

# SOLAR RETURN

## A Solar Writer Report for Kylie Minogue



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# Kylie Minogue

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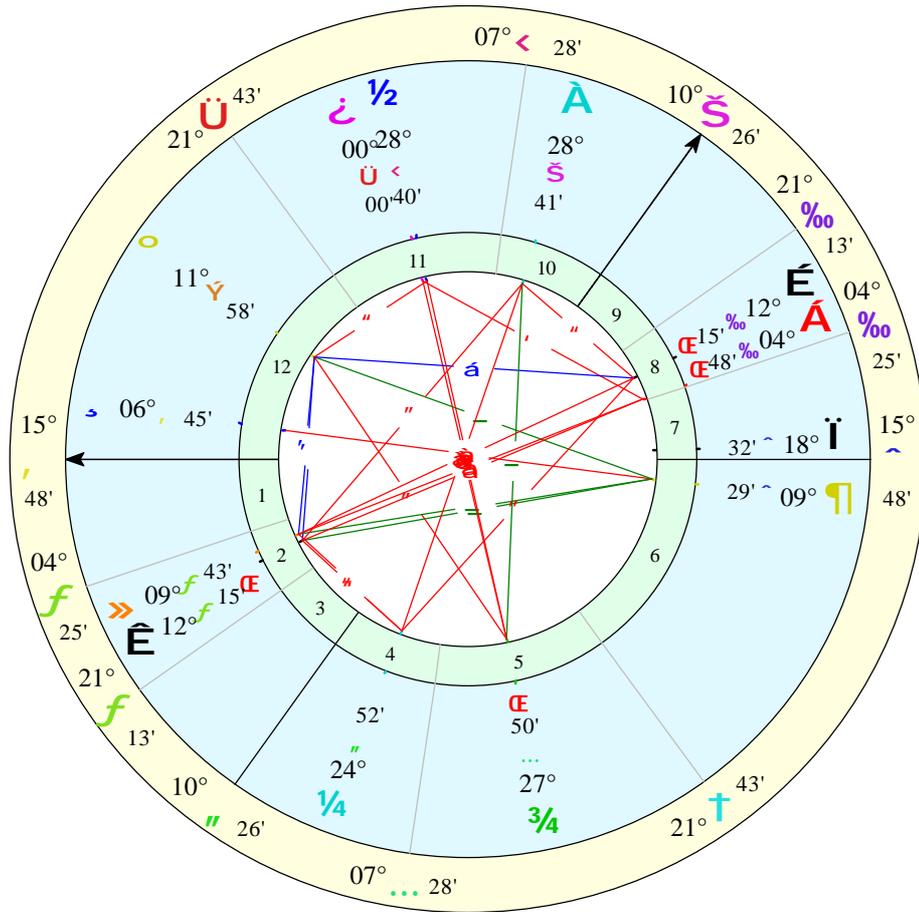
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## Astrological Summary

### Chart Point Positions: Kylie Minogue

Planet	Sign	Position	House	Comment
The Moon	Sagittarius	9°Sg29'	6th	
The Sun	Gemini	6°Ge45'	12th	
Mercury	Taurus	11°Ta58'	12th	
Venus	Cancer	9°Cn43'	2nd	
Mars	Leo	24°Le52'	4th	
Jupiter	Pisces	28°Pi40'	11th	
Saturn	Virgo	27°Vi50'	5th	
Uranus	Aries	0°Ar00'	11th	
Neptune	Aquarius	28°Aq41'	10th	
Pluto	Capricorn	4°Cp48'	8th	
The North Node	Capricorn	12°Cp15'	8th	
The South Node	Cancer	12°Cn15'	2nd	
The Part of Fortune	Sagittarius	18°Sg32'	7th	

## Chart Point Aspects

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
The Moon	Opposition	The Sun	2°43'	Separating
The Moon	Quincunx	Mercury	2°28'	Applying
The Moon	Quincunx	Venus	0°13'	Applying
The Moon	Quincunx	The South Node	2°46'	Applying
The Moon	Conjunction	The Part of Fortune	9°02'	Applying
Mercury	Sextile	Venus	2°15'	Applying
Mercury	Semisquare	Jupiter	1°42'	Applying
Mercury	Sesquisquare	Saturn	0°51'	Applying
Mercury	Trine	The North Node	0°17'	Applying
Mercury	Sextile	The South Node	0°17'	Applying
Venus	Semisquare	Mars	0°09'	Applying
Venus	Opposition	Pluto	4°54'	Separating
Venus	Opposition	The North Node	2°32'	Applying
Venus	Conjunction	The South Node	2°32'	Applying
Mars	Opposition	Neptune	3°49'	Applying
Mars	Sesquisquare	The North Node	2°23'	Applying
Mars	Semisquare	The South Node	2°23'	Applying
Jupiter	Opposition	Saturn	0°50'	Separating
Jupiter	Conjunction	Uranus	1°19'	Applying
Saturn	Opposition	Uranus	2°09'	Separating
Saturn	Quincunx	Neptune	0°51'	Separating
Uranus	Square	Pluto	4°48'	Applying
Neptune	Semisquare	The North Node	1°26'	Separating
Neptune	Sesquisquare	The South Node	1°26'	Separating
Pluto	Conjunction	The North Node	7°27'	Applying
Pluto	Opposition	The South Node	7°27'	Applying

## Introduction



*"Because time itself is like a spiral, something special happens on your birthday each year: The same energy that God invested in you at birth is present once again."*

-- Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson

Many people are familiar with their own astrological sign because Sun sign astrology is popular in today's culture. Taking this one step further extends the understanding of astrology from the Sun sign to other planets and aspects of astrology that interplay at the moment of birth. A chart is produced that astrologers can interpret. What you may not know is that astrologers can also calculate a chart for each of your birthdays, and these charts can predict the patterns that you might experience in the forthcoming year. This is because each year the Sun does a full revolution of the zodiac. Therefore each year the Sun returns to the exact position of your birth chart Sun. Wherever you are in the world we can calculate this birthday chart. This chart is called a Solar Return; hence the saying "many happy returns". This chart represents the opportunities and challenges of the forthcoming year. It should also be read in conjunction with your birth chart to fully understand the lessons and opportunities available to you in any given year.

When using these Solar Return interpretations, please bear in mind that, inevitably, every chart will contain some contradictory influences. As a result certain interpretations of different items in the same chart may seem difficult to reconcile. However, this may still be an accurate reflection of your chart, as it is likely that you do experience conflicting desires, events and circumstances in your life. Usually an astrologer will synthesise these apparent contradictions in order to present a cohesive and meaningful interpretation of the dilemmas of the chart.

Please also be aware of the fact that each person possesses both positive and negative influences in the chart, and therefore in their lives. The challenge is to accept and overcome the negative influences, so that we can successfully focus on manifesting the positive traits or qualities. This report outlines both influences, and therefore helps us to rise to the challenges during any given year. Any advice given is meant to be an aid the individual in taking

responsibility for his or her own life. Ultimately the decision rests with each individual.

## THIS YEAR'S MAJOR THEME



*"And in the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."*  
-- Abraham Lincoln, US 16th President

### *The Ascendant*

*The Ascendant indicates your primary focus of the year. It shows your main direction and how you are likely to go about achieving your goals. The Ascendant indicates whether you are more likely to be self-motivated, or whether you are more likely to rely on other people during this year.*

### *The Ascendant is in Gemini*

Your birthday chart Ascendant is in a masculine Air sign indicating that this year you are keen to express yourself more freely. While you are keen to consult other people, and perhaps even to involve them, you are also eager to seek the information that you need to achieve your own goals. You are more likely to consult an expert, study a course, research, socialize and network in order to discover what you need to know. You may actively seek new horizons. As a result you may be more busy than usual, striving for new interests as well as for a more independent lifestyle. You are not necessarily going it alone. In fact your social network may play a key role in helping you achieve your goals. Nevertheless your focus is on mixing with other people in a way that promotes your own interests. You may ask for other people's input, but you will make up your own mind. Other aspects of your birthday chart depict in more details in which areas these interests are likely to lie. Your focus may also be on new ideas and planning for the future, rather than on the past.

The intellectual sign of Gemini emphasizes your need for communication. Whether you have a shy or outgoing nature, this year supports a more extroverted approach. You are more able to step back from your emotions and make an intelligent assessment of all areas of your life. Emotional reactions are replaced with rational responses as you assess the different options facing you this year. Gemini is also one of the most curious signs of the Zodiac and so you are

likely to read, watch, observe, study, and perhaps listen more this year. You may also be keen to express yourself through teaching, public speaking, lecturing, acting, or writing. You may learn a new skill that increases your ability to connect with other people. For instance you may learn a foreign language, study astrology, tarot, palmistry or numerology, or discover new methods of connecting via the internet. Whether you realize it or not, language is likely to feature in your life this year. Perhaps you are teaching a child to speak, perhaps you are supervising a young person's spelling lessons or homework, or perhaps you are learning a new way of expressing yourself. You are keen to try new things, to adlib a little more rather than planning everything to the last detail. You are more dexterous right now. Even if you are not usually adaptable you are able to adapt more easily this year, perhaps juggling several interests at once. As you learn you make decisions that change your course. These changes could be slight adjustments in certain areas of your life, or you could find that your new insights lead to a major change in your life journey. Either way you are excited and eager to embrace new opportunities.

### *The Sun*

*The Sun is very important when interpreting a Solar Return chart given that the chart is based on the Sun. It indicates the major theme of the year depicting the area in which you would really like to shine. Parts of your life that have been seemingly unimportant in previous years can become very important once the Sun shines its light in a particular house of a Solar Return chart.*

### *The Sun is in the 12th House*

The major theme of this year is confinement, either self-imposed or imposed by circumstances. While you may be restrained in a physical sense, your spirit is likely to be uplifted. The more that you can transcend physical restrictions the more that you are likely to find this year rewarding. For instance this is the ideal time for spiritual retreat and renewal, for working in service to humanity or for intense study or a project that requires concentrated behind the scenes effort. In a woman's chart this can indicate pregnancy. Some of the structures in your life may have dissembled enabling you to contemplate your past, present and future. Your year is likely to be littered with opportunities for quiet contemplation, to work behind the scenes and to support other people. In other words this is not your time to shine in the sun, but rather to reflect in the shadows. It is an excellent year during which to lay the groundwork for a future project. For instance this year you could begin to write your memoirs in preparation for publication next year. Whatever your circumstances it is time to assimilate all that you have learnt before you move forward. Patience is a virtue. US President John Quincy Adams once said, "*patience and perseverance have a magical effect before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish.*" This could be your year's motto.

You may also be required to be of service to other people either those close to you or humanity in general. In particular you may spend time in an institution such as working in a library, or tending to the sick and needy in hospital. In spiritual terms this may feel like the dark night of the soul, but you are soon to experience spiritual enlightenment. This is a year to go with the flow, act with integrity and understand that your experiences are leading to an awakening in some area of your life.

### *4th House Cusp is in Leo*

The Sun also shines its rays on a different area of your annual chart when taking into account

rulerships, a system used by astrologers to link planets and signs. In your case your annual Sun is ruling the fourth house of your chart indicating that you are also focussed on matters of home and family. One of the main themes of your birthday year is centred on whether or not your house and living conditions are exactly how you would like them to be. Whether you live on your own or in a family, you are likely to consider changes around the home this year, with the possibility of moving to a different neighbourhood or perhaps a different country. Family members may come and go. The important factor is that you are making decisions regarding where you belong, as well as taking into account your family's needs.

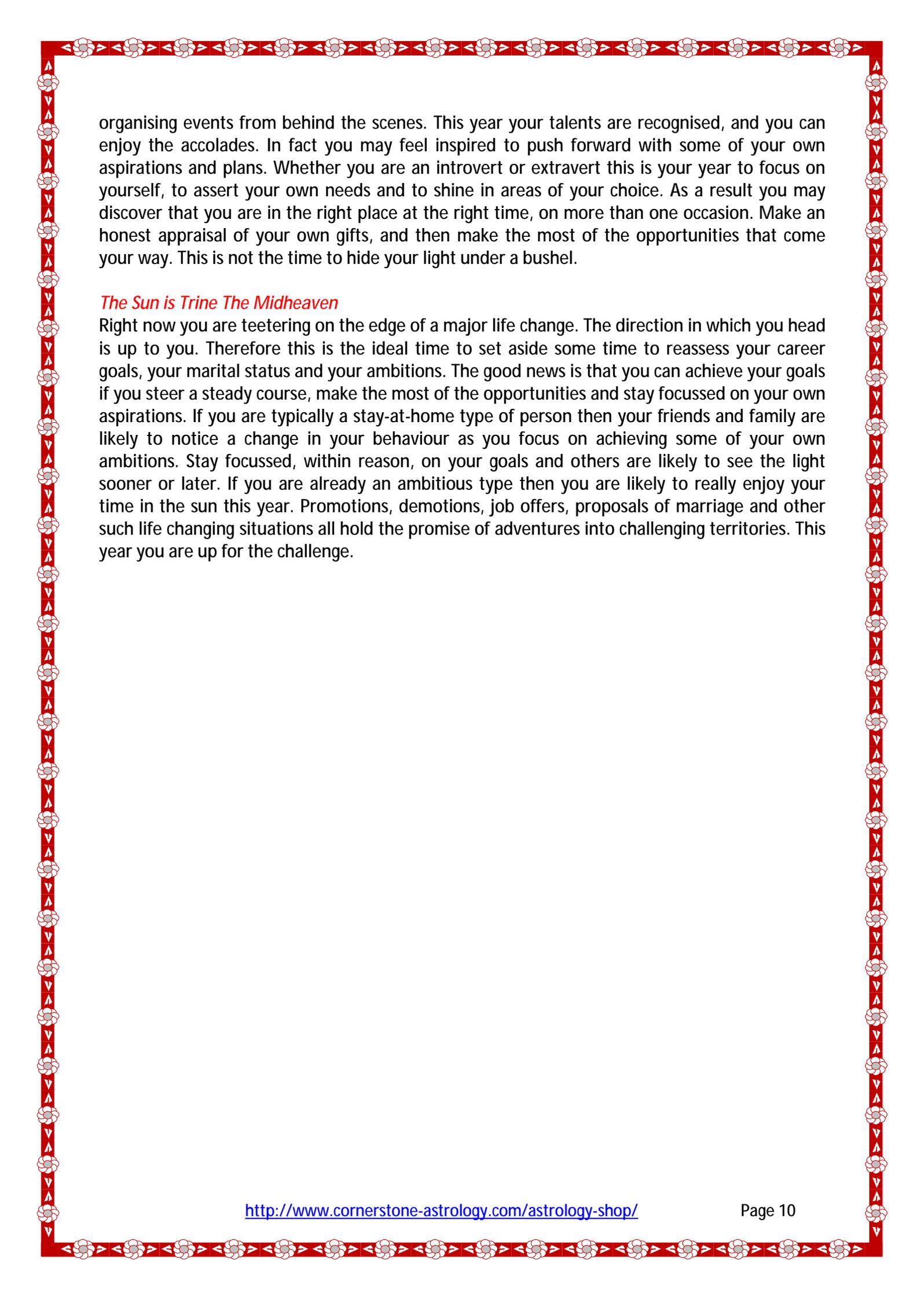
### *The Sun is Opposite The Moon*

One way or another this is a memorable year. One chapter of your life is closing and the next is about to begin. You may find the changes disconcerting, or downright troubling. However, you can be reassured that when you look back on this year in the future then you will be able to view the changes in a more positive light. Right now your feelings are more intense, and are threatening your peace and happiness. This is because you are being urged to move out of your comfort zone so that you can accept new challenges. The area of your life most affected by this is depicted in other areas of your birthday chart. However, you can be sure that your home and family are likely to be involved, whether you want them to be or not.

This is the year in which you need to face some emotional truths and make changes that enhance your health and happiness. In some cases your health may suffer if you don't make the necessary adjustments. It is important that you let go of unnecessary emotional burdens, particularly hurtful memories, abusive relationships, and unhealthy habits. This is your year for a healthy makeover on an emotional and physical level. If you don't address the people and the circumstances that are upsetting you or holding you back then you may miss chances to welcome new and exciting lifestyle changes. You may feel overburdened and depressed rather than safe and happy. Don't let your emotions rule your actions or thoughts. Understand that you are changing and that this can be a little unnerving. Eventually it can also be liberating. Right now it is important that you listen to your own heart and use your thoughts positively and build your strength. In some ways you may feel like you are under siege. If this is the case then prepare yourself as you would for battle. Make sure that you are as healthy as you can be, fortify your emotions with positive self-talk, and focus on your own values and beliefs to help you win the revolution. You are then likely to become more eager to embrace your new lifestyle and you start to recognize friends and foes. You see your life in a different light. Those who you thought were friendly may not be as supportive as you thought. You may find that some of your associates are subconsciously trying to hold you back. The changes that you are undergoing may threaten your loved ones, or spark jealousy. Others may simply love you to the best of their ability, not recognizing their own need to see you in a certain light. However, you may feel let down by your loved ones, held back and unsupported, however; you can find the emotional strength to rely on your own resources. It is up to you to become the leading man or lady in the story that is your life. As you move forward you discover renewed vitality, a sense of carrying a lighter load and a wondrous feeling that a whole new episode of your life is about to start with a clean slate.

### *The Sun is Conjunct The Ascendant*

You are likely to take centre stage in your own life this year. This is true even if you are the type of person who usually stays in the background, taking care of the needs of other people or



organising events from behind the scenes. This year your talents are recognised, and you can enjoy the accolades. In fact you may feel inspired to push forward with some of your own aspirations and plans. Whether you are an introvert or extravert this is your year to focus on yourself, to assert your own needs and to shine in areas of your choice. As a result you may discover that you are in the right place at the right time, on more than one occasion. Make an honest appraisal of your own gifts, and then make the most of the opportunities that come your way. This is not the time to hide your light under a bushel.

*The Sun is Trine The Midheaven*

Right now you are teetering on the edge of a major life change. The direction in which you head is up to you. Therefore this is the ideal time to set aside some time to reassess your career goals, your marital status and your ambitions. The good news is that you can achieve your goals if you steer a steady course, make the most of the opportunities and stay focussed on your own aspirations. If you are typically a stay-at-home type of person then your friends and family are likely to notice a change in your behaviour as you focus on achieving some of your own ambitions. Stay focussed, within reason, on your goals and others are likely to see the light sooner or later. If you are already an ambitious type then you are likely to really enjoy your time in the sun this year. Promotions, demotions, job offers, proposals of marriage and other such life changing situations all hold the promise of adventures into challenging territories. This year you are up for the challenge.

## THIS YEAR'S PERSONAL MATTERS



*"The greatest comfort of my old age, and that which gives me the highest satisfaction, is the pleasing remembrance of the many benefits and friendly offices I have done to others."*

-- Marcus Cato Roman Statesman

### *The Moon*

*The Moon is also an important indicator in a Solar Return chart. Generally speaking the Moon shows which areas of your life are likely to undergo change during the year. More specifically the Moon shows your personal needs. Your individual needs and urges are likely to trigger changes in your life during the course of the year.*

### *The Moon is in the 6th House*

It is time to focus on your health and well being, changing any bad habits in favour of life enhancing ones. The good news is that you are now motivated to make the necessary changes. You feel good about adopting a healthier lifestyle. This makes the adjustments so much easier to embrace. On the one hand it is possible that some physical warning signs have prompted you to seek medical advice. A series of tests highlight the areas that need attention and you take appropriate action. On the other hand you may already be living a healthy lifestyle and simply decide to make some slight adjustments. Whatever the scenario this is your year for giving up smoking, reducing your levels of sugar and/or fat, starting an exercise program, and making more time for leisure rather than work. The occasional walk on the beach or a random weekend away may be beneficial, but this alone is not going to cut it this year. You are being called on to change your habits on a daily basis, not just your physical habits but the underlying psychological problems that have led to your bad habits. In other words you need to slow down, reflect on what type of lifestyle is going to be most beneficial to your emotional well being. Ask yourself the question, "what is stressful in my life"? and then ask yourself, "why do I continue to impose these stressful conditions on myself and my loved ones"? Hopefully as you then address these questions you will hopefully reduce your emotional stress, and attend to your emotional needs. You can now embrace a more meaningful lifestyle, and then the physical symptoms that have been plaguing you are likely to dissipate. Meditation, yoga, gym classes, dance lessons, relaxing with loved ones at home are just a few of the ways in which you can slow down and enjoy your life more.

It is always possible that your lifestyle has been the opposite of fast-paced. Perhaps you have been comfortable for some time, and have felt in a bit of a rut. Once again this is the year during which you feel motivated to change. You may change jobs, re-arrange your working environment, become more involved with activities with your co-workers, or start a new work-training program. These changes are likely to be beneficial. The end result of the changes that you adopt this year, is that feel more energetic, optimistic, healthy and enlivened in your daily life.

### *The Moon is in Sagittarius*

The fiery sign of Sagittarius can work in two different ways when influencing the Moon in your chart. You may feel a strong urge to seek the meaning of life in an introverted manner through reading, contemplation, meditation and retreat. You yearn to reflect on your life and put it into context, so that you can then set goals for the future. As a result you may consult metaphysical practitioners such as tarot readers, palmists, astrologers, and numerologists. Your library may increase dramatically this year as you seek answers in literature, texts, or self-help books. You are on a quest for the meaning of your own personal life. Questions arise such as, why have I behaved in these ways in the past? Do these patterns of behaviour still serve me well? What can I change and how? You may also seek your answers through academic study. If you have always wanted to study in the halls of learning then this is the year in which you are likely to follow your urge and sign up for a course. The mutable sign of Sagittarius may also influence you in a more extraverted manner as you seek freedom and stimulation in exploring outside of your usual perimeters. You may travel overseas, seek promotion at work, or socialize with people from foreign countries. You are keen to learn your place in the world through sharing experiences with people outside your usual social circle. Whether you seek your answers in an introverted or extraverted manner, this is the year when you want to feel free and impassioned. Sports, religion, politics, law and other such subjects incite your interest. You are keen to explore all options. If your responsibilities are too restrictive then you may feel restless. You would be well advised to take short trips into wide-open spaces, attend a foreign film festival at your local cinema, or go to a boisterous sports game in order to satisfy your need to escape. This is your opportunity to discover and incorporate new and exciting elements into your personal life in a way that helps you feel more optimistic and to realize that your life is an adventure to be enjoyed as an independent person, as well as with your loved ones.

### *The Moon is Quincunx Mercury*

This year you have the right to change your mind as many times as you like. In fact you need to make some adjustments in the way that you feel think and feel, in particular in your opinions about your home and family. It is time to reassess your personal needs and to make new plans. If you are young then you may be reassessing your role in family life, forming your own opinions and preparing to separate from your family of origin. Although challenging this is a natural progression in life. If you are older, then you may be planning a family of your own, or perhaps you have adult children, and one of them is thinking about leaving home during the course of the year. If you have no immediate family you may feel drawn to move closer to your extended family. Whatever your stage in life the changes this year are part of a natural progression. Other adjustments can occur if you are changing your working life in a way that affects your home and family. For instance you may decide to apply for a job in a faraway location, or you want to work from home, or to retire. Whatever your particular life scenario, you need to remain flexible when it comes to home, business, contracts and children. You may

need to renovate your house, or move to a different house or location. If you remain adaptable in your personal life this year, then you are more likely to enjoy the changes rather than feeling cornered and fretful. Worry is not helpful. If you feel agitated, then you may benefit from talking to a professional counsellor or a friend who has been through a similar situation. Reading material could also be helpful.

### *The Moon is Quincunx Venus*

You can't please everyone all of the time, and so you had better decide what, or more specifically who, is most important to you and then let go of the rest. Your passions are aroused this year and before pursuing your newfound pleasure you need to make some adjustments in your personal life. Right now you need to focus on what you really need in your relationships with your friends and family. If you are single then you also need to do a little soul-searching about what type of person really makes you feel loved and supported. You may meet someone new, someone who excites you and in some ways turns your world upside down. You are drawn to this new person but you are aware that some things need to change before you can fully explore a relationship. If you are already in a committed relationship, then you may realize that your personal needs have changed and that you need to communicate these changes to your partner. Your personal life, perhaps your home, needs to also change. You need to stop dwelling on the past, let go of the things that you can't change and accept the others. This helps you move forward in your private life, and enables you to make the most of any new love that comes your way. You may also need to make a few alterations to your financial budget, so that you can make the most of your income and investments this year.

### *The Moon is Opposite The Ascendant*

During this year you are likely to seek emotional satisfaction through a significant partnership. If you are living a solitary life then you are likely to feel an urge to find a mate, someone with whom you can share a satisfying union. If you are already married, then you turn your attention to the level of comfort and mutual support that you currently experience within your partnership. If you have been feeling a degree of dissatisfaction with the manner in which you, or your partner, has been relating then you are likely to open up the lines of communication. You are ready to seek more contentment within your marriage. Likewise your spouse may be asking for you to make some changes to ensure an easier relationship. If you are already enjoying an affectionate and mutually supportive partnership, you can now relax and bask in the warmth.

### *The Moon is Sextile The Midheaven*

The time is ripe to reassess your career ambitions in the light of your emotional needs. In other words do you still enjoy your work? Are you on the right career path? Do you find meaning and purpose in your work, or are you striving for professional goals that are no longer satisfying? If the answers to these questions are not satisfactory, then you need to make some adjustments in your professional life. This is also true for your marital status. If you are happily living a solitary lifestyle then you may focus on your career rather than your marriage. However, this is a year during which your marital status can change. If you are single then you may meet someone and make a public commitment during the course of the year. If you are attached then you may feel the need to take part in a public ceremony that affirms your bond. If you are already married then you may seek changes in your partnership, ones that provide more emotional satisfaction.

### *Venus*

*The planet Venus sheds light on the personal areas of love and finance in the forthcoming year. This planet of love tells you whether or not personal relationships are likely to be prominent during the year. If you are single then are you likely to attract a significant relationship? If you are married is this a year of romance and fun, or perhaps one in which you tackle a few changes.*

### *Venus is in the 2nd House*

The Gods are smiling on you when it comes to money and material possessions. Right now you are able to attract just what you need, whether it is the money to buy things that you value, or gifts in the form of things that you need. It is possible that your values are changing around money and possessions and that you, in fact, have less than you usually do. However, unless there are other stressors in your annual chart, you don't mind. You are happy to spend less, because you have gained something more pleasurable, something that boosts your self-esteem, or more time to do the things that you love. It is even possible that someone close to you is helping you financially, supporting you while you follow your heart's desire. Even if you have resigned or retired from work you are likely enjoy income from your savings, or other sources. It is your personal resources and self-belief that is boosted this year. Often this does coincide with increased income, however, not always. Either way you trust that you have enough personal resources. This year you can balance your budget and ensure that you are sensible while also having enough income to spend on pleasure trips, beautiful objects, visits to artistic events or someone you love. This is also the ideal year to save your money for something truly meaningful. Perhaps you would like to travel overseas one day, or you are planning a wedding, or perhaps a prized possession has caught your eye. This is your year to put money aside for something or someone truly valuable. Basically this is a favourable year for your personal finances, so make the most of your opportunities.

### *Venus is in Cancer*

The planet of love is in a Water sign this year indicating that you seek sensitivity and understanding in love. You are more likely to be focused on caring and sharing rather than material matters. Feelings are important right now. If you are single and looking for a lover, then you yearn for someone who is simpatico, sharing or supporting your passions. You are well advised to avoid anyone who expresses harsh words. If you are attached, then you enjoy relaxing with your loved one in beautiful natural surroundings, at artistic or inspirational events, or perhaps even on a spiritual retreat. The key is for you to feel emotionally safe and in tune with your partner. Look at other aspects of your annual chart for more details on your love life and money matters.

### *Venus is Semisquare Mars*

Right now you and your partner are out of step. It is time to reassess your roles. Whereas once you may have worked as a team, helping each other to achieve your goals, now you are not in sync. Events or decisions from the past need to be reassessed in the light of the current day circumstances. Conflicts that arise need to be resolved. This is particularly true when it comes to money matters, and the resources of the partnership. Deals that were struck in the past need to be re-negotiated calmly. This is true for business and personal partnerships. If you are single then you may need to reassess your relationship goals, your financial situation and your

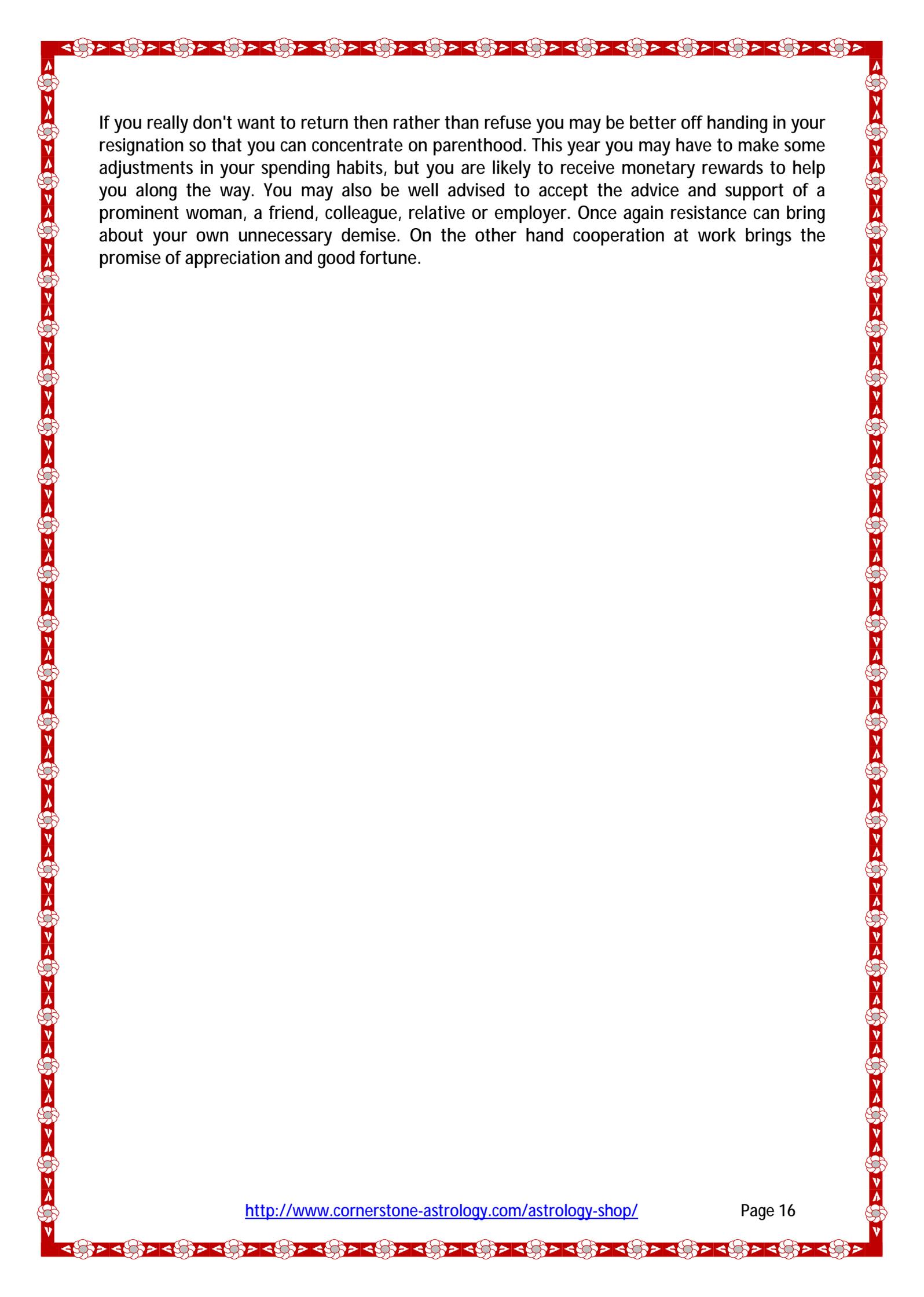
ability to be independent. No matter what happens this year, you would like to feel that you have someone on your side, and vice versa. However, something or someone is standing in your path, or perhaps you are not being honest. It is possible that your own values have changed, leading to a change of heart about an important matter. If you or your partner is particularly irritable then this is a good indication that it is time to “fess up” and broker a new deal, so to speak. You may be required to compromise, but once you have cleared the air then you are likely to re-ignite the passion and both of you can move forward in your respective journeys, either as a team or independently. Either way you are likely to discover that the risk is worth it.

### *Venus is Opposite Pluto*

You are about to make some profound discoveries and changes when it comes to love and money. Over the course of the year you are likely to become more and more focussed on everyday patterns, how the minutiae reflect the larger issues at hand. The psychological side of relationships is highlighted. If you are living a solitary lifestyle then you become increasingly aware of your own needs for independence versus dependence, and how these affect your desire, or not, to be in a close and intimate relationship. The time may have come to change the way that you approach and interact in intimate unions, or to accept that you are happier in your own company. Either way a deep psychological change occurs in your psyche, which in turn affects your prospects for marriage. If you are in a relationship, then you are likely to become increasingly aware of the interactions, the nature of sharing within the relationship, and whether or not your own needs are being met. This can be an intense process, even if you are in a loving and supportive union. Little things can take on larger than life proportions right now, and you need to do a little soul-searching to find their origins, to gain insights into the true nature of your interactions and then to change what needs to be changed. This is particularly true when it comes to money matters. You are likely to change the way in which you and your partner handle your finances, even if this involves a few arguments. You are prepared to battle to change the balance in your marriage, if you have to, but should also consider alternative methods of asserting yourself. Your insights may be correct, and your relationship needs are likely to be valid, but a battleground is unlikely to serve anyone. Your need to change the way in which money is handled in your marriage could be as a result of a change of circumstances, or because you have made a profound decision in your own life. Your spouse may not realise just how much the little everyday things are affecting your attitude to love and money right now. Therefore you would be well advised to keep the lines of communication open right now. The more that you can express your deepest feelings and desires, the more satisfying your love union becomes. As a result the changes that take place can bring you closer to your loved one, and no matter what serious issues arrive they can be dealt with together.

### *Venus is Quincunx The Midheaven*

Right now you need to make some adjustments in your career expectations. The most likely cause of this is a happy event such as a marriage, re-location, or the birth of a child. This year you need to let go of one job, career path or life direction and adjust to a new one. There are likely to be many blessings that accompany this change of direction, if you are happy to accept the changes that are occurring. If you resist and try to control events then you are likely to be forced to make the changes, and not ones of your own choosing. For instance if you take leave from work for the birth of a baby, then you are well advised to return to work when requested.



If you really don't want to return then rather than refuse you may be better off handing in your resignation so that you can concentrate on parenthood. This year you may have to make some adjustments in your spending habits, but you are likely to receive monetary rewards to help you along the way. You may also be well advised to accept the advice and support of a prominent woman, a friend, colleague, relative or employer. Once again resistance can bring about your own unnecessary demise. On the other hand cooperation at work brings the promise of appreciation and good fortune.

## THIS YEAR'S CHALLENGES



*"If we could be twice young and twice old we could correct all our mistakes."*  
-- Euripides Ancient Greek Playwright

### **Mars**

*The planet Mars tells you about your assertion and drive for the year. It depicts what motivates you in the current year, and what desires drive you most powerfully. Are you ambitious for professional power, or do you desire a meaningful relationship? Are you likely to be highly motivated, or perhaps ready to sit back and cruise for a while? These are the types of questions answered by the qualities of the planet Mars in your birthday chart.*

### **Mars is in the 4th House**

If you were hoping to nestle into a tranquil and settled home this year, then you are likely to be disappointed. Of course, you may have moments of peace and quiet, however; it is more likely that your household resembles a hustling and bustling metropolis right now. People come and go. Friends and family pop in for a cuppa, or visit for a few days, or more in or out for extended periods. It may be your year to host one or more big family events. Your home is likely to require attention, with heating appliances going on the blink and tradesmen are required. You may decide to renovate on a large scale, enjoying the challenge of the alterations. You may even be forced to change homes this year, moving from one location to another because of changes in your home environment, or the actions of a family member. If you enjoy an action-packed home environment, then you revel in it this year. However, if you prefer a more tranquil setting then you are likely to feel tense at times. If you are not careful you may start to battle with family members, battling for supremacy in the pecking order. Confrontations with family members are unlikely to benefit anyone, and may even alienate those who you need the most. You need allies, not enemies. Try to re-direct your feelings of resentment, into more positive channels. You may benefit from a robust round of garden work, setting up a home gym or taking martial arts lessons. Alternatively you could always opt for the old adage, "if you can't beat them, join them" and have some fun.

### *Mars is Opposite Neptune*

You are travelling along the road and you see a sign that says road works. You know the road rules and you slow down, knowing that others' safety and your own well being depend on it. So why is it so difficult to do the same thing when your life requires the same action. The challenge for you this year is to take notice of the signs of whether or not you are on the right path, to slow down when necessary and to take a different road if required. Others may question your motivation, but you need to take note of your own heart and mind. It is time to follow your intuition and to ensure that your actions have meaning. Otherwise you could lose your sense of purpose, feel redundant and have decisions made for you. It is much preferable for you to calmly take the initiative. This is an excellent year to pursue humanitarian or artistic project. You may not benefit financially, but you are likely to find the work rewarding, particularly if you work behind the scenes rather than seeking the limelight. This is your year for service to others, rather than self-seeking behaviour. You need to strive for emotional satisfaction and creative merit, rather than material gains. It is possible that you are at the mercy of the whims of someone else this year. If this is the case then your life may change direction as a result of his or her creative endeavours. Of course, you do not have to be the sacrificial lamb at the altar of their desires. You can pursue your own dreams, but you may have to be prepared to assert yourself gently and firmly. Your compassion for others is likely to be aroused now, and therefore you are a soft target for con artists, pedlars and fundraisers. You need to refrain from making financial contributions or decisions that deplete your resources. Donations of time and money certainly have merit but your powers of discrimination are not strong, so wait until after your next birthday before investing large amounts of money. Likewise you can volunteer your time, but make sure that you are not depleting your own energy levels.

### *Uranus*

*The planet Uranus is one of disclosure. It reveals the areas that you need to change during the course of your birthday year. If you are the type of person who anticipates and embraces new experiences then you are likely to delight in the challenges, and instigate a few of your own in the area highlighted by this unpredictable planet. If you tend to prevaricate, preferring the comfort on known situations, then you are likely to be in for a few surprises. This erratic planet does not recognise safety and security. Its task is to help you to grow beyond your limitations. You can either accept or resist the challenge and see what happens as a result.*

### *Uranus is in the 11th House*

When the planet of change sits in the friendship sector of your annual chart then the obvious meaning is that your social circle is altering. Perhaps an event in your life, such as a new relationship or relocation, has triggered this shift in your social life. If this is the case then you may encounter some resistance from your old contacts, however; you are sure to recognise true friends as the ones who support your decisions, accepting your right to make independent decisions. It is also possible that you have changed your interests and old friends are no longer in frequent contact. You may also be interested in joining a new and creative group this year. For instance you may begin astrology classes, or join an environmental association, or an inventors club. This is your opportunity to ensure that you have a social life that upholds you in an authentic way. It is time to strip any social facades and live your life surrounded by like-minded individuals who value the real you. This also enables you to re-evaluate your hopes, dreams and wishes. Dreams are important motivators in life. If you are unsure of yours then

have some fun exploring different options. You don't have to commit yourself. Dabble by joining a series of classes, groups or clubs. Travel to a theme park and stimulate your dreams. Dreams do come true, but you need to explore your options rather than opting for the status quo. There is a difference between enjoying times on your own, and being lonely. It is time for you to delight in your own company, to attract fun and supportive friends, and to dream the impossible dreams.

### **Pluto**

*Peace can be deceptive. True peace comes when life is balanced, when you are living true to yourself and are sincerely happy with your life choices. You respect other people and assert your own needs and wishes, and live your life with integrity. Sometimes it appears that your life is peaceful, but you are really just sweeping things under the proverbial carpet, keeping the peace by swallowing your own needs or biding your time until events or people force you to make the necessary changes. You can be assured that the powerful planet Pluto will shine a bright light in one or more areas of your birthday chart and you will see your own process very clearly. If you are living your life true to yourself then you are likely to reap benefits from this planet of transformation. However, if you have been dodging the truth then events or people are likely to change.*

### **Pluto is in the 8th House**

The powerful planet Pluto is highlighted in the area of investments and joint resources. Any investment that you have is likely to be challenged this year. On a positive note it is possible that long term financial or property investments pay dividends this year. Business ventures may bring good fortune. You may even inherit a large amount of money. The extent to which you reap the benefits of joint resources depends largely on how you have been handling your involvement with other people and money. If you have been acting with integrity then you are more likely to reap rewards. It is also possible that you have been saving for something of great value and now you finally have the resources to purchase. Perhaps you invest in a house, car, business or even an overseas trip. It is more likely that any overseas travel would be as a result of a business investment or a life or death matter. For instance perhaps you are keen to visit an aging parent, or grandparent. If you have been trying to cut corners in your investments or business ventures then this is the year when you are discovered, and pay the consequences. Tax assessments and audits could occur this year.

The planet Pluto has an uncanny ability to strip self-deceit and force us to face the truth. You are being challenged to see the truth about money and investments, and in some cases sexuality. Any way in which you share resources with another person comes under scrutiny. If you are single then you may instigate changes that challenge the way in which you handle your finances. You no longer have just yourself to consider, but rather you need to take into account someone else's monetary situation. This could have advantages, or perhaps be a challenge. If you are already married then any shared finances with your spouse are likely to change. It is also possible that a separation or divorce may trigger a change in your financial outlook. Whatever the scenario in your life, it is best not to resist the strong force of these changes. Resisting is likely to create tension, which ultimately may break the bank, so to speak. You would be better advised to reflect on new possibilities and work co-operatively to increase your wealth. Be wary of investing large amounts of money in untested schemes. If you take a risk you may be in danger of losing. Test any investment schemes, business ventures or potential

markets thoroughly before going ahead. You may benefit from consulting a trusted financial advisor.

Matters of power are also likely to be prominent right now in the area of joint finances. What does this mean? One dictionary describes "power" as, *"the ability or official capacity to exercise control; authority - a person, group, or nation having great influence or control over others - forcefulness; effectiveness."* In other words make sure that any financial investments or business matters are being dealt with in a co-operative rather than a forceful manner. Force is likely to alienate others and does not serve you well in the long run. If you are in business make sure that you honour any contracts, pay all employees and run your business within the confines of the law.

## THIS YEAR'S LESSONS



*"Our birthdays are feathers in the broad wing of time."*  
-- Jean Paul Richter German Writer

### *Mercury*

*The planet Mercury helps you plan your year ahead. The Messenger of the Gods in a Solar Return chart indicates whether or not you are encouraged to forge ahead with your plans, or perhaps better advised to wait another year before moving ahead. This is particularly true for any area of your life connected with communications, study, business and transport.*

### *Mercury is in the 12th House*

There are undercurrents in your life right now that you may not be aware of. Depending on other aspects of your astrology these may come to light during the year. They can be connected to your home life, work, or hobbies. Someone or something is not as it seems, not acting in your best interests. Your lesson is to keep your thoughts to yourself and act with integrity in all areas of your life. If you do not know it already, then your lesson is to realize that you cannot control other people's behaviour. Contemplation is the key. Go with the flow for your own peace of mind. Think of swimmers who get caught by an undertow. The experts advise them to relax and go with the current rather than try to swim against it and fight it. The advice is the same for you during this year. Change what you can, and let go of the rest. If you speak up now you may say the wrong thing, so silence is your friend. Of course, you don't want to keep quiet at the expense of your own mental health, but you are advised to think carefully before expressing your thoughts, particularly if they are negative. It is time to take a back seat, specifically if you are have been busy and mentally overloaded. If you continue to push yourself, then you are likely to become tense, perhaps even distressed, and alienate others. Solitude can be healing this year. On a positive note this is the ideal year for rest and relaxation and pursuing activities that promote tranquillity. Yoga, meditation, tai chi and other such practices are beneficial. You can also benefit from focusing on an imaginative or philanthropic project. If you have always longed to write your memoirs, an epic novel or a symphony then this is your year. Likewise if you have longed to go on a remote retreat, start making plans. This is your year for seclusion, recuperation and restoration.

### *Mercury is in Taurus*

This is a year of commitment. You are likely to commit to a plan of action, or make a promise to

another person. You have the mental discipline to carry through on your promises. Others are likely to notice your responsible attitude and your reputation benefits. You deservedly gain their respect by doing your duty. Your responsibilities may increase during the course of the year as you are entrusted with more tasks connected with speaking, negotiating or writing. You know when to speak and when to remain silent. You choose your words more carefully than usual. The sensible earth sign in which the planet of Mercury resides also indicates a degree of stubborn thinking. You need to make sure that you are not too set in your thoughts, and that you remain open to new ideas. You excel in any situation that requires common sense and logic, but reason does not always apply. Your strength this year is in being able to apply mental discipline to activities such as accounting, computer encoding, intricate craftwork, and other such areas. Your thoughts, and consequently choice of activities, are likely to be more practical than altruistic right now. Your lesson may be to see the value in the arts, and to note that human beings are not often logical. You need to make sure that you are able to offer calm reassurance in tricky situations, rather than a superior rational approach to communications. Nevertheless your application skills are excellent, and you have the ability to methodically master any tasks that are set, and to communicate patiently and wisely to friends, family and associates.

### *Mercury is Sextile Venus*

In many ways this is a good news year. Even if you are facing some challenges you have the self-confidence and the support to rise above your difficulties, make plans and decisions that are in your best interest. Ask and you shall receive. Your friend, family and colleagues are likely to help you this year. As you make improvements in your lifestyle, decisions that change your course, you discover that offers of love, support and even money may come your way. You need only decide what you most desire and then announce your plans, and the rest follows. It is time to make your fortune. All may not turn out exactly as you had planned, but you can trust that the results will be to your liking. For instance you lose your job only to be offered an exciting opportunity with even better conditions and financial remuneration. You may be unmarried, planning your life as a single person. You are fully prepared to go solo, and then you meet someone and strike up a romance. Life as you know it changes, but for the better as you incorporate your lover into your life. Romance is a distinct possibility for singles this year, and you may fall in love and make a commitment before the year is out. You may also receive a financial gift. "Fortune favours the brave", as the saying goes, so don't hesitate to make the most of the opportunities that spark your passion.

### *Mercury is Semisquare Jupiter*

On the whole you are ready to learn new skills, try new ventures and make new social contacts. In fact someone or something exciting is likely to appear in your life this year. You have many ideas and goals, but perhaps you've so many that you're not sure which ones to follow. Your intentions are good, but you lack the discipline to accomplish your goals. If you are not careful you will speak before you think, exaggerating the truth and making promises that you can't keep. As a result your credibility is generally low, and your personal and professional reputation may suffer. You are over-confident, perhaps arrogant and this is unlikely to help you achieve your goals. Luckily this is a year in which you learn from your mistakes, and are able to talk your way out of most sticky situations. You are popular, and the good news is that you are growing older and wiser with each passing day. This year you can overcome your obstacles, and achieve your goals, and perhaps even teach, preach or write about your lessons.

### *Mercury is Sesquisquare Saturn*

The decisions that you make now have long term consequences. For this reason you are more serious than usual, reflecting on past mistakes and making careful plans. Your lesson is to avoid dwelling too much on the past, otherwise you may become despondent, more focused on looking backwards rather than planning the present and the future. Hindsight is a wonderful thing, and you need to remember that right now you have the wisdom of hindsight. Use this wisdom to make decisions now. You are focused on duty, and may have a heavy workload at home or at work, or perhaps both. You may be responsible for young children, your own or other people's. Your responsibilities may weigh heavily on your shoulders. If this is the case you may benefit by drawing up a schedule and a budget, and making sure that you plan a little rest and relaxation. If you cannot afford the time or money to take a long holiday, then plan short breaks, even if you stay at home. This helps lighten the load. Your tendency to view events and people seriously can be a bit onerous this year, both for yourself and other people. You may be more pessimistic and obsessive than you realize. This is why it is vital that you make time for recreation, and keep a positive outlook. If you notice any signs of mental fatigue, then you may benefit from speaking to a mentor, or counsellor. You may enjoy concentrating on a project that requires concerted mental effort. This may take your mind off other serious matters. You can research, deliberate and present the results in a judicious manner. Your time-management skills are excellent. Once again you need to ensure that your attitude is optimistic. Guilt, worry, self-blame, and self-criticism are to be avoided at all costs. You need to ensure that you are not the scapegoat for other people's problems that you face up to your responsibilities but that you also adopt a mind-set that encourages compassion, kindness and love.

### *Jupiter*

*The planet Jupiter tells you about the opportunities and benefits that arise during the course of the year. Good news, new prospects and a sense of well being are associated with this beneficial planet.*

### *Jupiter is in the 11th House*

There's a popular song that has a line "I'll get by with a little help from my friends", and this could be your theme song this year. You've the ability to attract many true and fortunate friends this year, some who hold prominent positions in society. Your friends do their best to support you emotionally, and perhaps even financially, so that you can achieve your life goals. This is fortunate because you've high hopes of achieving success in your life. You're popular amongst your friends, a real social success, and the resulting benefits are considerable. You also like to belong to groups of like-minded people, and these associations can also prove beneficial. Whether you realise it or not, your optimism and cheerfulness are an inspiration to your friends, and they too can benefit from their association with you. It is possible that you enjoy an adventure or two with your friends this year, venturing in to new places, activities and situations. Social clubs, support groups, schools, and community organizations may appeal to you, expanding your horizons in ways you hadn't thought possible. This is your chance to explore your hopes, dreams and wishes, and surround yourself with associates who support your dreams.

### *Jupiter is Opposite Saturn*

This year you are likely to make some changes so that you can succeed in achieving your life

goals, but first you may have to learn to balance different aspects of your personality or life. You may need to re-structure some of your activities, or make some tough decisions. Generally speaking your judgement may be a little out of kilter this year. You are a poor judge of when to take action and when to wait patiently. As a result you need to be wary of making decisions that burn bridges, and, if possible, to steer clear of lawsuits. On a positive note when you start to blend the two opposing forces you're capable of great things. You can enjoy success in self-employment or be a valued member of a team, particularly in the business world. You are also gaining invaluable experience as you learn how to structure aspects of your life differently.

### **Saturn**

*Timing is an important aspect of life. People often comment on being in the right place at the right time. The planet Saturn can support us when it comes to timing. Is the time right to take up a new venture, or would we be better advised to shoulder our current responsibilities for a little longer? These are the types of questions that the nature of the planet Saturn can reveal when reading a Solar Return chart.*

### **Saturn is in the 5th House**

This is a year of serious fun. This does not mean that you are going to have lots of fun, but rather that your playtime is limited by or to work. Perhaps your work load is so heavy that you have to cancel holiday plans, limit celebrations and social occasions and squeeze in a little play every now and then. Alternatively perhaps your sense of fun comes from a satisfying work project this year. You may play and work with children, or you may take on responsibilities in a creative or artistic field. It is also possible that a decision to have a child of your own requires some extra planning and work, in preparation. However, you may also discover that when you try to plan some rest and recreation right now it turns into extra responsibilities. For instance, if you have been training at a gym in your spare time, you are asked to become a trainer rather than a participant of the classes. You start a craft class only to discover that the teacher calls in ill and you are put in charge. Your lesson this year is to focus on incorporating more creativity into your daily life, and your work environment. As a result you are likely to be focused on a child or creative project that takes up most of your spare time. If you have always wanted to start a creative work project then this is your year. You can focus on an artistic, writing or speculative project even if it demands most of your time, has a stop-start process or presents a challenge because you have to work during the day and write at night. Alternatively you can audition for a leading role on stage, one that requires extra physical skills and therefore training in something such as singing and tap dancing. This year your artistic or speculative projects are unlikely to yield short term results. You need to seek long term benefits, those that come through application and work. Obstacles may present themselves, but you have the ability to find creative solutions, as long as you don't try to take short cuts. Self-discipline combined with self-belief can take you a long way towards having some serious fun.

## THIS YEAR'S JOURNEY



*"Sow a thought, and you reap an act;/ Sow an act, and you reap a habit;/ Sow a habit, and you reap a character;/ Sow a character, and you reap a destiny."*

-- Charles Reader Modern Author

### **Neptune**

*The planet Neptune represents all that is ethereal in our world, and challenges us to develop qualities such as faith, hope and love even in the face of adversity. Under the influence of Neptune we can soar to great inspirational heights, however; if we are not careful then we can also sink into despair and disillusionment. The test is to look beyond the superficial and find meaning in our lives. The planet Neptune in our annual chart can indicate where to look.*

### **Neptune is in the 10th House**

If ambition, financial security and hard work have been the primary motivating forces in your profession then this is about to change. This is the year in which you start to look beyond the mundane and ask yourself if there is more to life than your current work. You seek more meaning in life, and particularly in your public life. It is time to question whether or not your current job really reflects your true passion. If it does then you are unlikely to make any dramatic changes to your career, or life direction. Your work may change in subtle ways, as you spend less hours at the office, or incorporate more creative or philanthropic approaches in certain areas. It is the ideal year in which to introduce a vision or mission statement into your work place, and perhaps become more benevolent or creative in your own role. You may take a temporary or permanent break making the most of long service leave, retirement, or some such scheme that enables you to slow down, recharge your batteries and return to your current work place with a new lease on life. It is always possible that you are unsure about your career right now. You may be vaguely aware of some dissatisfaction but are unable to ascertain the cause of your unrest. This also hold true for any volunteer line of work, or public office role. If you are weary without knowing why, then it is likely that you are resisting the changes that need to occur this year. Try to take note of the symbols and meaning that are like signposts on your life's journey. You may be trying to swim against the tide, without realising why everything feels like such an effort. What would happen if you simply stopped and took time out? Would everything fall apart? If the answer is "yes" then you need to rethink why you are struggling to

hold it all together. If the answer is “no” then perhaps you could indulge in a little rest and relaxation. A new perspective may energise you, and hence help you make better career decisions. You may decide that you need to change your job or career. For instance you may work in a practical job that has always proved satisfying to date, but now you find yourself dreaming of a more artistic or spiritual role. This year you can explore your opportunities and either start a course of study, or apply for a different line of work, depending on your skills. Your marital status may be playing on your mind this year. If you are living a solitary life then you may gradually come to terms with your single status, even though you ultimately yearn to join someone in holy matrimony. Perhaps you are involved with someone special but you are waiting for the right time, aware that your beloved is not quite ready for various reasons. Trust your intuition. Perhaps you are already married and your partner's career prospects are unclear, and are affecting your ability to fully settle into your own work role, or make career decisions. The opportunity that lies waiting for you this year, is the chance to slow down and really reflect on your life direction. You have the luxury of time, although you may not consider it a luxury if you are a security conscious person. You may feel quite insecure and unsure. Therefore you need to seek solace from a higher source. If you believe in God then pray for guidance on your career decisions. If you have different belief systems then utilise your spiritual knowledge, teachers, priests, or priestesses to help you discern your calling. A fear of abandonment can arise in all of us, but you are now being called to follow a more spiritual direction. As you revise your current professional or marital status and it changes, either through your own or other people's decisions, you can be sure that another more fulfilling option will emerge.

### ***The North Node***

*The Nodes highlight the areas of your year that are destined to occur no matter what you do. When you look back on your life you can see moments when the coincidences just seemed too uncanny - a chance meeting, a phone call out of the blue or an instant of being in the right place at the right time. The Nodes can give hints of which areas of your life are attracting the Fates attention right now.*

### ***The North Node is Trine Mercury***

Glad tidings of joy! This is a good year for making changes because you can be sure that as you close one door then another swings open so fast you have to look twice. This is your good news year. You are fated to receive good news, to have a welcome reception whenever you make a turn, and to move forward with your plans. This is particularly true if you have done your homework. The number of young people, who play a role in your life, or vice versa, may also surprise you. You are destined to influence, or be influenced by, certain youngsters. You are likely to notice that there is a sense that your role in these people's lives is meant to be. This is a great year to advance your communication, writing, acting, clowning, merchant, sales and marketing skills, just to mention a few.

### ***The North Node is Opposite Venus***

You have a date with destiny when it comes to love. “The path to true love is not smooth” or so the saying goes. This is true for you right now. You need to let go of an old love, or a significant female influence, in order to pave the way for a new one to truly blossom. This does not necessarily mean that your current love is going to end, but rather than you need to really open your heart for love. If you have been holding on to someone else in your heart, someone from

the past then you are destined to lay this love to rest, and move on. If your current love is not your heart's desire then you may need to say goodbye. The point is that the time for excuses is over. In this way you have a date with destiny. You need to be ready to meet someone new, or to truly open your heart to your current love. Once you are ready then the obstacles magically disappear and you may meet a special someone, or you may marry your current love. If you are already married, then perhaps you renew your vows or seal your profound love with a special ceremony, holiday or celebration.

### *The North Node is Sesquiquare Mars*

You are destined to change direction this year. You are being called on to reassess your goals in the light of your true purpose. If you are on the right path generally then you are likely to make a few slight adjustments, but if you are way off track then you may find yourself making some dramatic differences. You may encounter some obstacles along the path, however; you need to stand firm knowing that you are heading in the right direction. You can take responsibility for your own actions, while moving away from anyone or anything that threatens to block you. You are on your own journey and are not required to live anyone's life but your own. Therefore you may face some tough decisions, but you have destiny on your side.

### *The North Node is Semisquare Neptune*

Life is a bit of a magical, mystery tour for you this year, taking you out of your usual routine and into unknown realms. This can be exciting if you have been bored, stuck in a rut. Alternatively, you may be a little disoriented. It is possible that you have fallen in love with a person or a project, but you are unsure of where it is heading. If this is the case, then you need to make sure that you don't lose your own sense of direction. You need to focus as much as possible on your intuition, your faith in the highest good and your knowledge of the spiritual laws. In short listen to your heart. In fact you may be presented with an opportunity to join a spiritual or artistic group that subtly changes the course of your life. This can be a healing, and soothing time, if you go with the flow rather than try to control the situation. Destiny will deal its hands no matter how much you try to interfere, so sit back and enjoy the ride.

### *The North Node is Conjunct Pluto*

Your life changes in profound ways as it is time to cast off old ways of life and embrace new ones. New friendships, associations, groups, business associates, projects and perhaps even a new marriage partner (if you are not already married) are likely to arrive during this year. As a result you may feel compelled to reassess certain aspects of your life with the view to incorporating the new and saying "good-bye" to the old. In some cases you may literally be throwing out old possessions, renovating your house or moving your business. Fate plays a strong role in your life at the moment. This can be a very rewarding period, as long as you are able to go with the flow. You feel invigorated by the change of pace in your life, delighted to be more purposeful and energetic.

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