

URANUS IN ARIES: Time for a Change!

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When planets enter new signs, astrologers get excited! There are drum rolls and articles written full of anticipation and dread! This spring, Uranus enters the tropical sign of Aries for the first time in 84 years and stays there until 2019. Most of us have never lived through Uranus in Aries. And, unless we read for 80 to 90 year-old clients, we've never seen a Uranus return in person to ask questions about what happened!

We "know" from books what the signs Uranus and Aries "mean" but what will actually happen when they are put together and run around in the heavens for the next eight or so years? How will Uranus in Aries appear in our lives, family, friends, clients, country, and the world? Below are three approaches to take to attempt to understand Uranus in Aries.

First, ALWAYS start with key words. A fun way to get your mind moving in a Uranus-Aries mode is to open your favorite rulership book. Write words from the planet Uranus and the sign Aries on slips of paper. Pick one slip from each pile and record the word combinations: abnormal weapons, rowdiness cults, violent teasing, electric passions, lightening changes, ladder drafts, assertion courses, personality horoscopes, crazy insults, a growth in horary astrology, turbulent hail, sleepwalking pistols, animal spirit energy, satellite wreck, electrical intruders, vegetarian occult society, erosion secret, barren minerals, doorman parasites, freedom attitudes, vortex crime, pervert gunshot wounds, navigator reflexes, wrinkles facial injuries, labor union getting ornery, conglomeration explosions, rebellion insistence, rooster characteristics, and war movies. It is a wonderful way to expand your consciousness.

Second, remember history repeats itself. Look back to see what happened when Uranus was previously in Aries as something similar always occurs. Uranus is the great creator and innovator usually through unexpected changes. For example, from March 31, 1927 to March 27, 1935 marked the end of the roaring 20s and the beginning of the Great Depression. There was a major Stock Market Crash in 1929 triggering the Great Depression. The Lindy Hop came into Vogue ~ a very lively, jumping and jiving dance that surged in conjunction with swing Jazz. The first transatlantic TV image was received as aviators began to cross the oceans, including Amelia Earhart. George Eastman showed the first color motion pictures and invented Technicolor. Time and Newsweek magazines published their first issues and clip on ties were invented. Pluto was discovered. Twinkies, flash bulbs and Alka Seltzer were created. The Star Spangled Banner was made the national anthem with the compelling imagery of bombs bursting in air! DuPont invented synthetic rubber. The gold standard was abolished. The FDIC and Federal Home Owners Loan Corporation, Employment Service, Public Works Administration, the FCC, Federal Savings and Loan, Federal Credit Union and Germany's Gestapo were established. Hitler was elected with 95.7% of the vote. Lou Gehrig and Babe Ruth were setting baseball records. Quite a few nations or governments fell or were ousted by peaceful and not so peaceful events during the revolutionary pass of Uranus through the sign of new beginnings, Aries.

Third, understand the aspects Uranus in Aries will make using the lunation cycle as your guide. Uranus in Aries will make SOME kind of aspect to EVERY sign in the zodiac. Take your chart and follow along.

Locate the Aries house(s) where the Uranus transit will take place. Watch that house start to rock, roll, jump up and down, pick a fight, or get aggressive as the planet of chaos enters the "ME FIRST" energy of Mars' favorite sign. Over the course of eight years, Uranus will join all the Aries planets in your chart, symbolizing an end and a new beginning for each planet ~ a balsamic phase ending and a new beginning. You will be wrapping up karma with each Aries planet and starting brand new life right after that. Look to see the various houses ruled by each of your planets in Aries to answer the following questions: Where do you need to take action and say ME FIRST? Where are you the initiator and beginner of things? What situations in these areas of your life are ending and need new beginnings? What areas do you want to shake up and change? Where do you want to break free or get a divorce from always having to always be in charge and the lead dog? It is time to free the chains that bind you and start a brand new phase in your Aries House AS WELL AS in the houses ruled by all the planets found in the sign of Aries. The ingress of Uranus begins a new zodiac cycle as Aries marks and starts a brand new 84 year cycle.

There will be a crisis of confidence opening square, requiring some sort of action for all the Capricorn planets in your chart as Uranus moves through Aries and squares them one by one. Think back to when Uranus was in Capricorn, from February of 1988 through January of 1996. Back then, a new story started in your Capricorn house and over the next eight years you will be offered the opportunity to change it into a new format. First up, of course, is Pluto, newly entered into Capricorn which Uranus will square seven times between now and March of 2015. Tie the new changes coming in your life back to when Uranus joined with Pluto three times between October 1965 and June 1966. Back in the 1960s, Pluto and Uranus joined to start a cycle that led to enormous changes in our society as the Civil Rights, Women's Liberation and Gay Pride. We'll go back and look at those changes to see what else is needed in the seven squares of crisis of confidence coming over the next five years.

Uranus in Aries will separate from and clearly observe each Libra planet in your chart as Uranus comes to oppose the Libra planets over the next eight years. When Uranus was last in Libra from September of 1968 to September of 1975, the rebellion of the 60s against the existing structures began to impact relationships. Uranus in Libra led to high divorce rates and restructuring of partnerships. Easy birth control was invented, controlled by women, permitting freedom in relationships. More balanced paychecks allowed partnerships to be re-evaluated as financial dependence was liberated. Freedom to love whom you wanted, creatively was seeded. Uranus will oppose all those beginnings and say how do you like the individual freedoms you have? We will decide on the status of gay marriage as a nation even as more people choose to live as singles in periodic relationships based on choice. The Uranus in Libra generation was born into times when the culture was learning that lies or partial truths were told to further political goals.

People born with Uranus-Pluto opposite Saturn in Aries will face profound changes managing the tumult described in their charts as their generation moves into power in society. Society will reflect that tumult back to them as they begin a new 84 year cycle around freedom to leave the control of authority or how to work with creative authority.

The closing square of Uranus in Aries to the Cancer planets in your chart allows all the traditional ideas about nurturing, parenthood, mother and support to be psychologically evaluated by the process of integration. Cancer planets in any chart will want to integrate and consolidate their learning by taking psychological, revising, or culminating action. How do you feel about your mother, childhood, home, family, nature of origin, country and your roots? It will be time to psychologically deal with all the Cancer planets and the house(s) the Moon rules to integrate or change the lessons learned. Uranus last traveled through Cancer from August 1948 through June 1956, redefining the nature of family as the GIs returned from the war and settled down into the suburbs to buy a house with a wife, two kids and a dog. Now we face record foreclosures as Uranus comes to square the Cancer concept of what a house or home is - a place to live or an investment vehicle?

There are nice aspects too! The Sagittarius and Leo planets in every chart get a lovely opening or closing trine. The harvest is here! The gifts of the planets in those signs are ripe and hanging on the tree. The houses ruled by planets in fire signs are bursting with energy. What DO the fire planets represent in your life? Harmony, idealism, inspiration, flow and ease describe the relationships between the fire ruled areas of your chart. Watch for abundance. Remember to push the energy as trines can be lazy.

A new cycle started between November 1981 and December 1988 when Uranus was in Sagittarius. IBM sold millions of personal computers to corporate America - lots of computers started to sprinkle across the desktops of America as mutable Sagittarius spread the technology of Uranus. The ability to access and possess libraries of higher knowledge reached masses of people, completely freeing, transforming and revising work and knowledge. What was going on in your life then? How will you use the wisdom and knowledge gained about visionary freedom combined with technological chaos back in the 1980s via technology to change your life and focus it on creation, playfulness and abundance as the opening trine of Uranus in Aries takes place to Sagittarius. How can you direct and create with the volume of information freed by Uranus' passage through Aries?

As Uranus moves through Aries, it will form a closing trine to all the planets in your chart in Leo. The Uranus in Leo babies born between August 1955 and August 1962, were impressionable

children when they learned their leaders were mortal ~ watching on television the chaos of the kings dying as the adults around them, their mini-kings and mini-queens, cried. If you stick your head above the crowd, you will be cut down. Now those babies will be running the world with the very clear ideas as Uranus moves through Aries in a closing trine to change is not a bad thing and can be survived and thrived in.

The Uranus in Sagittarius generation, February 1981 to December 1988, move into their thirties, settling into their free loving, visionary ways and start to get power. The Uranus in Leo generation, August 1955 to August 1962, figure out the impact of their crazy playful ways as they start to think about retirement and begin to leave their peak earning years.

We aren't going to know how Uranus in Aries turns out until we've lived through it. Time marches on and we are part of the Cosmic Dance of Life. Enjoy the awakening!

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