

## ASTROLOGY

### Planetary Event Calendar for January, 2022 by Joe DiSabatino, M.Ed.

#### An Astrological Glance at 2022

##### Grace Periods:

1. **Jupiter moves into the sign of Pisces on December 30<sup>th</sup> thru May 11<sup>th</sup> (Jupiter is also in Pisces all of November until December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022).** Jupiter is the co-ruler of Pisces, so the planet of abundance is at peak expression in its home sign. Piscean qualities are enhanced in the world: compassion, intuition, artistic imagination, spiritual yearnings, believing in your dreams once again. **Jupiter races through Pisces and enters Aries on May 11 until late October** when it retrogrades back into Pisces for six weeks. Jupiter in Aries lights the fire in the belly needed to manifest Piscean dreams.
2. **Jupiter conjuncts Neptune in Pisces in April (happens once every 13 years. Last time was 2009 when both planets were in Aquarius).** Both Neptune and Jupiter co-rule the sign of Pisces, so they are coming together in their home sign (**last time Jupiter and Neptune came together in Pisces was March, 1856**). Positive waves of Piscean qualities and virtues will be radiating into the world, heralding more progressive social and political trends motivated by spiritual values. This energy is a counterpoint to the conservative Saturn/Pluto energy that was in the world from 2/18-12/21. My hopeful prediction is that the Covid19 worldwide epidemic will have faded out by Spring 2022.

##### Effort Periods:

1. **Transiting Saturn in Aquarius will continue to make a 90 degree clash angle with Uranus in Taurus all year.** This transiting square will be in effect until March 2023. It was exact in late December 2021, and will be exact again in October, 2022. Violent storms of all kinds (physical, political, personal) happen when Saturn clashes with Uranus, particularly during the month when they are exact. The devastating tornadoes in Kentucky in December is one example, as is Russia currently threatening to invade the Ukraine. So October will again be a critical month in the tense Saturn/Uranus dance. Parts of the economy will continue to lag in recovering from the pandemic while this transit is in effect.
2. **The USA's Pluto Return (first one since July 4, 1776) will be exact in February 2022.** From then, transiting Pluto will retrograde back and forth over USA's natal Pluto at 27 Capricorn until late November 2024. **This will bring about a constitutional crisis for the country, which has already been happening as transiting Pluto edges closer to its natal position.**  
**At the same time, transiting Neptune in Pisces is opposing (180 degrees away) the USA's natal Neptune in Virgo (now through April 2023). This transit provokes a**

**spiritual crisis for the country as our fundamental national values and ideals are challenged.**

3. **The chart for the mid-term elections in November is extremely difficult.** Transiting Mars in Gemini is retrograde and squares transiting Neptune in Pisces. Both the Sun and Venus in Scorpio square transiting Saturn in the first two weeks of November. And the retrograde Mars in Gemini conjuncts the USA's natal Mars, then its 7<sup>th</sup> house cusp (enemies), and then USA's natal Uranus until January 2023. In a nutshell, all of these aspects spell controversy, confusion, deception, cries of election fraud, delays in getting election results, lawsuits, and possible violence. A hopeful sign: during the second and third weeks of November, the transiting Sun, Mercury and Venus, all in late Scorpio, make a very harmonious 120 degree angle to Jupiter in late Pisces. Jupiter is all about truth, honesty, and the highest ethical standards based on spiritual values.

**Mercury turns retrograde on January 14<sup>th</sup> and Venus is retrograde all month, so the last two weeks of the month will be a bit rocky. Otherwise, the month should offer some new and unexpected work/career opportunities with Uranus in Taurus making an excellent aspect to the New Moon in Capricorn on the 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

#### **Key Days in January:**

1. **January 2: The New Moon occurs at 1:33 pm in Myrtle Beach at 12 degrees of Capricorn in excellent aspect to Uranus in Taurus (all in earth signs).** Align your New Moon wishes with the archetype of Capricorn: reaffirm your practical goals and ambitions for achieving excellence in some area of life. Be open to adjusting long-term goals that reflect new interests.
2. **Jan. 6-14: The Sun conjuncts retrograde Venus, while Mars squares Neptune.** Venus' loving rays are overpowered by the Sun as Mars gets deluded by Neptune. There could be financial losses and also misunderstandings in relationships. Not good days to make major financial moves.
3. **Jan 14: Mercury turns retrograde at 10 degrees Aquarius (retrograde until February 4<sup>th</sup>).** Travel plans change with Mercury retrograding through Aquarius.
4. **Jan. 14-18: Sun conjuncts Pluto in Capricorn.** Pluto empowers the Sun. You may have to exert your authority at work or home to correct an ongoing problem.
5. **Jan. 19-31: Retrograde Venus in excellent aspect to Uranus; Venus turns direct on the 29<sup>th</sup>.** Uranus brings the unexpected to Venus which rules love and money. Venusian energy is strong on the days it is turning direct: 27, 28, and 29<sup>th</sup>.
6. **Jan. 27-31: Retrograde Mercury conjuncts Pluto in Capricorn.** Pluto gives profound insights of a practical nature since the conjunction is in an earth sign. You may have an aha! about how to solve a long-standing problem.

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