

STAR GUIDANCE – SUMMER 2021



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Welcome to Northern Hemisphere Summer! Our ACVA President Charlotte Benson has highlighted the action of Jupiter as it stays in the early degrees of Aquarius all summer long. Anyone who has planets or lagna in the air rashis of Gemini, Libra and Aquarius will receive a happy boost which will last all summer. The same goes for the Leo people, particularly during the late summer when the Sun is in Leo. This is "Dr. Yes!" paying a visit and casting wisdom and optimism for all. Be sure to get a look at Jupiter in the night sky, especially near the Full Moon periods.

Mars and Saturn begin the summer season in a dance of opposition: Mars debilitated in Cancer opposite to Saturn in its own sign of Capricorn and bright and retrograde. The good news is that the maximum effect of this Mars/Saturn opposition is at the last week of June and the first week of July, and then it is done. Saturn will be opposite the Sun in the mid-summer from July 17 to August 17, where it will be visible in the night sky. By then, happily, Mars will have moved out of Cancer into Leo (July 19) where it will function more in its fiery element in the sign of its planetary friend the Sun. In this early summer month we will all want to be doing our part to soothe our own aggravated emotions and to maintaining a calm reflective attitude. This is our best gift to those around us who may be on edge and aggravated. While news of the world brings us stories of fear and illness, particularly right now affecting our friends in India, the stars seems to show a gradual improvement after July 17 as the Mars opposition to Saturn ends.

Mercury, which has been in its three-times-per-year retrograde period, goes back to direct motion on June 22 and stays in direct motion all summer, as do Venus and Mars. We can be grateful for a season of steady forward predictable motion, moving from sign to sign. Even the Eclipse season has passed after the Solar Eclipse of June 10-11, and Rahu and Ketu will just have their ordinary influences on persons and the world. Those with planets or Lagna in Taurus and Scorpio will continue to experience changes from Rahu and Ketu transits all

through 2021.

Here are the details:

Late June Transits and Conjunctions

16 June – Sun enters Gemini

20 June – Jupiter stations and goes retrograde at 8 degrees Aquarius

22 June – Mercury goes direct at 22 degrees Taurus

23 June – Venus enters Cancer

24 June – Full Moon at 8 d 54 Sagittarius

24 June – Jupiter trine Sun at 8 Sagittarius/8 Aquarius

July Transits and Conjunctions

8 July – Mercury enters Gemini

Venus opposite Saturn. Pessimists need to work harder than usual now to feel sorry for themselves today.

10 July – New Moon at 23d24 Gemini

13 July – Venus conjunct Mars at 24d Cancer. They will be less than a degree apart and thus in "planetary war" - close enough that "conflict" between the two is likely. Various schools interpret the details differently, but all of us will benefit from not going into the rabbit hole of "Men are from Mars and women are from Venus" sort of arguments between the sexes on this day.

13 July – Jupiter makes a trine to Mercury in Gemini on this day. Talk it out!

17 July – Sun enters Cancer

18 July – Venus enters Leo

21 July – Mars enters Leo

22 July – Venus opposite Jupiter. Great day to express affection and celebrate something.

24 July – Full Moon at 6d55 Capricorn.

30 July – Mars opposite Jupiter

August Transits and Conjunctions

1 August - Mercury conjunct Sun at 14d Cancer

2-3 August - Sun and Mercury opposite Saturn 15-16 d Cancer/Capricorn

8 August - New Moon at 21d38 Cancer

9 August - Mercury enters Leo

12 August - Venus enters Virgo

17 August - Sun enters Leo, its own sign

20 August - Sun opposite Jupiter at 3d Leo/Aquarius.

22 August - Full Moon at 5d26 Aquarius

27 August - Mercury enters Virgo where it is in its own sign and also exalted

September Transits and Conjunctions

*6 September - Venus enters Libra its own sign
Mars enters Virgo*

7 September - New Moon at 19d59 Leo

15 September - Jupiter going retrograde goes back into Capricorn until November 21. It is important to remember this is a very brief period in the 12 year Jupiter cycle. If events in the world seem to be regressing, it is temporary.

17 September - Sun enters Virgo

20 September - Full Moon at 3d35 Pisces

21 September - Fall Equinox

24 September - Mercury enters Libra

