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# Floating in a Dream

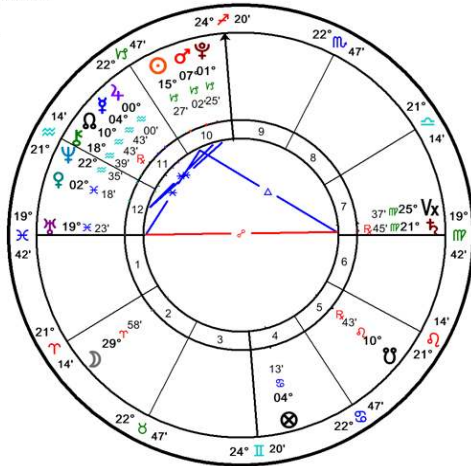
## The June 2009 Forecast

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Chart A: Jupiter Ingress  
Natal Chart  
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Washington, DC  
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If in May we were on the cusp of a new cycle, in June we have commenced it. We have been anointed fully into the Age of Aquarius by an extremely rare triple conjunction of Jupiter, Chiron, and Neptune. This commences three new long-term cycles: Jupiter-Chiron (May 23), Jupiter-Neptune (May 27), and Chiron-Neptune (May 29 near-miss and Feb 16, 2010). This conjunction is made all the more spectacularly incredible and unusual because they precisely coincide.

This is the first conjunction of Chiron and Neptune to occur since Chiron was discovered. The last one happened in 1945. Chiron the Wounded Healer meets Neptune the Visionary: a healing vision, visionary healing; spiritual healing. I call it the Healing of the Great Human Wound. There are many ways in which we can see this great wound expressed, from exploitation (of the planet, other people) to conflict and terrorism to jarring fear.

This is not in harmony with our true human nature. Our birthright is joy, love, and union with all. There has never been a better time to dream this into greater existence. We know that, in many ways, the world we are familiar with is changing rapidly, and some aspects of our old life are dying. The new has just barely started, and we are struggling for perspective. What has changed? What will the new world look like? How should we prepare? What should/can/must we let go of to live in the new reality?

An economy is partially based on a dream, a set of rules and constructs that we often unwittingly agree to when we accept that paper currency has value or that land and homes can be owned under the terms that the laws of state and federal government create. We know that something is dreadfully wrong with the current economic model, when rich banks get all the money they need

but the individuals they “serve” are expected to respond to ever more stringent requirements. Financial institutions are off the hook, but a credit card “bill of rights” passes Congress without an upper limit placed on the interest rates that credit card companies can charge (and with a rider that permits loaded concealed weapons to be carried in national parks).

Currently, the US government is very obviously a wholly owned subsidiary of external interests, when both the Senate and the President cave in to fear and refuse to close Guantanamo Prison, continuing to torture detainees for as little as having two styrofoam cups in their cell instead of one. Talk of stronger regulation in the financial industry has all but disappeared from the political radar, and proponents of single-payer health care are being pointedly left out of the discussion on health care reform. All these factors reveal how little will for change exists in the halls of power.

Even if this system is corrupt in so many ways, we struggle with a vision of what to replace it with. If Adam Smith is wrong now, who is right? If the founding fathers’ voices are to be drowned out and twisted by petty power-grabbing politicians, who can stand up honorably in their place with a message strong enough to prevail?

## Another New Cycle — or Three

These are the kinds of questions that arise at the very start of any new and profound cycle, but especially a triple conjunction such as the one we are experiencing now. It is dreadful, but it also holds great promise. It is perfectly ambiguous because it is chaotic and unformed, and ambiguity is the most difficult of conditions for the human psyche to endure. We struggle to fit our current experiences into the frameworks we’ve developed in the past, to abate fear. But we need instead to master the Neptunian (and perhaps Jupiterian) art of surrender, allowing ourselves to be carried along by the forces of the universe instead of resisting them.

I am gratified by the kinds of questions being asked and realities being revealed as we enter this new reality. The government may respond weakly to the situation at hand, but they haven’t yet had to reckon with the newly awakened population that is just finding its own knowledge, voice, and strength. Ending US torture, restoring civil liberties, prosecuting those who break the law, developing a world economic that supports all people — these are the goals we must set if we are to recover from our current human malaise.

This type of digging and revelation is what is good about Mercury retrogrades where difficult aspects are formed. The issues that we face are like scar tissue — tenaciously restrictive and difficult to break up, but it is possible to do so if we apply enlightened determination to healing the old wounds.

## No June Gloom

June gives us plenty to work with. We have some clouds leftover from May’s turbulence, but we’ll experience mostly resolutions to our localized issues. And there are two grand trines this month, plus one minor grand trine and the conjunction of Venus and Mars. The sun shines brightest after the air-clearing experience of a storm. If your life has been stormy, relief is now possible.

## Yearly Rhythms

Meanwhile, the yearly rhythms of the planets continue apace. Saturn is in the homestretch of its yearly cycle. This final completion stage allows us to reap the rewards of efforts started last September. To discover the thread of your life that relates to Saturn's transit, look at what was occurring around September 3, November 4, December 12 and 31, March 8, and May 16.

**Mars** is still a sleeper, but we should be aware that it is in the last half of its two-year cycle, turning retrograde at 19° Leo on December 20.

## Lots of Openings

The rest of the planets are still in the waxing (first) half of their cycles: **Venus** is still a morning star, traditionally thought to be more assertive (warrior-like) while it leads the Sun. **Mercury** is also very early in its 4-month cycle.

**Jupiter, Chiron, and Neptune** are all near the same stage in their yearly rhythm, at their station to retrograde. Chiron and Neptune turned retrograde in the last week of May; Jupiter does so this month (June 15). These planets will continue to work as a unit all year. We are just now experiencing them as a more powerful force in our lives, where we take on a hero's task of adventure to expand our horizons. Dreams and visions will be the keys to unlock this process because of the new long-term cycles these planets are initiating now. This means that we will feel rather blind as to our direction, but we are also likely to feel inspired to take on a large task, one to which we feel deeply dedicated, even if we don't yet know how we will be able to accomplish it. It's a time to follow our instincts and deep inner feelings. The Sun will trine these planets at mid-month, giving us a boost of activating awareness.

When Neptune entered Aquarius in 1998, we felt drawn to make a sacrifice in order to fulfill a lofty vision of something deeply meaningful to us, and we are still engaged in it. Chiron has been in Aquarius since 2005, adding a healing emphasis to our mission. Jupiter, which entered Aquarius in January, has allowed us to make huge strides toward our goals. Now, as Chiron and Neptune near the end of their transit of Aquarius (in 2010–11), we also near the completion of our mission.

**Uranus** is also in its opening phase; it will make its retrograde station on July 1, so we will feel its energy of sudden change in the last half of the month. There's still time now to refine our efforts to manage the changes that the world is thrusting upon us. They are changes that drew our focus most around November 4 and 27, and March 12. Uranus is playing out a trajectory of events that began to unfold in 2003 when it entered Pisces. At that time, we took on a task that has been leading us to a more meaningful life and deeper fulfillment by removing structures that were empty for us.

**Pluto** is reaching its peak this month, the halfway "full" part of its cycle, as the Sun opposes it on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. We'll feel this briefly but intensely, starting on the 20<sup>th</sup>. It will tie in with long-term transformative processes that we were focusing on around December 22 and April 4. Because Pluto is still early in its travel through Capricorn, we are likely to know what we must transform

in our lives, but we are still in the instinctual stage of understanding how we achieve it. If you are comfortable flying by the seat of your pants, you'll find this exhilarating.

These cycles with the Sun (most yearly) establish the surrounding context within which the shorter-term planetary events are framed. When a cycle is opening, we generally know less about what is taking shape. Once the planet turns retrograde, it communicates to us more clearly about what is being created. When the Sun opposes it halfway through its retrograde period, we get maximum signals from the planet to use in the last "fulfillment" half of the cycle.

## Saturn-Uranus Watch, Again

With the Sun in Gemini, the Saturn-Uranus opposition once again puts in an appearance. Although the pressure is off now, compared to September, December, February, and March, we will notice some friction as the Sun squares each of these points, egged on by the Full Moon that occurs in between. The friction starts on June 5 and continues through June 17, with a peak on the Full Moon, June 7-8. If you recall the world economy was experiencing difficulty during these times. We will see similar challenges in June, for instance with US automakers.

## Oh, Sweet Romance!

We open our story of love and wandering in September, when Venus and Mars met at 15° Libra on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Venus sped on at its usual faster pace until it reached a sextile to Mars on January 24 at 21° Pisces. With Venus's retrograde, she slowed and allowed Mars to catch up to and nip past her just before she went direct on April 17. Since then she's been giving chase, picking up speed and reaching out to catch Mars, which she will do on June 21 at 15° Taurus.

This may sound like a boring blah-blah-blah, but when you consider all other contacts made to and from Venus and Mars, we have a love story in the making. This results in the give-and-take, call-and-response that we see in the courtship rituals of all cultures. All relationships engage in a "breathing cycle", an inhale and exhale when the couple come together, then separate in a dance of (hopefully) coordinated interaction. This is what the I Ching talks about as "advance when offered opening, withdraw when encountering retreat".

Mars will allow himself to be caught on June 21, completing the long dance begun last September, but it is never over . . . it's only the beginning of the next cycle, an ever-renewing, ever-unfolding process. Lucky for us!

## June In Depth

Due to its popularity, here's a day-to-day chronology for June:

### Before June

Just before the month commenced, Jupiter, Chiron, and Neptune made their triple conjunction, and Chiron and Neptune made their retrograde station. These planets are still essentially stationary in the first few days of June. Mars still leads Venus, and Mars has just made a harmonious sextile to the Aquarian triple conjunction planets (Jupiter, Chiron, Neptune). Watch as Moon and Mercury add nuance to the Mars-Venus dance, as they bridge the gap between the

dynamic duo from time to time. Jupiter is slow as it prepares for its retrograde. Mercury is also slow, just having returned to forward motion on May 30.

### June 1-2

Venus completes the integration of deep dreams and themes into our relationship process as she sextiles the Aquarian trio Chiron-Neptune-Jupiter. This gives us another tangible experience of what these energies will mean to our future; they will play a significant role in building harmonious relationships. Both personal and business relationship opportunities will be supported by the communities that we find and form in the coming years.

### June 3-5

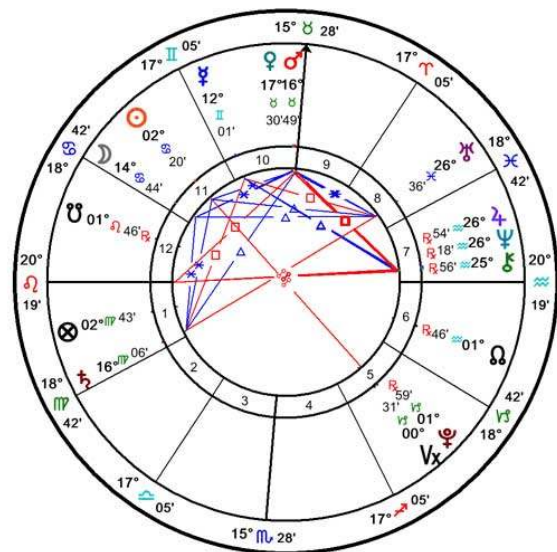
Mars, newly in Taurus, trines Pluto to support agreements and peace in previously conflictual situations. Accords reached over the next week will address imbalances and wrongs incurred over the past 18 months and feed favorably into situations that develop in the future, even when long-term differences exist. This may help us smooth the way to peace with North Korea and Iran — watch to see what happens on June 1-8 with these foreign powers.

At the same time, tension builds up as the Sun squares Saturn. We feel pressured to perform well in spite of the fact that we took on too many commitments for these days. Events now will motivate us to finish up some incomplete projects so we can simplify our lives, gain the rewards of our efforts, and clear the way for the next action plan. This also re-opens communication between Saturn and Uranus, which have been inactive for about two months, as the Sun carries Saturn's energy to Uranus. This translation of light will be completed on June 17.

### June 6-8

Venus enters Taurus re-engaging with Mars, and trines Pluto to permit negotiations and accords to be completed successfully. The Full Moon on the 7<sup>th</sup> is full of good energies, as the Sun moves toward trines to Chiron-Neptune-Jupiter. Between now and June 17, we can use this lovely energy to inspire us. The Sun also squares Uranus through the 17th, giving off enough sparks that we won't just rest on our laurels (a tendency with trines). The Moon's square to Uranus hours after the Full Moon is significant, and our experiences then will tell us what we need to do to use the energies of the next 10 days.

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### June 9-10

Adding a layer of complexity but ultimately helping us find the right course, Mercury makes its third and final set of squares to Chiron-Neptune-Jupiter. The previous ones occurred on April 22-

25 and May 16-20; events in your life around these times are significant once again and may be substantially resolved now. We are assisted by a grand trine in earth signs on June 8-9, as the Capricorn Moon trines Mars in Taurus and Saturn in Virgo. This heightens our productivity and effectiveness. (See Chart A.)

### June 11-15

With the current planetary placements, the Moon's movement through Aquarius assumes greater importance. Its squares to Venus and Mars on the 11<sup>th</sup> highlight minor issues that must be worked through in relationships. On Saturday, the Moon's conjunction to the near-stationary Jupiter elongates the time period during which Jupiter's energy is focalized in our lives. We will have a larger window through which to see what our learning process will be for the next four months. Look at where Jupiter (at 27° Aquarius) falls in your chart to see what it promises. Mercury's entry into Gemini brings more harmonious connections into our lives. Jupiter turns retrograde on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Whatever we experience over the next four months will involve a leap of faith.

### June 16-17

The Sun finally reaches its opening trines to Chiron-Neptune-Jupiter, and its square to Uranus. We get more clues to what the new cycles hold for us, what we are creating — and we can use all the awareness we can get. This is a good time to take note of your dreams. With the Uranus square, a build-up of tension that started June 5 is released.

### June 18-22

The Moon in Taurus opens five days of harmonies as it conjoins Mars and Venus, now nearly conjunct, then trines Saturn. The Sun enters Cancer, marking the Summer Solstice, the celebration of Litha, and the longest day of the solar year. The energies of the 21<sup>st</sup> are especially harmonious, with Venus finally connecting with Mars just as they trine Saturn! What could be better for our connections with others?

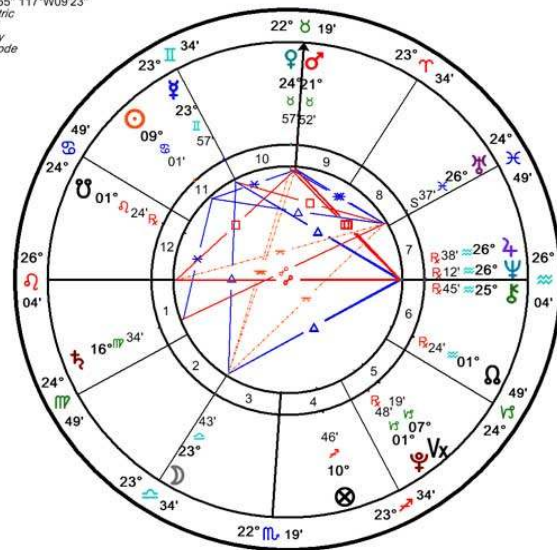
### June 23

Although we will have been feeling it since Sunday (June 21), we may not notice much until today: There's a deep transformation afoot, and it's affecting us. This is tied to the Sun-Pluto opposition. However, it is eased by a minor grand trine between Moon-Venus/Mars-Saturn (a cradle if Uranus is included). (See Chart B.)

### June 24-26

Mercury approaches and finally perfects a square to Saturn, again tightening the energy between

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Saturn and Uranus. This tension will release when Mercury squares Uranus on July 1 (the day of Uranus's station). Until then, we'll experience challenges that lead to more inventive solutions to the challenges we've faced since late last summer.

June 27-30

As Uranus slows and Mercury approaches a square to it, tensions increase. However, a grand trine involving Moon, Mercury, and Chiron-Neptune-Jupiter does much to provide a productive outlet. (See Chart C.) We may even find the ultimate resolution to our situation, even if it takes some time to enact it. A breakthrough could be at hand!

Just as in January 07, we are entering a new reality, created by our changing perspectives in response to the start of new planetary cycles. It is helpful to remember that there are many supports for us as we reinvent ourselves. The times we are at our best are when we are challenged and rediscover our interdependence. Camaraderie, community, and compassion are key ingredients to a healthy and harmonious future.

### Significant Planetary Events

Saturn and Pluto are retrograde. Venus and Mars are in detriment.

<b>Venus sextiles Chiron Rx</b>	<b>26°14' Aries/Aquarius</b>	<b>June 2</b>
<b>Venus sextiles Neptune Rx</b>	<b>26°28' Aries/Aquarius</b>	<b>June 2</b>
<b>Venus sextiles Jupiter</b>	<b>26°46' Aries/Aquarius</b>	<b>June 2</b>
<b>Mars trines Pluto Rx</b>	<b>2°28' Taurus/Capricorn</b>	<b>June 3</b>
<b>Mars squares the Lunar Nodes</b>	<b>2°47' Taurus/Leo-Aquarius</b>	<b>June 4</b>
<b>Sun squares Saturn</b>	<b>15°15' Gemini/Virgo</b>	<b>June 5</b>
<b>Venus enters Taurus (rulership)</b>	<b>0°00' Taurus</b>	<b>June 6</b>
<b>Full Moon</b>	<b>17°07' Sagittarius/Gemini</b>	<b>June 7</b>
<b>Earth Grand Trine (Venus/Mars-Saturn-Moon)</b>	<b>3°-15° Taurus-Virgo-Capricorn</b>	<b>June 8</b>
<b>Venus trines Pluto Rx</b>	<b>2°21' Taurus/Capricorn</b>	<b>June 8</b>
<b>Venus squares the Lunar Nodes</b>	<b>2°33' Taurus</b>	<b>June 8</b>
<b>Mercury squares Chiron Rx (3<sup>rd</sup> of 3)</b>	<b>26°11' Taurus/Aquarius</b>	<b>June 9</b>

Mercury sextiles Uranus (2 <sup>nd</sup> of 3)	26°26' Taurus/Pisces	June 9
<b>Mercury squares Neptune Rx (3<sup>rd</sup> of 3)</b>	<b>26°26' Taurus/Aquarius</b>	<b>June 9</b>
<b>Mercury squares Jupiter (3<sup>rd</sup> of 3)</b>	<b>26°59' Taurus/Aquarius</b>	<b>June 10</b>
<b>Mercury enters Gemini (rulership)</b>	<b>0°00' Gemini</b>	<b>June 13</b>
<b>Jupiter commences retrograde (apparent backward) motion (SRx stationary retrograde)</b>	<b>17°01' Aquarius</b>	<b>June 15</b>
Mercury quincunxes Pluto Rx	2°10' Gemini/Capricorn	June 15
Sun trines Chiron Rx	26°04' Gemini/Aquarius	June 16
Sun trines Neptune Rx	26°23' Gemini/Aquarius	June 17
Sun squares Uranus	26°33' Gemini/Pisces	June 17
Sun trines Jupiter	27°00' Gemini/Aquarius	June 17
Sun enters Cancer (Litha/Summer Solstice)	0°00' Cancer	June 21
<b>Venus conjoins Mars</b>	<b>15°16' Taurus</b>	<b>June 21</b>
Venus trines Saturn	16°01' Taurus/Virgo	June 22
Mars trines Saturn	16°02' Taurus/Virgo	June 22
New Moon	1°30' Cancer	June 22
<b>Minor Grand Trine (Venus-Mars-Moon-Saturn)</b>	<b>16°-17° Taurus-Cancer-Virgo</b>	<b>June 23</b>
<b>Sun opposes Pluto Rx</b>	<b>1°59' Cancer/Capricorn</b>	<b>June 23</b>
Mercury squares Saturn	16°16' Gemini/Virgo	June 26
<b>Air Grand Trine (Mercury-Moon-Chiron/Neptune/Jupiter)</b>	<b>24°-27° Gemini-Libra-Aquarius</b>	<b>June 30</b>

*All dates are based on Pacific Time.*

Blue = harmonious/Red or orange = challenging/intense  
Events in **bold** are more significant.