

I have been getting emails indicating that some of you are not receiving the Celestial Timings. If you are currently a subscriber to the Celestial Timings and do not receive them around the first of each month it may be because the Server Timed Out and did not deliver them. Sometimes emails are returned to me saying the mailbox was full, or it has been rejected due to spam filters, but if you have been receiving them until now, the first reason is the most likely. There are about 4000 subscribers to the Celestial Timings and that number is growing and changing almost daily. I am managing all of the changes with the help of my automated email list program. If you do not receive the Celestial Timings by the first of the month, please visit the website to download them from there. Here is the URL http://www.shamanicastrology.com/celestial_timings.htm This helps me out as it requires a lot of time to individually send the Celestial Timings to those who didn't receive them. Also you can always re-subscribe if you feel you might have dropped off the email list. Addresses are automatically deleted if I have them bounced back to me 10 times meaning it would take several months before you would be dropped from the list.

I am delighted to share with you another talented Shamanic Astrologer, Paula Berliner, who courageously agreed to write the first two weeks of the Celestial Timings this month. I am deeply grateful for Paula and Leslie Harris, Rosalind Shorter and Gael Chilson who have all made their excellent contributions to the Celestial Timings this year. As I continue to experience magnified changes in my personal life it has been especially helpful having the creative support of these talented women.

I so love these Celestial Timings and once again I am awed by the wisdom and beauty that is continually expressing through the Celestial Dance as it relates to our Earthly experience especially when we are remembering to look skyward.

August 2005 Celestial Timings

Part One by Paula Berliner
Part Two by Carolyn Brent

Ah, not to be cut off,
not through the slightest partition shut out
from the law of the stars.
The inner – what is it?
if not intensified sky,
hurled through with birds
and deep with the winds of homecoming.
~Rainer Maria Rilke

Part One August 1-15 Celestial Timings By Paula Berliner

I recently had the privilege to ask my spiritual teacher, the venerable Master Djwhal Khul, for his perspective on the August cosmology intent. He generously gave his wisdom specifically for Celestial Timings by graciously writing the following:

In August, prepare for a building-up of energies that may leave people feeling as if they are living in a pressure cooker, as the energetic confluence of multiple energies work their way in and through personal, familial, communal and even spiritual areas. Those who are sensitive will likely be able to ascertain that a "critical mass" is building that will ultimately offer some climax in September. Just as (at the sub atomic level) when too much matter is compressed into a space too small to accommodate it an energetic force field builds up, in like manner, August brings the personal experience of more internal pressure with the confluence of psychic and emotional energies. At the particle level, critical mass is relieved through one of two processes. One process is eruptive, and stimulates explosion; the other, through collapsing inward, stimulates implosion. Pay attention to how these natural processes play out in the personal experiences of those you know and love.

Those who are sensitive and aware of these incoming forces may recognize such times as an invitation to "get on" with the business of redesigning their priorities. This is one way this critical mass experience may effect the mature psyche. The less mature will likely make known their emotional developmental levels across a broad spectrum as they experience the stress of this energetic compression. Many will construe the compression as a lack of precious time. Indeed, the matter of time may not be the issue at all, but most will feel some kind of pressure around their personal sense of time, or the perceived lack thereof. For those who are alert to the escalation of internal pressure in August, it will prove interesting to pay attention to the manner in which it resolves in September. www.masterdk.com

Visible Cosmology for August

Morning Sky
Mars (growing in brightness as it moves toward retrograde Oct 2) In the sign of Taurus and in the constellation of the Ram a.k.a. Aries appearing above the Pleiades
Saturn emerging more fully in the morning sky in the sign of Leo and in the constellation of the Crab a.k.a. Cancer (rises as a morning star on Aug 11)
Mercury in the sign of Leo in the Constellation of the crab a.k.a. Cancer moving into the constellation of the Lion near the end of the Month. (rises as a morning star on Aug 12)

Evening Sky
Venus in the sign of Virgo and in the constellation of the Lion a.k.a. Leo
Jupiter in the sign of Libra in the constellation a.k.a the High Priestess nearing the fixed star Spica and its conjunction with Venus.

Some of the visible prominent fixed stars this time of year are...**Arcturus** the bright red star in the constellation of Bootes, (above Jupiter and Venus and always located off the curve of the handle of the Big Dipper. Vega, in the constellation of Lyra is one of the stars of the Summer Triangle (Deneb, the tail of the swan and Altair the Eye of the Eagle are the other two stars in this triangle) and is located high and bright at the zenith as the sky darkens after Sunset. **Spica** is in constellation of the High Priestess a.k.a. Virgo with Jupiter and Venus both moving closer this month. **Antares** (orange/red star marking the heart of the Scorpion) in the constellation of Scorpius a.k.a. Scorpio is lying across the southern sky with the **Milky Way** arching between the tail of the Scorpion and the tip of the arrow of the Archer a.k.a Sagittarius pointing directly at **Galactic Center**. **The Perseid Meteor Shower** peaks Aug 12 and 13 in the constellation of Perseus.

The Overview of the Cosmology; the first fifteen days:

Sun (9-22 Leo); Neptune (16 Aquarius) opposes Sun, Moon and Mercury all in Leo; South Node conjuncts Jupiter (16-14 Libra); Sun (14 Leo) sextiles Jupiter (14 Libra); Chiron (29 Cap); retrograde Mercury (16-8 Leo) enters a new 110-day cycle on Aug 5; Venus (11-29 Virgo) conjuncts the Moon at 19 Virgo and passes through the 3rd gate out of the underworld; Mars (02-08 Taurus); Saturn (Leo 02-03); Pluto (21 Sag) squares Venus (21 Virgo); Uranus (09 Pisces).

It appears, "A build-up . . . the energetic confluence of multiple energies . . ." Djwhal Khul mentioned, might be associated with the multiple planets coalesced in Leo, and the progression of Venus toward Jupiter for a monumental conjunction that includes the fixed star, Spica, in early September. Possibly, if you align and show up in radical self-love, then in September, this loving energy can be reflected in your relationships. Therefore, to assist in your understanding of the cosmological activity for August, I included some of the characterization of the Leo Mystery School as follows:

Leo Mystery School: Fire, masculine, personal, non-householder. The intent: Showing up in the awareness of the generous flow of God's essence that is inherent in all of creation; The state of "is-ness" that exists beyond duality; Radical self-love.

Pure Intent: a radiance anchored from a place of self-love, self-confidence, and self-acceptance; creator /designer, intuitive, willful, youthful, sovereign, spontaneous, freedom of self-expression / comfortable "being yourself, " true leadership; graces and empowers others to be the same, altruistic love.

Shadow: The personal I (ego) runs you: "I'm special, you are not" (looking for love outside of self), "look at me" (needing attention), and "I'm better" (a form of superiority), prideful, boasting, arrogant, stubborn, self-hatred, lack of confidence, self-doubt, self-importance, self-aggrandizement, self-indulgence, entitlement, takes external projection and matters personally, solar plexus personal love; "I" love you, preoccupied with the thought

of not being loved enough, self-interests, external image, and dramas/traumas.

Aug 01, Mon. Chiron (29 Capricorn) opposite Saturn (02Leo) and squaring Mars (02 Taurus). The Cancer Moon still in its last quarter phase is in the synthesizing part of its monthly the journey. Today the gift comes in the form of wisdom in how to better nourish and support yourself, your family, and your community. Also, Chiron moved back to 29 Capricorn late yesterday and remains in this domain until Dec 05, 2005, offering one last experiential journey through the sacred wounds of our current conventional world and invoking compassion for its predicament. In addition, Mars is currently in the interim phase completing its current cycle and preparing for a New cycle that begins Nov 7. In today's aspect, Mars is attuning to Saturn assisting in the new daunting two-year task of securing God's Light on Earth.

Aug 02, Tue. Neptune (16 Aquarius) opposes Mercury (16 Leo) nearly conjunct the Sun (10 Leo). Neptune is activating messenger Mercury inquiry into the Mystery School of Leo: **What does love of self mean for me?** If I am in a state radical self-love, would I condemn, curse, or control self or another? Is it possible to know my compassionate connection to all sentient beings by being in a state of radical self-love? Am I aware when the radiant essence of creation shows up through me? Does this radiance affect the bigger picture? Ask the questions, look within, and you will find that any areas of confusion will lead to clarity. However, a definitive answer is not important, for these queries are essential for the new maturation objective of Saturn in Leo, July 16, 2005 - September 02, 2007 (an opportune time to clear the dead wood in reference to personal self, thereby releasing ego's "gripping" that blocks the innate flow of essence. (Refer to Aug 03). This is Mercury's second opposition to Neptune. The last one is August 26. This is a powerful visionary time for the messenger Mercury in bringing greater awareness to healthy expressions of Leo's divine self-love. If the shadow of Leo is dominating our awareness then this could be a time of confusion and delusion.

Aug 03, Wed. Saturn (02 Leo) conjunct the Moon furthers current investigative journey into the nature of personal self (I) vs. essence (oneness). Thus, it is an important day to ask the BIG questions and carefully consider some of the divine teachings such as: **How do I anchor Divine Luminosity into this conventional world?** Only when, according to Djwhal Khul, the illusionary personal self (I) dissolves, a blessing of luminosity arises. This is the natural emergence of "God's Light" for all people. **What concrete steps do I take to assure the reign of God's light within the world of Saturn?** According to Djwhal Khul, the steps that lead you to a luminescent state of being begin with a willingness to take a sobering look at any illusions for which you are "gripping," then you will progress to the ultimate mental/emotional state of **highly engaged neutrality**. Illusions are generated from karmic imprints. These imprints lace our perceptive bodies i.e. head, heart and belly. By looking through the eyes of the objective observer and self-examining, free of blame and judgment, we become more mindful, or conscious, of our

thoughts, words and deeds. This allows us to turn loose of whatever ego (I) is "gripping" or directing our experience. For instance, the moment a charge arises gratifying or non-gratifying it most likely originates from the mind's internal projection, rather than the obvious external projection. Look at it, feel it, and let it go. Then, ask yourself what is my ego getting out of this, and what is the pay off? This is an effective way to see through your blind spots and get to a place where your consciousness is vast and connected (essence). Vigilant self-awareness is the key to clarifying these centers of perception. Also, you might ask yourself **what am I learning about myself through my current restrictive and limited experiences.** This aspect will repeat each month for the next two years.

Aug 04, Thu. Mercury (14 Leo) is nearing its conjunct with the Sun (12 Leo) on this Leo New Moon Day exact at 8:04 p.m.(PDT). Transformer messenger Mercury continues to offer wise counsel for the fulfilling the intent of the Leo Mystery School. This is the creative part of the Moon's journey, envisioning and seeding authentic expressions of Self-love while dissolving personal self (I) through the radiant rays of the Sun. (Refer to Aug 02, 03).

Aug 05, Fri. The Sun conjuncts Mercury (13 Leo) marking the new 110-day Mercury cycle archetypically shape-shifting from Aries to Leo. This further installs the current exploration into the Leo Mystery School of radical Self-love or knowing and loving ourselves as radiant divine expressions of our Creator.

Aug 06, Sat. The Sun (14 Leo) sextiles Jupiter (14 Libra) & Moon enters Virgo. Jupiter is picking up speed in relationship to the Sun after its station direct in June. Personal self becomes acutely aware of its non-hierarchal connection or it's hierarchal disconnection toward "other" and the Earth. With Jupiter in Libra and Sun in Leo the emphasis is on our primary relationship with self. Our relationship with others acts as a reflection of how well we are doing with our relationship to our divine nature within.

Aug 07, Sun. The Moon occults Venus (18Virgo) at 9:56 P.M. (PDT). Only Alaska and Northwest Canada will see this event, but the effects will be felt throughout the world in this three-day window. The impact of a planetary occultation is similar to an eclipse accelerating the energy. Venus in Virgo is the high priestess and she is about being in resonance with the cycles and rhythms of Earth, Sky and the patterning of the natural world. This is a time when any areas of our forgotten connection to these cycles can be uncovered at an accelerated rate. We might ask if the Earth's pollution is reflecting our collective polluted thoughts and if reverence is held in mind, can Earth's polluted state be eradicated? (See Aug 8 for Venus/Moon and the 3rd gate). Tonight look for Venus and the crescent Moon low on the western horizon after sunset.

Aug 08, Mon. Neptune (16 Aquarius) opposes the Sun (16 Leo) and Venus (19 Virgo) conjuncts Moon. This Neptune/ Sun impact is like a full Moon, but in this case, the Sun is shining on Neptune. Therefore, this is a day of

illumination with heighten visionary and mystical energies with potential clarity replacing confusion. In addition, the current Venus Cycle that June 15, 2004 and runs till January 20, 2006 is integrating the archetypal feminine essence of Gemini into the collective psyche of humanity. Those with birthdays in this time frame correlating to multiples of eight are on the front lines of this Venus Return Cycle. According to the cosmologically based Sumerian Myth of Inanna today marks the passage of Venus through the third gate out of the underworld where she retrieves her vestment symbolizing the third chakra (solar plexus) allowing her to maintain her own personal power and not give it away. Her power is fully reinstated in a healthy way if this chakra is not "gripping" to any illusion. If the underworld journey has been successful this is felt as a time of returning strength and power. If it has not been successful then it may be a time when emotions, confusion, and power plays are even more evident. This is a one-month window. Embracing **reverence** (for self, others and life) helps to facilitate this process. At twilight, look for the crescent waxing Moon with Venus to its lower right and Jupiter to its upper left.

Aug 09, Tue. Pluto (21 Sagittarius) squares Venus (21Virgo) & Moon enters Libra. Pluto shows Venus if she has successfully embraced her power, or if she is still operates from fear, emotional charges, control, and chaos. Remember to allow whatever needs to fall away to die, for what remains is your destiny. Look for Jupiter/Moon conjunct in the West-Southwest evening sky.

Aug 10, Wed. Moon (15 Libra) occults Jupiter (15 Libra) visible in Antarctica and the South Indian Ocean. The South Node and Jupiter are conjunct throughout this month and this occultation brings maximum awareness at an accelerated rate the origination point of non-hierarchal partnership and relationship with self and other exposing where we are off track with conscious equal partnership. Thus, pay close attention to what is being revealed to you, yet be mindful of "imagination run amok," and step into engaged neutrality, showing up as a high witness, not attached to any outcomes. (See Aug 02 & 03). *(Note from Carolyn: This aspect also directly correlates to the nineteen-year lunar standstill that is exact next summer but is in dramatic effect and nearly exact this year. Only once every 12 years does Jupiter pass through Libra and only once every 19 years does the South Node pass through Libra. 12 years times 19 years is 228 years and checking back Jupiter and South Node did not meet in Libra at that time nor was it a time of a Lunar Standstill. So this is truly a rare opportunity to revisit our concepts of relationship paying attention to what no longer works and to revision whole new ways of engaging healthy, loving relationships that support us in experiencing who we truly are beyond anything we have yet imagined.)*

Aug 11, Thu. Saturn (03 Leo) rises as a morning star & Moon enters Scorpio. Stay present and conscious of the previous timing (Aug 10), but with Moon in Scorpio, it could feel intense (it's really felt, but it's not real). Look for Saturn low on the Eastern horizon before sunrise and the Perseid Meteor Shower peak begins tonight after 9:00 p.m. (PDT).

Aug 12, Fri. Perseid Meteor Showers highlights Mars (08 Taurus). The First Quarter Scorpio Moon 7:39 p.m.(PDT) is in the "take action" phase of its journey. Is anything "seething" within? Use this day to take a passionate step forward. The annual meteor showers are visible all night shooting directly into Mars by 4:00 a.m. (PDT). This is guaranteed to be spectacular! [Nasa](#) Retrograde Mercury (10 Leo) is rising as morning star low and very difficult to see on the Eastern horizon before sunrise.

Aug 13, Sat. Mars (09Taurus) squares Mercury (09 Leo) & Moon enters Sagittarius. Mars and messenger Mercury are seeking an honest assessment to determine what it means and what it entails to have God's Light reign on Earth. Is it even possible? Does the actualization begin with you? Use this day to seek your own personal truths. (See Aug 02, 03).

Aug 14, Sun. Sun (21 Leo) trines Pluto (21 Sagittarius) & Sagittarius Moon occults Antares. This is the still point phase of Pluto as it prepares to station direct on Sep 2. Therefore, today is a day for deep reflection and not external action. Does radical self-love lead personal (I) to oneness (essence)? Is it the ultimate harmonious connection to ALL of creation? **Do we, as a Western culture, confuse self-indulgence for self-love?** Is the human temperament soft and pliable when it perceives through the eyes of essence. Also, this is the Moon's 9th occult to the fixed star, Antares, can be seen only from the Southern tip of Australia. *Note from Carolyn: These Moon occultations of the red giant heart star of the Scorpion Antares are a feature of the Moon's path during the time of the Lunar Standstill, intensifying the transmissions from this great stargate portal. What comes to mind is the quickening of the language of heart and the connection Antares has to the pyramids so also the quickening of the language of transformational light. This timing helps support us in reprogramming our emotional addictions that separate us from our true heart knowing and experience. Releasing attachments to outcome and remembering we have everything we need to enjoy our present moment when we are not attached to specific outcomes creates the space for a more loving response to and from life.*

Aug 15, Mon. Pluto (21 Sagittarius) conjuncts Moon (21 Sagittarius) & Mercury (09 Leo) stations direct. What is falling away? Are you resisting or stubbornly holding on? It is time to move into new territory, so allow the old to die and the new to reveal itself in perfect time. In the words of Djwhal Khul, as he often says, **"turn loose, let go, and relax."** And, for those of you who are experiencing the frustration of Mercury's retrograde can now sigh...Ah! Relief!

Part Two Celestial Timings by Carolyn Brent

Never in recorded history has radical, revolutionary, overnight change been more possible, and never has Humanity's collective shift into Divine Consciousness been more probable. Miraculous changes are

daily and hourly taking place within every man, woman and child. As we each, with clear intent, consciously focus on both our personal and planetary Transfiguration, our victory is assured.

Patricia Diane Cota Robles in her March 2004 newsletter <http://www.1spirit.com/eraofpeace>

Aug 16, Tuesday. Venus moves into Libra until Sep 11, 2005. Tonight Venus is visible in western sky after Sunset within 16 degrees of Jupiter now at 16 Libra. Jupiter is now within 7 or 8 degrees of the fixed blue star Spica located in the hand of the Virgin Priestess and associated with the Empress in the Tarot Cards a symbol of the divine feminine in her strength, fertility, and generative expressions. Here we have an opportunity to connect with the expansive power of Jupiter to renew our vision of relationships and generate whole new ways of relating with ourselves, each other, and life.

With Jupiter and the South Node (15 Libra) having just made its exact conjunction in the past couple of days and Venus catching up to the South Node (14 Libra) in the early morning hours of Aug 29 we are being called to look at what in our past experience supports healthy experiences of relationship and what does not. *In Conversations With God Book One* Neale Donald Walsh writes about what God shared with him on the topic of relationships. One important factor was that relationships do not carry any obligation, restrictions, rules, or guidelines.... *"Relationship – your relationship to all things-was created as your perfect tool in the work of the soul. That is why all human relationships are sacred ground. It is why every personal relationship is holy.*

In this, many churches have it right. Marriage is a sacrament. But not because of its sacred obligations. Rather, because of its unequalled opportunity.

Never do anything in relationship out of a sense of obligation. Do whatever you do out of sense of the glorious opportunity your relationship affords you to decide, and to be Who You Really Are..." <http://www.cwg.org/index2.html>

Aug 17, Wednesday. With Moon moving into Aquarius and Jupiter trining Neptune we have added help in radically revisioning our understanding of conscious equal partnership and the grand intent of our personal relationships. *Conversations With God* says...*Remember, your job on the planet is not to see how long you can stay in relationship, its to decide, and experience, Who You Really Are...*The idea here is to be conscious about why we are entering into relationships? If we are choosing relationships because we are unconsciously lonely, bored, depressed, or unfulfilled it is doubtful the relationship will ultimately fulfill those needs. If however we are consciously entering relationship and choosing it as - *an opportunity for growth, for full Self expression, for lifting your lives to their highest potential, for healing every false thought or small idea you ever had about you, and for ultimate reunion with God through the communion of your two souls* – then we are entering an entirely different domain based on the foundation of consciously choosing our experience. This rewrites our current cultural

relationship programming in ways that are liberating, beneficial and supportive to all concerned. <http://www.cwg.org/index2.html>

Week of Aug 18 - 24 This week features the Aquarius [Full Moon](#) symbolizing the fulfillment, or fruition, of the seeds planted at the New Moon or some earlier cycle. Each Full Moon reminds us of the seeds we may have coming to maturity, to their fullness, to the place where the fruits or gifts are received. The Moon begins to wane this week representing the dissemination of the gifts received at the Full Moon. Once each year the Moon is Full in Aquarius emphasizing the cosmic overview and the revolutionary cutting edge ideas that bring evolutionary change.

Aug 18, Thursday. Tonight is the fullest rise of the Moon and with the exact Full Moon tomorrow morning Moon rise tomorrow night will already be a waning. Tonight the Moon is rising in the East South East (ENE) 10 to 15 minutes before the Sunsets with a low horizon line. This is the second closest to the Earth Full Moon this year and worth witnessing if you have clear skies. (Moonrise is about 6:48 pm and Sun set is about 7 pm in Tucson, Arizona depending upon your relationship with the surrounding mountains). In the Aquarius Full Moon window we have an opportunity to embrace and even instigate change intended to support radical growth.

Aug 19, Friday. The Aquarius [Full Moon](#) (26Aquarius50) is exact at 10:53 am PDT transmits the mysteries of the cosmic revolutionary. This energy is committed to its own unique path of self-expression through revolutionary and novel events that shift our assemblage point or core beliefs defining our current reality. This is a great time to note what assemblage points are ready to shift within your being honoring and choosing to embrace those changes through ceremonial intent. Tonight the Moon is rising about 20 to 30 minutes after the Sunset.

Aug 20, Saturday. The Moon moved into Pisces yesterday and conjuncts Uranus (9 Pisces) today. Also Saturn (4 Leo) is sextile Venus (4 Libra) and Venus and Jupiter are now only 12 degrees apart. Jupiter and Spica are within 8 degrees and all three (Jupiter, Spica and Venus) are beautifully visible in the western sky after sunset. (See Aug 16) This line-up is great for first remembering that all our needs for soul growth are met in every moment. We tend to forget this when we are caught up in memories and fears from the past and/or from projections and fears about the future. It is a helpful practice to *request* the fulfillment of our true heart's desire, then to *expect* that it will manifest without attachment to how and finally to *accept* all the gifts and experiences that come with genuine gratitude and appreciation. Energy follows thoughts and words and deeds (or actions). When we can truly imagine the fulfillment of our heart-felt desires, decree it so, act accordingly, and know it is already manifesting we have genuinely begun conscious co-creation with Great Mystery. If you find yourself obsessing about the past or imagining worst-case scenarios for the future – stop! Take a deep relaxing breath, acknowledge and embrace the fear – take another

deep relaxing breath or as many deep breaths as are needed to allow the fear proper space so it can give you its message. Accept and receive the message with gratitude and trust you are exactly in the place that is most conducive to your soul's growth. Also, visually connecting with Venus, Jupiter and Spica may assist the process of receiving any messages they have. It is amazing how exciting and thrilling it is to see the planets in their various relationships with each other as they journey through the sky. Words cannot begin to adequately capture the wonder and inspiration possible when we are attuning to the dance of the heavens.

Aug 21, Sunday. The Moon is moving into Aries later today transmitting the mysteries of the rugged individualist, the adventurer exploring new territory, and the sacred warrior who fights to protect family, community and the cosmic order of life, willingly taking a courageous stand for truth, justice and balance.

Aug 22, Monday. The Sun goes into Virgo this evening and remains in this domain until Sep 22. This seasonal move of the Sun into Virgo emphasizes our relationship to the pattern of life including the pattern of Sacred Time and Sacred Space. This includes the idea of "right timing" for maximum results or timing that is most aligned with the natural rhythms of life. This includes the right time to plant seeds, the right time to ceremonially call the rains, the right time to harvest, the right time to call for the return of the Sun, the right time to celebrate, the right time to pray, the right time to rest, eat, exercise, work and play. Virgo understands this more than any other archetype. This is definitely the "right time" to tune in and align with your own supportive personal rhythms.

The paradigm cannot truly shift until our collective mind abandons its exclusive relationship to secularized, chronological time and begins to absorb and operate out of SACRED TIME - time that is holographic, time that resonates with meaning, with spirit, with myth, and with soul.

"Changing Our Minds About Time" by Geraldine Hatch Hannon Feb/Mar, 1996 issue of the Mountain Astrologer

Aug 23, Tuesday. The Moon moves into Taurus late this evening and remains here until the early morning hours of Aug 26. The Moon in Taurus is transmitting the mysteries of intimacy, receivership, beauty, and aesthetics. [Seeking Beauty's Place In Our Time](#) by James Hubbell describes beauty this way...*Beauty, like love, has the power to change things. It can also help us make decisions and unite the disparate elements in our lives.* <http://www.lyricalworks.com/muse/beauty.htm> Here is an anonymous offering on Beauty... *Beauty is elusive; it is as fleeting and as difficult to capture as it is to define. Beauty is commonplace; it is a presence so pervasive that each cloud is crowned with it, every sunset is casually, even recklessly, awash in it. Beauty is rare; it is a treasure so precious it is beyond the measure of price. Beauty is eternal; it yields as little to time as it does to place.* http://www.zender.com/html/beauty_body.html This is a great time to notice the beauty that is everywhere around

us in every moment - allowing beauty to gently, lovingly change us and the world we experience.

Aug 24, Wednesday. The waning disseminating Moon is conjunct Mars (14 Taurus) near the astrological cross-quarter - between the Autumnal Equinox and the Summer Solstice - known as Beltane. The duo will be visible about four hours after Sunset in the East North East (ENE) area of the sky. Tomorrow night the waning Moon is conjunct the Pleiades. Mars begins its retrograde Oct 2 and remains in Taurus until Feb 17, 2006. We are now experiencing the final integration phase of the current Mars cycle completing the quest for the Holy Grail within and answering the question of how to truly help and heal? The new Mars quest is to discover a true experience and understanding of beauty, sacred pleasure and intimacy as not only an art form but also an important aspect of the evolutionary path to wholeness.

Aug 25, Thursday. Mercury (15 Leo) squares Mars (15 Taurus) in the range of two cross-quarter points. Mercury is at the Lammas or Lughnasah cross-quarter between the June Solstice and September Equinox. Mars is located at the Beltane cross-quarter between the March Equinox and the June Solstice. Mercury in Leo symbolizes the quick intuitive expressions of mind. Mars in Taurus is learning to savor and enjoy the fullest pleasures of beauty and intimacy. This timing for up to two days before and after today may produce restlessness to get things done more quickly. Releasing any addictions to results (especially rapid results) is helpful and may alleviate potential conflicts and anger that ultimately are beyond our control anyway. Using the energy of this timing can be productive and inspired when we remember to be grateful for what IS and what it is teaching us about ourselves. If we allow irritation, anger, impulsive reactions, and pressure to get things accomplished quickly to drive our actions then we set ourselves up for disappointment and even possible injuries. Enjoy and savor the moment whenever possible.

Aug 26, Friday. The Last Quarter Moon is rising around midnight in Gemini (3Gemini29) and will be directly overhead around Sunrise. This along with the last Mercury opposition to Neptune (the first one was July 12 and the second was August 1) adds the element of surprising cosmic messages that can optimize our attunement with the field of all possibilities for inspired dreaming and thinking. It is important to tune into inner intuitive guidance because outer circumstances can be deceiving.

Aug 27, Saturday. Venus (13 Libra) conjunct South Node (14 Libra) exact tomorrow about 11:58 pm PDT. Jupiter conjuncted the South Node earlier this month when it came into the one degree orb on Aug 6, was exact Aug 12 and left the one degree orb Aug 17. Venus moves faster and is within one degree today, exact tomorrow and moving past one degree by early on Aug 30. Only once every 19 years is the south Node in Libra and every 12 years Jupiter in Libra. (See Aug 10)

Venus and Jupiter are expanding our awareness around the importance of the mysteries of partnership and relationship. What is working in our current relationship

models? Co-dependent ways of relating have been our primary models that may have worked in another time but with our rapidly changing world we are being called to find our authentic independent life expression and then to find healthy ways to relate to others including family, friends, co-workers, lovers, life partners etc. In Ken Keyes book *Prescriptions for Happiness* written over 25 years ago he has given some great guidelines for living love in our relationships to life and each other. The Third prescription is: **Turn up your love – even if you don't get what you want.** He suggests this does not mean you have to be nice to others but it helps to be NICE TO YOURSELF...when we have our loved turned off toward ourselves and others we are not feeling togetherness and openness in our hearts. We don't have to like everything others say or do to be in a place of love and acceptance. We can still like what we like and prefer what we prefer while allowing others their own process.

Aug 28, Sunday. Mars (16 Taurus) the active sacred masculine principle is square retrograde Neptune (16 Aquarius) the one who inspires the new visions and dreams. Mars represents decisive action for instituting those dreams, however Neptune often has challenges with making decision unless you already know what you are choosing. When overwhelmed with choices going within helps to locate clear inner guidance focusing on just the next step. If conflicts of ideals and beliefs are coming up it is a good time to go and do something fun or something productive to shift the energy. Mars needs to take action. It doesn't matter if its hiking a mountain, exploring a new place, hanging with friends, researching new ideas, working out, cleaning out the garage, finishing or starting a project, or any other activity. The important thing is to actively do something to keep the energy moving creatively. Due to the Mars Retrograde Mars will square Neptune two more times on Nov 18 and January 15.

The Moon's move into Cancer and Mercury (18 Leo) sextile Jupiter (18 Libra) is adding support for choosing well, learning new things, and expanding vision around relationships, family, and community.

Aug 29, Monday. Venus is closing in on its conjunction with Jupiter now only three degrees apart and reaching their conjunction exact on Sep 1. This is worth noting in the western sky after Sunset within about four or five degrees of the fixed Star Spica, a prominent blue star located in the hand of the Virgin Priestess. This timing is reminding us that all relationships have value and purpose, teaching us more about ourselves even if we don't always like what we see. This reminds us of the importance of making conscious choices in all our relationships, including ourselves. Choosing to love yourself, including yourself as someone worthy of your love, is essential in experiencing conscious equal partnership with others. It may be time to notice if the purpose of your most important relationships is being fulfilled? If not then it may be time to end the relationships that are holding you back from experiencing your true self. Or it may be time to make a deeper commitment to a

current relationship so the relationship can move into new territory allowing you to know more of who you are in the process. One main key here is to pay attention to your relationship with yourself as it will assist you in gaining guidance on how to proceed. Another key of course is to love and accept yourself regardless of whether you are in a healthy relationship, ending a relationship, beginning a new relationship, or even if you are not currently engaging in any significant relationships other than with yourself. All relationships are reflection of how we are relating to ourselves and to the divine essence of life.

Aug 30, Tuesday. Mercury (15 Leo) trines Pluto (15 Sagittarius) firing the mind with deep powerful inspiring ideas. Mercury connects with our ability to creatively communicate who we are. Pluto brings depth and power to that communication. These two together represent the Shamanic transformational process that comes through creative communication including music, dance, art, speech, writing, ceremony, etc or any kind of communicative practice that takes you beyond everyday ordinary experience. These are often the kinds of experiences that push our edges beyond previous comfort zones into new powerful creative expressions. Discomfort and anxiety are common when this happens and yet the experiences are usually ultimately empowering and liberating.

Aug 31, Wednesday. Moon is conjunct Saturn (6 Leo) visible just to the upper left of Saturn toward the ENE morning sky before Sunrise and Mercury (22 Leo) now beyond the retrograde degrees of the past two months is also visible 17 degrees to the lower left of Saturn just above the horizon. If you are up before Sunrise this will be a worthwhile site.

Also today the Sun (9 Virgo) reaches its annual opposition to retrograde Uranus (9 Pisces) marking the center point of the current Uranus Retrograde cycle symbolizing a threshold crossing toward radically unique, extremely novel and original cutting edge experiences. This revolutionary energy pushes for the changes that are cathartic, liberating and evolutionary. This week may bring sudden and unexpected events designed to shift any long held sense of self that is limiting. Remember, disruptions are excellent opportunities to break out of old restrictive patterns creating opportunities to break through to greater freedom of being. When we are holding on and fearful sometimes we can get stuck in the breakdown resisting the changes now possible and thereby missing the break through opportunity. Rolling with the flow and releasing attachments to outcome are helpful ways to ride the Uranian waves of change.

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