturn provides substance and structure; Neptune provides imagination and inspiration. The key to having these two planets in aspect is getting those factors working together.

Too often, they create a kind of dull response, with Saturn extinguishing the inspiration of Neptune. However, this will be happening in Aries, where you have a lot of drive, and that drive will be powered by Chiron + Eris. There is nothing like necessity to inspire creativity, and that's what you're about to get. Between these four factors — contained in two conjunctions that last well over a year — you have everything you need to recreate and reinvent yourself; and to make self-creation a way of life.

This will necessarily apply to all that you do — whether you're talking about work, art, raising your kids, your relationships or whatever.

I would encourage you to set your mind to "response" mode. Let everything you do be a response to something, whether internal or external. There will be plenty in your external environment to respond to; it will be very helpful if you remain aware of your inner being, and to do that, you will need to work consciously at it. There will be plenty coming from outside you.

Uranus in Gemini: First, an Evaluation

About halfway through 2025, another factor emerges: Uranus enters Gemini, your 7th place of relationships and your relationship to existence. The ingress happens on two dates: July 7, 2025, and April 25, 2026. This seems like a long way off. Yet this transit describes such a sweeping change to both society and your life personally that preparation time is essential.

There is a built-in transition, which is the nine months spanning July to April. Yet these coming seasons represent an opportunity for a full evaluation of your relationship situation — including your idea of what relationships are for. I speak of both personal intimate relationships and also business partnerships. Based on the prior Uranus in Gemini, 1942-1949, the influence of artificial intelligence and computer technology will be very prominent in this process, as it is in several other areas of your life.

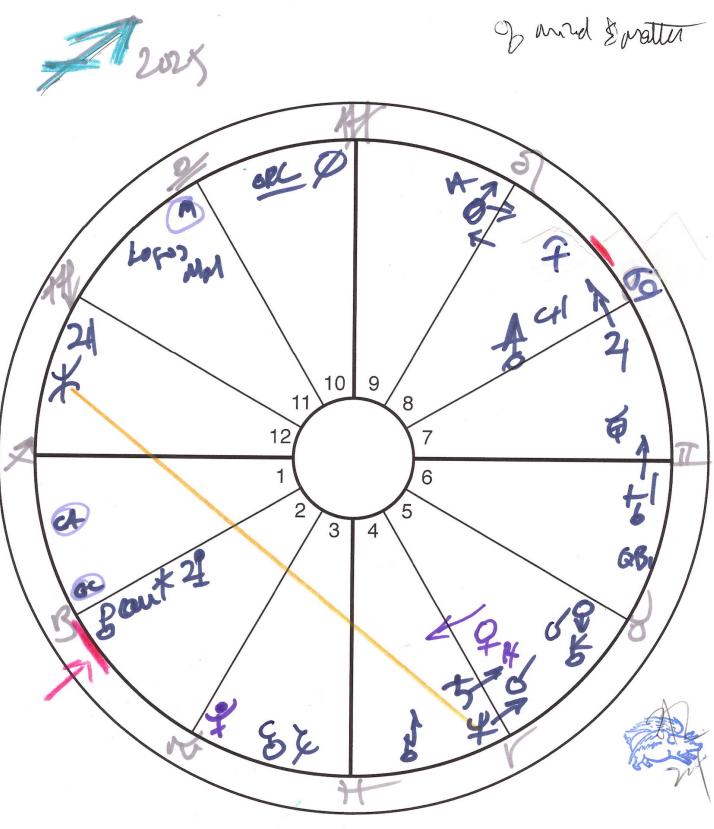
Uranus as an incoming influence (that is the 7th) describes a rapidly changing total environment. Uranus as an internal influence projected outward (that is also the 7th) describes you changing in some way, likely in response to the technological flood, and your relationships being tested as a result. Given that this is a LOT of material, I would suggest the following: that you create a kind of relationship CV, beginning with what your parents taught you by example and what they told you to expect. The chances are their example did not match their words; and that you had little basis for accurate expectations. Plus, it didn't occur to anyone except maybe Marshall McLuhan personally, and maybe Steve Jobs, that our lives would be totally up-ended by being thrust into an electrical, digital reality in just a couple of decades.

And that "digital reality," if you can call it that, is going to accelerate radically in the coming years, with a likely surge in the first years of Uranus in Gemini. It will be vitally important that you stay in close dialog with your partners, and that you commit to understanding your own needs and expectations. The places where your needs and your understanding of your partners meet are going to be important territory.

There are many things on Earth that it's difficult to plan for. A Uranus transit is one of them. Yet in such situations, one human factor prevails above all else, which is your ability and desire to know yourself. That is your contact point with life in all of its complexity; you are the one factor that all of your circumstances have in common.

And the transits described in your chart — especially, above all, in Aries — will ensure that you stay connected to your purpose and your innate intelligence. That is how you stay grounded; that is how you stay in contact with yourself and with existence on our tenuous, fragile world.





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