

# Astro Report—Grove of Artemis, April 10, 2009

Full moon in Libra April 9/10, called Pink moon/Awakening moon/Self-guidance moon/Egg moon/Planter's moon/Seed moon/Grass moon/Flower moon/Peony moon/Wildcat moon/Alder moon ☾

This full moon in Libra asks us to practice one particular relational skill: listening attentively with an open heart. The Libra moon reflects and balances the passion, fire and light of Aries' individuality and uses it as the basis for greater and deeper understanding of others. Libra is the mediator of the

zodiac, offering a fair, responsible and even-handed point of view. This is a wonderful opportunity to consider what others are feeling and thinking instead of just leaping into action and forging full steam ahead.

Venus rules Libra, and is still moving retrograde in Aries. Mars rules Aries, and is in Pisces, which serves to tone down Mars'

more aggressive side. This is really not the best time to push agendas and demand results.

Venus retrograde in Aries (childish, selfish). Mercury is in Taurus (careful and methodical thought; mentally focused on survival). Pluto is in Capricorn (reality check). Saturn is retrograde in Virgo (potentially raising the level of fear). These all add up to making it critical that we hold the intention to think about the needs of others more seriously than ever. Take a deep breath and commit to working out relational issues no matter what. Jupiter trines the moon and sextiles the sun, giving this lunation an optimistic tone and helping us to keep our eyes on the big picture.

The planetary positions and aspects during this lunation emphasize the need for resolution and raise questions: What areas of our lives demand deconstruction in order to be rebuilt on a new and better foundation? Is this situation worth saving? Would it be better to let it go altogether?

There are five planets in earth signs, encouraging us to ground and center. Five planets in water, asking us to tune into our intuition and emotions. Four planets in air urging us to connect to others. And three planets in fire wanting us to get going. Think about it...fiery action is not the best way to go right now. Wait. Breathe and wait some more. New actions will serve you best after the new moon on the 24th. Venus will then be out of water and back into fire (still going backwards).

If you are satisfied with the people in your life, this full moon is a perfect time to bask in the bliss of that. This is the best full moon of the year to celebrate the pleasures you share with your romantic partner, your workmates or your children. If you're not feeling the bliss, this is a wonderful full moon for working relationship magic.

This full moon invites us to enter into a sacred circle with everyone and everything you encounter. Talk less, listen more, learn from every word, every movement, and every action. Take in all of life: the joy, the pain, the suffering, the ecstasy, the extraordinary, the ordinary, the pure, the defiled, the ignorance and the intelligence.

Gather with others and celebrate togetherness, commonality, love and peace. Be fully aware of how your actions affect the people in your life. At your full moon ritual, be sure to acknowledge and enjoy the life and beauty all around you.

Libra drives karma (action) and puts us on the path of "right action." Right action is responsibility for every living thing on the planet. What we do to nature, we do to ourselves. Right action is accepting responsibility for yourself. Stop complaining about what others are doing to you and manage your own self—the only thing you really can manage.

*Blessed be!*

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Sun's in Aries, the moon is full in Libra on April 9th/10th.**

**Libra's open heart balances Aries' fire and passion—the basis for greater and deeper understanding of others.**

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