

JYOTISH TRENDS September 2017

(Times are for Arizona which is now same as Pacific time; one hour later for Mountain Time; and two hours later for Central time; and three hours later for Eastern time zone.)

Lunar high points (affects emotions positively):

Moon in own sign of Cancer: September 15 from 8:05 AM until September 17 at 11:36 AM. In this position Moon is conjunct Rahu. This gives a tendency for more need for emotional freedom.

(Next time Moon will be exalted position is Oct. 8 although it will be aspected by Saturn and Ketu which lends an inward nervous energy to Moon).

Lunar low points (emotions are more sensitive):

Moon is in its debilitation/subdued position of Scorpio constellation: September 24 from 9:20 AM until September 26 at 9:27 PM. This time is particularly intense because Saturn is conjunct the Moon also at this time. In addition, Rahu and Mars aspects it which may lend a restless fiery tendency to emotions.

New Moon in Leo: September 18 from 11:22 PM until September 19 at 10:29 PM. This can be a spiritual time where one is exploring on deep transcendental level inner and outer communication. It also may inspire community thinking. Moon will be aspected by Saturn and conjunct Venus and Mars. This may bring a synergy of passion and focus, although some intensity and anxious tendency may be felt as well.

Additional intense days:

Moon in Capricorn aspected by Saturn: September 29 from 9:57 AM till October 1 at 8:21 PM. The Saturn aspect brings a vata or nervous influence to the emotions. At this time Ketu also will be conjunct the Moon lending an inward tendency to emotion. Moon in Capricorn can lend a bit of feeling alone as well.

I. DAYS OF SHIVA --- for Transcendental experience of Deep Meditation & Prayer:

September 18 from 12:37 AM until September 18 at 11:22 PM

II. DAYS OF SKANDA (ARCHANGEL MICHAEL)---for Victory and energy to overcome negativity:

September 25 from 1:57 AM until September 26 at 4:10 AM

III. DAYS OF GANESH---for removing obstacles and success in action:

September 22 from 10:52 PM until September 24 at 12:09 AM

IV. DAYS OF VISHNU---for harmony, balance, dharma and good relationships:

September 15 from 5:59 AM until September 16 at 4 AM

September 30 from 1:05 PM through the next day

V. DAYS OF DURGA (Mother Divine)---for removing difficulties and overcoming fear:

September 13 from 10:17 AM until September 14 at 8:06 AM

September 28 from 9:06 AM until September 29 at 11:19 AM

PLANETARY Sankranti----Points of Transcendence when planets switch constellations

Sun moves into Virgo constellation on Sep. 16 at 12:10 pm. This shifts the National and individual focus from expansive projects and greater leadership for the upliftment of society to problem solving using communication networks and logic. This will especially affect people with Virgo and Pisces rising signs (or Sun/Moon in these signs).

Mars stays in the sign of Leo till October 13 at 3:30 AM. This means for the world and individual greater energy for the national and international large projects. People with Aries or Scorpio rising signs (or Sun/Moon in these signs) may feel more energized and less frustrated. People with Leo or Pisces rising signs (or Sun/Moon in these signs) may have greater luck at this time. Also, people with Aquarius rising sign (or Sun/Moon in this sign) may find greater intensity in relationships.

Mercury stays in the sign of Leo till September 26 at 12 PM when it moves into Virgo constellation. In this position Mercury being in Leo energizes higher levels of leadership for better communication. It enhances large-scale advertising and other such projects. This position of Mercury in September particularly affects people with Leo, Gemini and Virgo ascendants (or Moon/Sun in signs).

Once Mercury moves into Virgo it emphasizes use of intellect for solving problems through hard logic. Mercury is powerful or exalted in this position. This position in September particularly affects people with Gemini and Virgo ascendants (or Moon/Sun in those signs). It also affects people who are Pisces rising (or Sun/Moon in this constellation) bringing influence of strengthening relationships and fostering better communication.

Mercury stays combust (close to the Sun) from Sep. 22 till next month. This can be a good time for spiritual healing, but intensifies fiery energy in communication and the nervous system.

Venus moves into the sign of Leo September 14 at 10 PM and stays there till October 9 at 8:55 AM. This means artistic projects and activities will be taking a more expansive public project direction once Venus shifts into Leo. As Mars is also in Leo it will add passion to one's activities and relationships (especially for Aquarius rising or Sun/Moon in Aquarius). This will have more of an influence on people who are Libra, Taurus, Cancer and Leo rising (or Sun/Moon) in those signs.

Rahu is in the constellation Cancer and stays there until March 6, 2019 at 9:02 PM. This may bring in some tendency for requiring more emotional freedom and space. On a national level it could bring in some need for independence, even from countries which we regard as our allies. This position of Rahu may affect more people who are Cancer, Capricorn, and Sagittarius rising (or Sun/Moon in these signs). For Capricorn and Sagittarius rising signs it brings in some need for separation or independence in relationships.

Ketu is in the constellation Capricorn and stays there till March 6, 2019 at 9:02 PM. This position brings a spiritual inwardness to the sign Capricorn which most represents self-sufficiency and practicality. It also brings tendency for nonattachment and letting go in the area of relationships for people who are Cancer rising. This

position of Ketu may be felt more by Capricorn, Cancer and Gemini rising signs (or Moon or Sun in such position).

OTHER PLANETARY POSITIONS

Jupiter changed signs going into Libra constellation on September 11, 2017 at 6:05 PM. This position brings tendency to want to use knowledge and finances (Jupiter represents banking industry) for improving interpersonal relations. This position will affect people with Sagittarius and Pisces rising signs (or Sun/Moon in these signs). It could bring greater Divine wisdom blessings for people with Libra rising (or Sun/Moon in these signs), and new relations with teachers or men particularly for Aries rising (or Sun/Moon in these signs)

The position of Jupiter in Libra may for the USA bring in some Divine support of knowledge or dharma to financial and internal affairs. It also emphasizes issues of law for the country.

Saturn will stay in the Scorpio constellation this month revisiting the position it was in last year. This position gives more focus to research and health trends as Saturn is very deep in influence in this position, and brings in healing energy on national and international level.

For the USA it brings desire to set communication affairs in order, as well as the need to reveal that which was hidden. It also can mean that communication is more blunt and straightforward. This process may feel very transformational like a death and rebirth. The position of Saturn in Scorpio may affect more people with Capricorn and Aquarius rising signs (or Sun/Moon in these signs), as well as Scorpio and Taurus rising signs (or with Sun/Moon in those signs). For people with Taurus rising sign, the combination of Saturn in house of relationships, together with Rahu being now in Cancer and thereby aspecting the house of marriage or relationships-- may bring some challenge into the arena of relationships.

SPECIAL VEDIC HOLIDAYS (as per Arizona /Pacific time-- times September differ in India as they there is a time zone difference. Please note also Vedic Holidays were based on Lunar days, not Solar days):

LORD SHIVA HOLIDAYS:

Shani Pradosh falls on the thirteenth lunar day in both the bright half and dark half of the Lunar cycle. This month Shani Pradosha is celebrated September 17 from 2:11 AM until September 18 at 12:37 AM.

Fasting and worship of Shiva on Shani Pradosh brings freedom from restrictions, removal of obstacles and troubles, and moksha or Enlightenment. Traditionally in the Vedic Tradition one takes a vow (vrata) to do 11 or 26 such Shani Pradosh worships.

September 12 from 12:31 PM until September 13 at 10:17 AM as well as September 27 from 6:38 AM until September 28 at 9:06 AM is **Kala Ashtami** (8th Lunar day each month), which celebrates the appearance of **Kala Bhairava**, a special aspect of Lord Shiva who appeared and cut off the fifth head of the Creator Brahma, leaving 4 heads facing different directions.

The real symbolism of this is that Creation has four directions but the fifth direction is the Transcendental Pure

Consciousness which belongs to Shiva (Almighty God as Supreme Silence). On this day, it is traditional for Shiva devotees to stay up all night in vigil and make offerings to Bhairava and Parvati (The Divine Feminine aspect of Almighty God) and also offer libations and oblations to their departed ancestors. Dogs are also offered treats as offerings.

Night of September 18 is monthly **Shiva Ratri** (Night of Shiva) during which time one honors Shiva (Almighty God). This is the Night of Shiva when it is customary to stay up all Night adoring the Supreme Being as Shiva, God as the Absolute Supreme Silent Self. It is said that on this Night the Absolute (Shiva) accepts the Creation as His own Nature--giving rise to the full awakening of Enlightenment as the Unity of Absolute and Relative.

The real meaning of staying up all night on Shiva Ratri evening is being awake perpetually in the state of Enlightenment/ God Realization. Also during this time, it is traditional to pour milk, honey, sugar ghee and other offerings over a Shiva Lingam while reciting the Yajur Veda hymns known as Rudra Pathe. It is also traditional to read excerpts from Holy Scriptures about Shiva.

LORD VISHNU HOLIDAYS:

September 15 is known as **Indira Ekadasi**. This is a holy day to Lord Vishnu (Omni presence of Love). (See Vishnu times above). If one fasts on this day it removes all sins according to Vedic tradition. It was the fasting of a King called Indrasena in the time of Sat Yuga during this time of Ekadasi which was able to release his father from the realm of Lord Yama, the Deity (Archangel in Western tradition) presiding over death and after regions. This is according to a story that is narrated by Lord Krishna.

Ekadashis in general commemorate the day Lord Vishnu (God as Omnipresent Love) destroyed the demon Mura (Hence Vishnu is known as Murari). It was the female power or Shakti of Lord Vishnu that appeared to destroy the demon. Because the Shakti emerged on the 11th Lunar day, She was called Ekadashi. The Shakti in the narration of the story asked Lord Vishnu to grant the boon that whosoever worships Vishnu (and his Shakti) on the 11th Lunar day, be granted freedom from sin.

SPECIAL BIRTHS OR TIMES:

Sarva Pitri Moksha Amavasya falls on New Moon Sep. 18-19 (see times above). This is absolutely the best time to ask for the peace and Enlightenment of our departed relatives and ancestors. It is the time to honor one's family who have crossed over to the other side. In India, sweet offerings are given to the ancestors along the banks of its major rivers. Honoring one's ancestors with love brings good fortune and blessings of one's departed family.

Nava-Ratri or Nine Days of Mother Divine starts September 20 and goes till Sep. 30th. This is a time when God as Mother Divine (Durga) is commemorated to have destroyed the demons which plague humanity, such as anger, greed, lust, etc. The first 3 days of Nava-Ratri are dedicated to Kali (Mother Time), the second three days to Lakshmi (Lady Good Luck), and the last three to Saraswati (Lady Wisdom). This time is especially auspicious for removing duress or difficulties and bringing in good fortune.

Note: (The last day of Navaratri is known as **Victory Day (Vijaya Dashami)**--commemorating the Victory of Lord Rama (the Solar Avatar of ancient India) over the demonic king of Shri Lanka known as Ravanna. As such it represents the Victory of the forces of Good over the forces of Negativity. It is recorded that through

worship of Chandi (Durga) Lord Rama found the secret of destroying Ravanna. On this day, statues of Mother Divine as Durga (Remover of Difficulties) are submerged in rivers and other bodies of water.)

Wishing everyone a Happy Year through Growth, Success and Fulfillment! May September 2017 bring you the fulfillment of your cherished desires! And the Year of 2017 bring perfection in your goals!

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