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For anyone who found 2020 to be a smidge on the repetitive side, a blast of good news is on the way. The astrology of early 2021 has the unexpected, anomalistic, and atypical written all over it. The cause lies in the power of the planet Uranus, the Great Disrupter and Magical Destroyer of All Things Dull and Disinteresting. If you want to understand the essence of Uranus, think Harry Potter and his surprisingly potent natural magic. Think the spellcasting wands of the students at Hogwarts. Think explosive projections of intention and power. Now you're thinking Uranus.

Whenever Uranus acts, a departure from the previous pattern takes place. Given that the previous pattern established in 2020 revolved around fear and negative expectations about the future, the impact of Uranus in early 2021 is sure to burst the bland bubble of persistent pessimism promoted by dire governmental figures intent on terrifying the public into submission. If 2020 featured the less-colorful life of lockdown, discouragement of travel and entertainment, and human faces made to look quite nearly homogenous via the wearing of medical masks, 2021 is sure to break up those patterns. If 2020 was about a home-based routine which leaned in the direction of too much sameness and a lack of normal stimulation for many, then 2021 will jar those grooves right out of the track and blast a new path of activity.

The power behind it all is the Uranian archetype, activated intensively throughout the year of 2021, but emphasized even more dramatically in the first two months of the coming year. The action starts in mid-January when Uranus turns stationary direct on **January 14** at 7 degrees of Taurus. Following right away, transiting Jupiter squares transiting Uranus, exact on **January 17**, with Jupiter at 7 degrees of Aquarius and Uranus as 7 degrees of Taurus. More Uranian intensity comes on **January 20** as transiting Mars conjuncts transiting Uranus at 7 degrees of Taurus. Then on **February 15**, transiting Saturn at 7 degrees of Aquarius squares Uranus at 7 degrees of Taurus. **From mid-January through mid-February, there is no let-up in the Uranian activation**. It's one solid blast of the kind of wild, erratic, mind-blowing, atypical pyrotechnics for which the planet Uranus is known in modern astrology.

With an orbit much farther removed from the center of the solar system than that of trusty, familiar, strictly structured, paternal and parental Saturn, Uranus connotes quite the opposite: unstructured social situations, novel circumstances, even a frontier of experience and consciousness where nobody knows the rules. It stands for the destruction of all hindrances and obstacles to the progression of evolution and

consciousness in the direction of freedom and infinity. When Uranus acts, rebellion and revolt against strictures of all kinds eventuate. Uranus rules the urge for spiritual and political freedom and self-governance. It's impatient and imprudent, demanding its liberty now at any cost. Uranus is not a diplomat with whom one might negotiate endlessly about miniscule adaptations in policy. No. Uranus will stand for none of that. It will act to secure its objectives in spite of what the consequences might be. Strong influence from this archetype will make 2021 differ dramatically from 2020, for 2020 was in the domain of Capricorn and Saturn, which are all about reputation and what society might think. Forget that with Uranus, which is the planet of the iconoclast, the rebel, and the outlaw.

Whereas the world population in 2020 was by and large willing to submit to invasive governmental policies drastically limiting personal freedom of movement, thought, and choice, the mood of the people is likely to shift rather dramatically in 2021. While before there was patient tolerance and even tacit acceptance from a world population that largely and naively thought that world governments had their best interests at heart, now going into 2021, that docile indulgence of governments bent on practicing stringent control methods is likely to evaporate rather abruptly. At the same time, the autocrats will feel the touch of modern and technological planet Uranus, too, attempting to use every advanced method of electronic information gathering and analysis ever yet imagined (and some not yet imagined) to subdue and dominate the people. Even so, they will be met with a world population which no longer is willing to let all decisions about the present and future be made at some distant location behind heavily guarded and exclusive closed doors. Uranus is an archetype of self-reliance; acting powerfully in early 2021, it is sure to stimulate a much greater drive toward autonomy and personal sovereignty than was the case in Saturn-ruled 2020.

Further, the Uranian activation of consciousness continues through the year of 2021. Transiting Saturn squares Uranus in mid-June, and then again in late December of 2021, extending the Uranian theme of revolt and rebellion throughout the year. At the same time, transiting Jupiter and Saturn will remain in Aquarius, which sign is ruled in modern astrology by Uranus, thus further amplifying the Uranian theme. The ways in which this impact will manifest are many. Without a doubt, those who want to push advanced technological medical treatments and electronic surveillance on the world population will continue to harp on what they see as the euphoric result of connecting the human soul, brain, and body to the internet of their maniacal, hegemonical dreams. More and wilder propositions for the application of advanced technologies are thus sure to emerge. But at the same time, the Uranian power will work in the masses to awaken the spirit of Humanity. This is what Uranus always does when it acts. Discovered in between the American and French Revolutions, Uranus stands for and encapsulates a basic drive in the human psyche toward selfdetermination. It is not an archetype of docile submission to the dictates and whims of the privileged class. As a result, the year 2021 is likely to see the people all over the planet rising up and asking questions, if not taking up arms and overthrowing their captors. It is likely to be a wild ride in many places.

Individually and at home, the same energies are working. As a result, the year 2021 is filled with the potential for each and all to step up to a new level of authentic selfhood. Uranus helps the individual discover his or her genius, his or her specific gifts, his or her unique skills and contributions to the goodness of life. Its power helps the individual to set aside and lay down the hesitations, doubts, insecurities, and negative self-talk which hamper the manifestation of stunning talent and forward motion in all areas of life. Whereas the weight of Saturn upon the human psyche in 2020 tended to promote timidity, quiet conformity, and reluctance to pursue exhilarating challenge, Uranus dynamites that weight and explodes it into bits and pieces hurtling off into outer space. Rocket time ahead!

Daily Analysis and Prediction for the Week of December 21 – 27, 2020

The Moon waxes throughout the week, giving rise to increasing levels of enthusiasm and motivation. Five major astrological activations pack the week, making for powerful realizations, defining moments, and significant developments both abroad in the world and at home in the psyche. The Capricorn Solstice takes place on Monday, bringing the annual sense of sobriety in the contemplation of time, embodiment in matter, and purpose. The historic Jupiter-Saturn conjunction in group-conscious Aquarius also becomes exact on Monday, bringing deep concentration on purpose and objective within the context of world society. At the same time, Mars moves to square Pluto, exact on Wednesday, intensifying awareness of political corruption and misuses of power in high places. Friday brings good news as Mercury trines Uranus, and Sunday tops off the week with positive financial developments as the Sun in Capricorn trines Uranus in Taurus.

Monday December 21 is packed with astrological significance. The Sun enters Capricorn at 4:02 am CST, initiating a month-long meditation on major life goals, duties, responsibilities, career, family responsibilities, and material requirements. Jupiter and Saturn come together in the first degree of social Aquarius, seeding the mind sphere and the social sphere with new ideas about cooperation, teamwork, and interaction. The Moon enters Aries at 4:32 pm CST, kicking everyone into action. New ideas make for cool developments 5-6 pm CST while the Moon newly in Aries makes the sextile to Jupiter and Saturn newly in Aquarius. Then there are complexities to manage 6-9 pm CST while the impudent Aries Moon squares Sun and Mercury in rule-loving Capricorn. Priorities conflict.

Tuesday December 22 represents a continuation of the powerful themes of yesterday. A moment of good cheer helps things along 9 - 11 am CST while the spirited Aries Moon trines Venus in ebullient Sagittarius. Even so, we are sensing the creeping sense of hidden trouble coming from the Mars-Pluto square now forming.

Wednesday December 23 brings a big conflict on to the playing field as Mars in hot-headed Aries squares Pluto in compulsive, compelling, commanding Pluto, exact at 8:53 am CST. Fights in the political domain make a big ruckus. At home, emotions are disrupted. Many are at crosspurposes. This is a good day to pursue personal projects in the safety of a protected home space. Of course, the Aries Moon doesn't want to do that. It wants to seek out the action. So there you have it. Pick those battles carefully. Also, we find out today something important about processes not working properly. This is necessary for effective problem-solving.

Thursday December 24 is astrologically busy. The Moon enters entertainment and food-loving Taurus at 4:55 am CST, setting the stage for seasonal feasts and celebrations. Too much to do is a big bugaboo 6-8 am CST while the Moon squares Saturn and Jupiter. Then the good times roll 11 am - 6 pm CST as the gustatory Taurus Moon trines Sun and Mercury in traditional and customary Capricorn. Many would be happy to leave it right there for the day, but that's not all. The Moon conjuncts unconventional Uranus 6-8 pm CST, making for holiday anomaly. Right in the middle of everything, metaphysical discoveries emerge. We see things a new way as Mercury prepares to trine Uranus on the morrow.

Friday December 25 is primarily easy on the astrological end. Mercury trines Uranus today, exact at 1:05 am CST, making for pleasant travel, open minds, tolerance in discussions, wide-ranging chats, and equanimous examination of differing points of view. Peaceful easy feelings creep up 5 – 7 pm CST as the homebody Taurus Moon makes the sweet sextile to daydreaming Neptune in poetic Pisces 5 – 7 pm CST. Many are lulled right to sleep on the comforts of the day.

Saturday December 26 is sleepy and going nowhere as the Moon is void of course until it enters Gemini at 5:33 pm CST. Then it's full steam ahead on the chat thread, the social media thing, and the neighbor visit vibe as the airy talkative Gemini Moon trines settled Saturn and then jolly Jupiter in gregarious Aquarius. A spot of fun will be had by all.

The Full Moon period cranks into place on **Sunday December 27**, and we begin to feel the rising psychic intensity. The Sun at 7 degrees Capricorn trines Uranus at 7 degrees Taurus today, filling this interval with good fortune and positive developments, especially in the areas of income generation, employment, financial security, productivity, relationship with Earth and nature, gardening, and manifesting necessary materials.

As the weekend draws to a close, we're on our way to the **Full Moon**, which takes place on **Tuesday December 29 at 9:28 pm CST**, with the Sun at 9 degrees of Capricorn and the Moon at 9 degrees of Cancer. All along, the power of Aquarius and its ruler Uranus are growing as Jupiter and Saturn are now in Aquarius, preparing the world for the intense energies of the planet and archetype of Uranus, due to unfold in early 2021.



Uranus Refusing to Conform to Conventional Axial Orientation

Needless to say, the other planets are aghast.