

# **AMERICAN TRANSITS**



**September 2022 through March 2023**

# INTRODUCTION

This is a presentation on the anticipated impact of major planetary transits for the seven month period from September 2022 through March 2023. Most of it will be with regard to what America can expect, but first I'll note some long term trends for the world at large. For all of 2022 transiting Pluto has lingered at the tail end of Capricorn representing what is hopefully the last gasp of authoritarian individuals for several years to come. In March of 2023, Pluto will transition into Aquarius where individual power will be superseded by collective power, but that transit will be short lived as Pluto will retrograde back into Capricorn again by mid-June. However, in mid-January of 2023, Pluto will return to Aquarius for a much longer sojourn that is interrupted only by yet another retrograde into Capricorn from around September through mid-November of 2024, and then after that the world may truly become more democratic in deed even if not in name.

So that is one trend that will affect everyone – the transition from several years of Pluto in Capricorn to what is hopefully a much more progressive period of Pluto in Aquarius.

The year 2022 has been dominated, of course, by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, and since mid-March the world's response has been a reflection of Saturn in Aquarius square the Lunar Nodes. Saturn represents structure and regulation while Aquarius corresponds to group work, and the squares to Saturn from the Lunar Nodes have added intensity to the mix. This has worked out mostly positively in terms of NATO's unified response to Russia. However, it need not be positive in all situations. For example, the USA Supreme Court has used group action this year to mainly unleash a very conservative agenda.

The impact of this interaction between Saturn and the Lunar Nodes may likely last only through November 2022, and after that it remains to be seen how well the NATO alliance holds together. However, in March of 2023 it will be transiting Pluto that enters into a long term square of the Lunar Nodes that will last for the rest of the year, and at this point we can only speculate of what might happen. However, it does seem clear that power (Pluto) will move during this time from the old structures (Capricorn) to the collective (Aquarius).

Also happening in 2022 from September through most of the rest of the year is the square between Uranus in Taurus and Saturn in Aquarius that dominated much of last year. This aspect has pitted the will of the collective against the desires of the individual, and thus, we saw many people

mocking vaccines and mask mandates that were designed to provide a greater level of protection to society as a whole. However, Saturn in Aquarius doesn't always manifest in a positive way, and thus, we have also seen instances where the collective has worked to take rights away from individuals as has been the case with certain police departments and the United States Supreme Court. Thus, collective rule is not always benevolent, but if it results in a more democratic process, then I'll take it.

On the home front in America for this time period, I see three major planetary configurations that endure throughout. The first is the much discussed return of transiting Pluto to its natal position that lasts the entire year of 2022 and will linger into March of 2023. The second involves the Neptune/Mars square in all of the various Declaration of Independence

charts that has been triggered by transits from Neptune in Pisces and that will be further stimulated shortly by Mars in Gemini. And lastly, there is an important opposition between Saturn and Chiron in the Declaration of Independence charts that is being triggered by transiting Chiron in Aries. Each of these aspects dominates the period from September through March, and we will discuss each one in turn.

The most important astrological event for America in 2022 has been its first ever Pluto return, the return of Pluto to its position at the inception of our country as measured by all the slightly variant charts for the Declaration of Independence. Since Pluto is traditionally the planet of death or transformation, mundane astrologers have long observed either the death or the renewal of countries following such an aspect.

Additionally, it is not uncommon for deep secrets to be uncovered during such a time as befits Pluto's mythological association with the underworld.

In America we have seen both sides of Pluto emerge so far. There are three geocentric Pluto returns for America in 2022, and they occur on February 20, July 11 (4 days away as I write this), and December 28. From a heliocentric perspective, however, planets never go retrograde, and thus, a single heliocentric Pluto return occurred on June 8. The first Pluto return occurred just days away from Russia's invasion of Ukraine, and we have since then been fighting a proxy war with this country that we've long considered to be an existential threat. Meanwhile, domestically, the January 6 Committee has been making great progress in uncovering those things that some would like to remain hidden.

Since the heliocentric return on June 8 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> geocentric return on July 11 fall in close proximity to one another, I've suspected all year long that we would see a peak of many things in June, and that is beginning to look like the case. Stunning revelations have come out during the public hearings by the January 6 Committee, but at the same time the unfounded claims by many Republicans that Trump won the election continue to be believed by at least a third of the population. And while we have seen a few profiles in courage, we have seen many more politicians and government officials act out of cowardice and self-interest. And all of this is on top of financial influences that have already resulted in a very distorted form of our representative government. The bottom line is that many agree that our democracy is currently hanging by a thread, and it is uncertain what forces will prevail in the long run.

In the Declaration of Independence charts, Neptune is in Virgo which is not its best position. Virgo likes logic and practical intelligence while Neptune dissolves all boundaries, and the result is a kind of misinformation and fuzzy logic that has long plagued American politics. Additionally, natal Neptune in Virgo and Mars in Gemini square one another, and consequently, muddled thinking in America has often turned into violent rhetoric which too often becomes violent action. The flawed arguments for allowing all Americans to own assault weapons are a case in point.

For most of 2022, this natal aspect has been stimulated by a transit from transiting Neptune that has been in opposition to natal Neptune and square natal Mars, and the result has been an explosion of fanaticism and violence. As Bob Dylan wrote, “How many deaths will it take until they know that too many people have died?”

Between September 2022 and March 2023, transiting Mars will also stimulate the natal Neptune/Mars square several times, and thus, I expect that our problems with violence will continue.

The third aspect in the natal chart that will be repeatedly stimulated in the coming months is the opposition between Chiron in Aries and Saturn in Libra. Saturn often does well in Libra by offering just the kind of regulation that is needed in order to create a state of peace and wholeness and to bring everything into balance. However, if expressed badly, then Saturn in Libra can result in one party trying to control others, and this results in a great imbalance.

Chiron, which was discovered in the late seventies, resides between Saturn

and Uranus, and as such, it serves as a bridge between the personal and the impersonal, between that which can literally be seen in the sky at night and that which is concealed. At its best, Chiron leads one to transcendence and enlightenment, but quite often some wounding is first required because it is only when cracks appear that the light can shine through. Consequently, Chiron has come to be associated with wounding and healing that may only then be followed by transcendence.

At its best in the Declaration of Independence charts, Chiron in Aries represents our country's unique recognition of the spiritual dignity and worth of each individual, and when this is integrated with our Saturn in Libra, we become a powerful doctrine and beacon of light that shines brightly for other nations. But when we fail to integrate Chiron with our

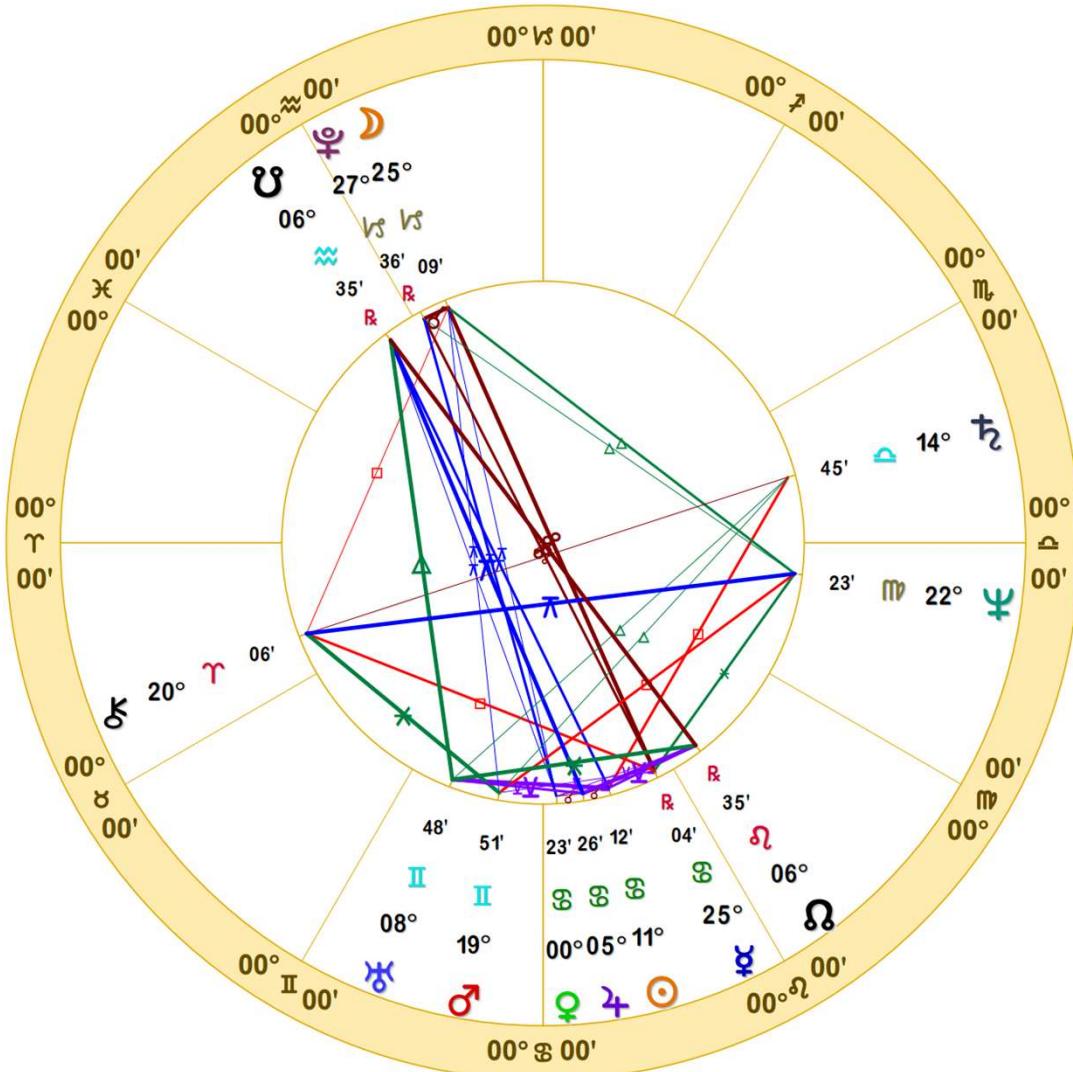
Saturn, the result is simply that we try to control either other nations or our own people or both. And in our country's history, we have seen both sides of this coin. Many of our founding fathers exhibited the best of humanity and no poet has written the song of oneself better than Walt Whitman. But at the same time, we also have a long history of controlling and suppressing others, and that includes our dark chapters of slavery and the mistreatment of Native Americans.

In the time period we are examining, the Chiron/Saturn opposition will be stimulated repeatedly. Consequently, I expect that many people will suffer, but for some this suffering will lead to healing, and for a few the end result will be a greater enlightenment. Some will come to realize that we should love our neighbor AS ourselves because our neighbor IS ourselves.

Everyone seems to agree that these are perilous times for America. Our democracy is in trouble, people deny the truths that are in front of them, violence and mass shootings are skyrocketing, and many of us are in pain. We are definitely going through a time of great transition, but transition to what? Only we can answer that, and only we can restore our path. In order for America to survive, people need to make the right choices and these choices are literally made on an individual level. It is up to each of us to do our best to restore the promise of America, and while astrologers have become adept at seeing the coming storms, even we don't know in which ways people will exercise their free will. Astrology understands the cycles and currents of history in which we swim, but it is up to each person to decide what they will swim toward. Astrology can see the paths before us, but it does not say which one we will take.

# PRELIMINARIES

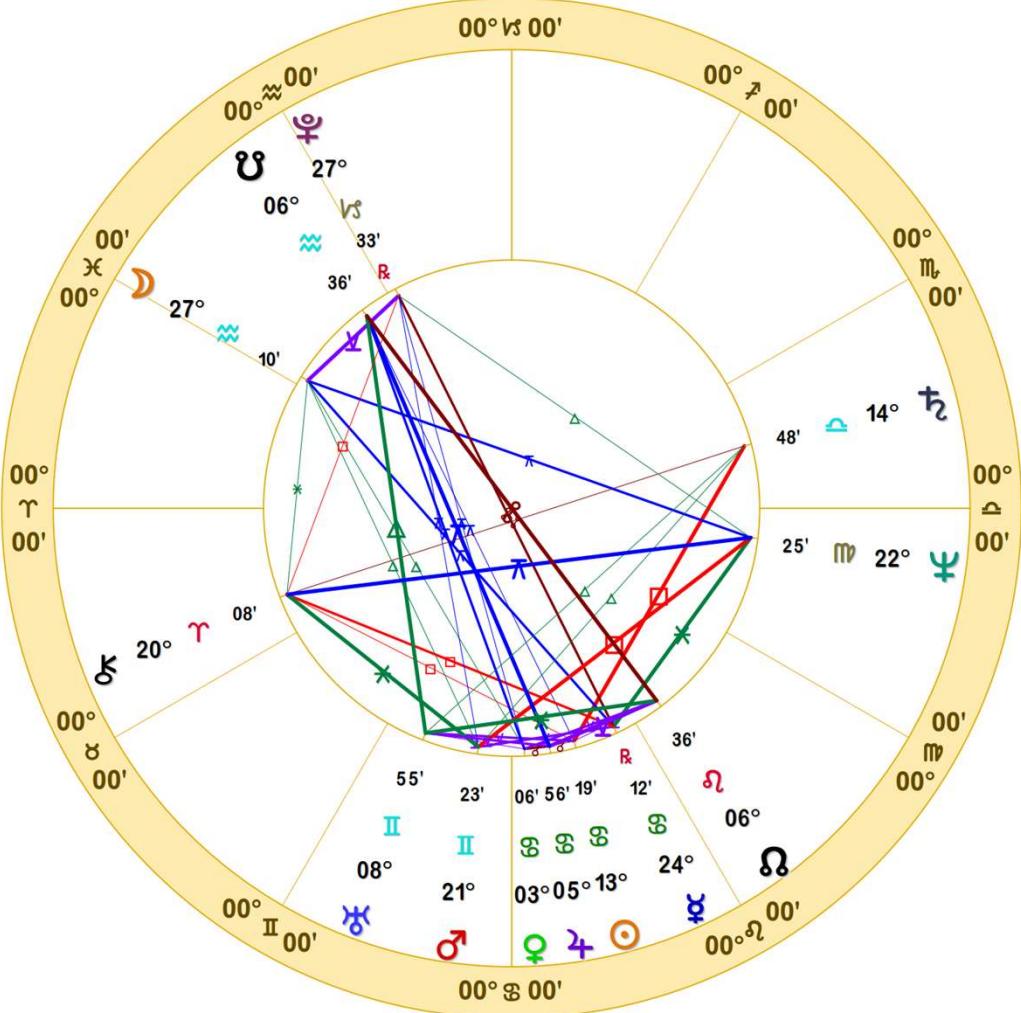
America may be headed toward quite a challenging time beginning with Fall of 2022. At its best, it might be a time of energizing innovation, transcendence, and renewal, and certainly some will walk along that higher path. However, the more likely outcome may be an increased likelihood of violence, revolution, wounding, and destruction. But before I begin, let me discuss a few preliminaries.



NATAL CHART  
**USA Libra**  
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 The Hanged Man  
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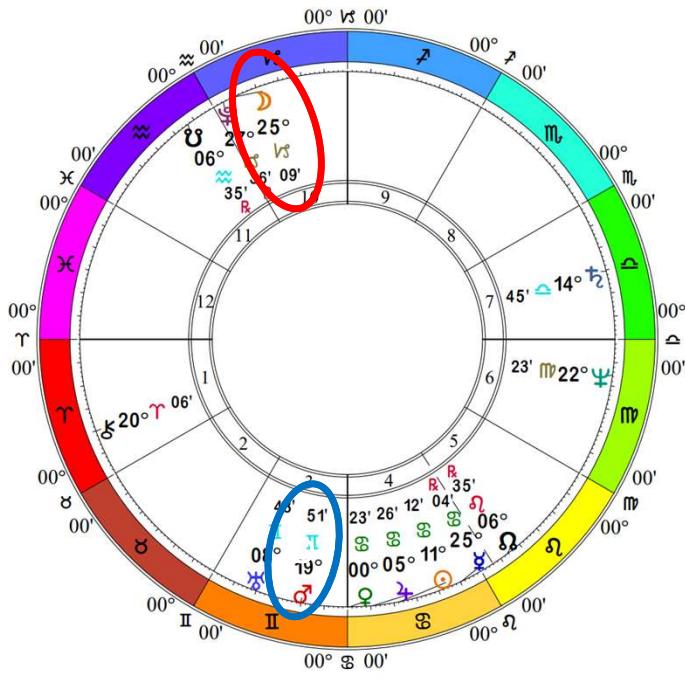
My preferred chart for America is generally the July 2, 1776, chart for the passage of the Declaration of Independence. Normally, it has Libra rising, but because I don't always have faith in mundane birthtimes, I often use an Aries rising chart.



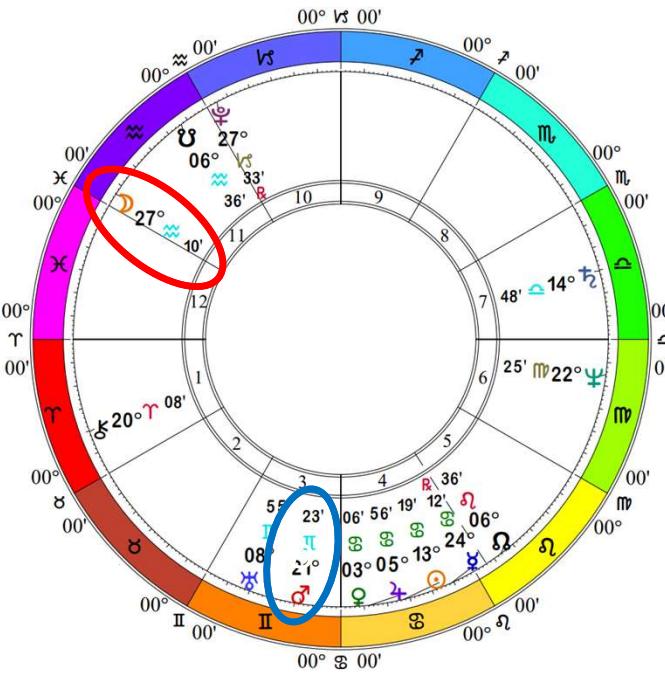
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For this analysis, though, I'll mostly use the popular Sibley chart for July 4, 1776, and for the same reason as before, I'll set this to have Aries as the natural 1<sup>st</sup> house.

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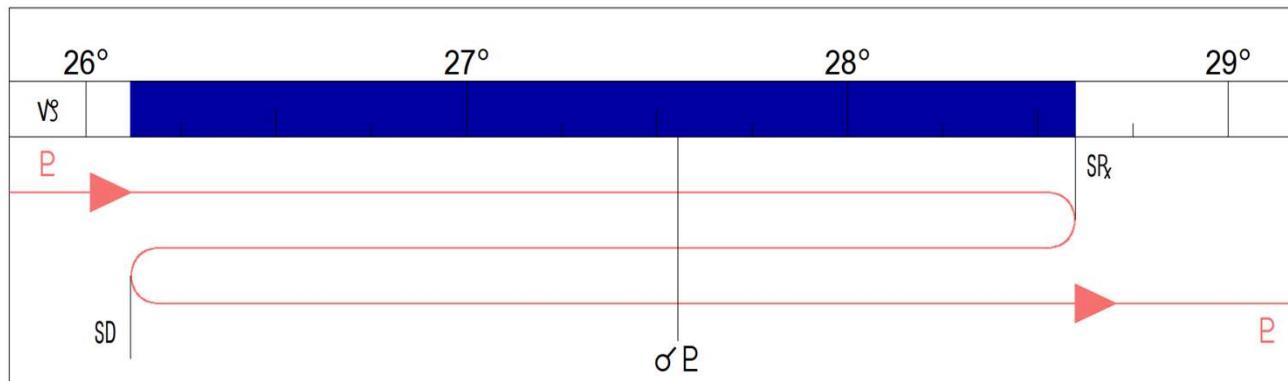
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The main difference between these charts is that one has the Moon at 25 degrees Capricorn and the other at 27 degrees Libra and that Mars has progressed a couple of more degrees in the Sibley chart. I'm going to use the Sibley chart because the aspects involving Mars will be easier to see.

## Pluto Stationary Retrograde 2022-04-29 in 04th House



2022-01-06 07:29 am  $26^{\circ}\text{V}807'$  P Enters Rx Zone

<sup>2</sup> 2022-02-20 01:52 pm  $27^{\circ}\text{V}833'$  P ♂ P

<sup>2</sup> 2022-04-29 11:24 am  $28^{\circ}\text{V}836'\text{R}$  P Stationary Retrograde

2022-07-11 11:12 am  $27^{\circ}\text{V}833'\text{R}$  P ♂ P

Pluto Conjunct Pluto (Retrograde)

<sup>2</sup> The symbol of the phoenix -- complete burning and regeneration or transformation.

2022-10-08 01:20 pm  $26^{\circ}\text{V}807'$  P Stationary Direct

2022-12-28 09:22 am  $27^{\circ}\text{V}833'$  P ♂ P

Pluto Conjunct Pluto

The symbol of the phoenix -- complete burning and regeneration or transformation.

2023-01-29 04:17 pm  $28^{\circ}\text{V}836'$  P Leaves Rx Zone

Also, there are some important planetary retrogrades that set the backdrop for this fall with the most important being the year long sojourn of Pluto that is conjunct natal Pluto in the USA chart three times this year. This brings a spectrum of changes from death to renewal as well as the uncovering of America's dark side.

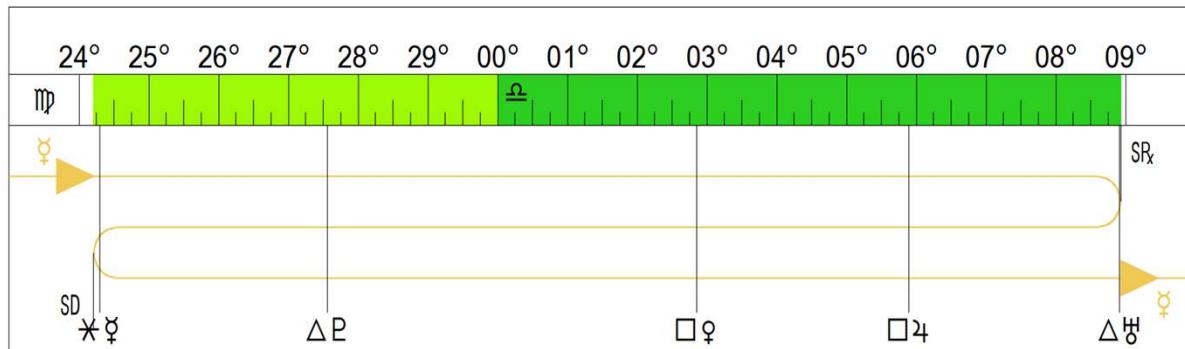
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In September of this year, seven planets will be retrograde, and that not only means that the energies of these planets will be turned inward, but also that we will be covering much of the same ground over and over again as these planets move through their retrograde zones.

## Mercury Stationary Retrograde 2022-09-09 in 12th House

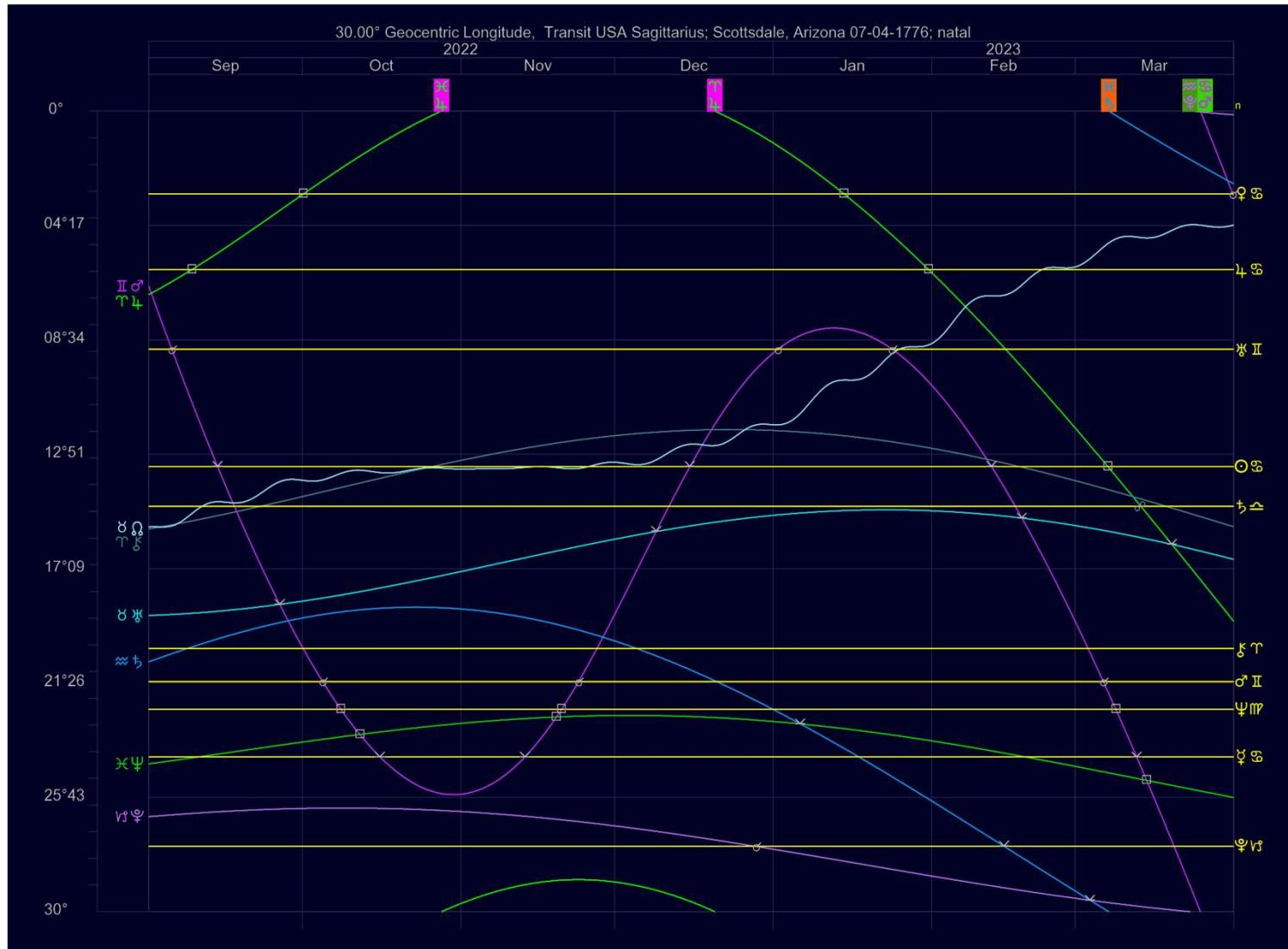


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 2022-08-28 05:19 pm 02° $\text{☿}$ 51' ♀ □ ♀  
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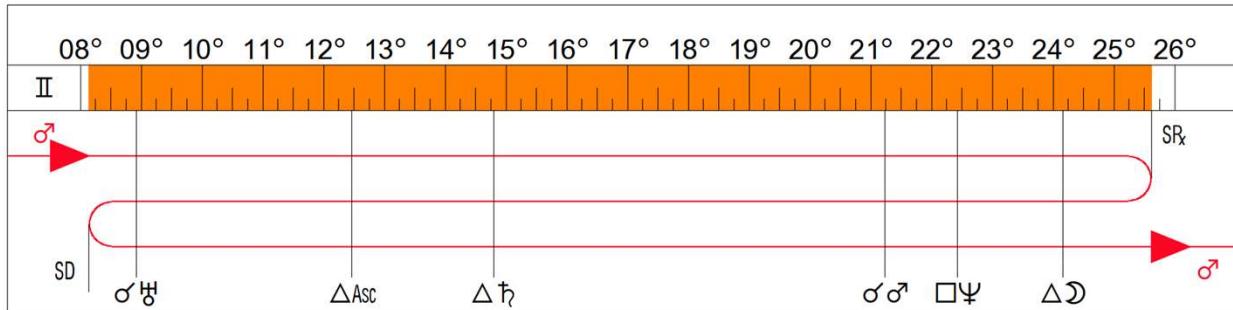
And to add insult to injury, Mercury will be retrograde in September, and it will make some irritating squares to natal Venus and Jupiter.

Aspect	Date	Time	Event	Type	P1 Pos	P2 Pos	EXL
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♀ - □ 4	09-01-2022	01:49 pm	♀ □ 4	Tra-Nat	05° $\text{☿}$ 53'	05° $\text{☿}$ 53'	Exact
♀ - □ 4	09-17-2022	07:58 am	♀ □ 4	Tra-Nat	05° $\text{☿}$ 53' Rx	05° $\text{☿}$ 53'	Exact
♀ - □ ♀	09-20-2022	01:26 pm	♀ □ ♀	Tra-Nat	02° $\text{☿}$ 51' Rx	02° $\text{☿}$ 51'	Exact
♀ - □ ♀	10-12-2022	08:52 pm	♀ □ ♀	Tra-Nat	02° $\text{☿}$ 51'	02° $\text{☿}$ 51'	Exact

But the real downer for the fall will be whatever carnage is wrought by the planet Mars. This planet usually spends a couple of months in each sign, but because it turns retrograde, it will spend about seven months in the retrograde zone in Gemini, and it will make some nasty aspects.



### Mars Stationary Retrograde 2022-10-30 in 09th House



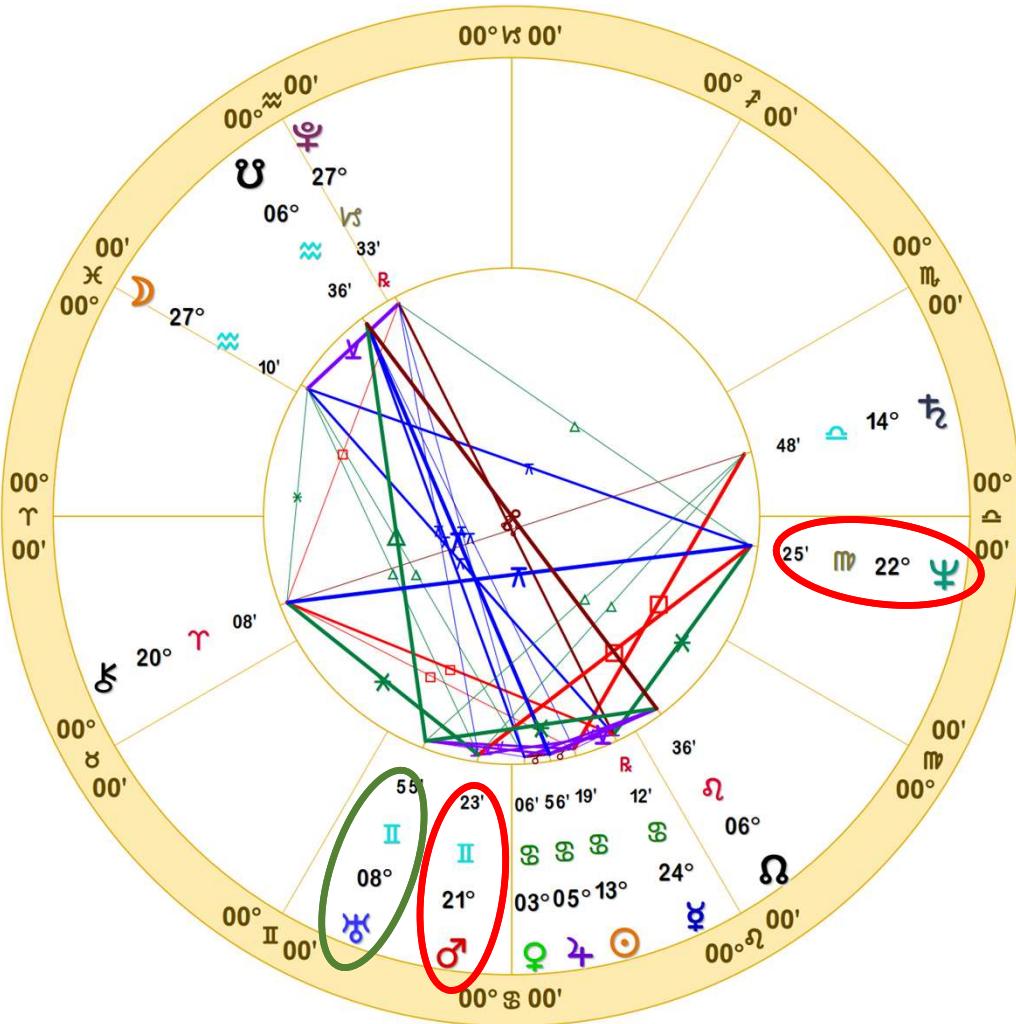
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2022-09-12	07:54 am	12° II 28'	♂ Δ Asc
2022-09-17	09:43 am	14° II 48'	♂ Δ ™
2022-10-04	05:13 am	21° II 14'	♂ ♂ ♂
2022-10-08	05:57 am	22° II 25'	♂ □ Ψ
2022-10-15	03:28 pm	24° II 09'	♂ Δ ☽
2022-10-30	06:29 am	25° II 37' Rx	♂ Stationary Retrograde

In particular, we will experience transiting Mars conjunct natal Uranus, conjunct natal Mars, and square natal Neptune three times between the beginning of September 2022 and the end of March 2023.

Aspect	Date	Time	Event	Type	P1 Pos	P2 Pos	EXL
♂ -- ♂ ☽	09-05-2022	04:16 am	♂ ♂ ☽	Tra-Nat	08°Ⅱ55'	08°Ⅱ55'	Exact
♂ -- ♂ ♂	10-04-2022	05:12 am	♂ ♂ ♂	Tra-Nat	21°Ⅱ14'	21°Ⅱ14'	Exact
♂ -- □ ♀	10-08-2022	05:59 am	♂ □ ♀	Tra-Nat	22°Ⅱ25'	22°Ⅲ25'	Exact
♂ -- □ ♀	11-20-2022	08:36 am	♂ □ ♀	Tra-Nat	22°Ⅱ25'Rx	22°Ⅲ25'	Exact
♂ -- ♂ ♂	11-24-2022	02:47 am	♂ ♂ ♂	Tra-Nat	21°Ⅱ14'Rx	21°Ⅱ14'	Exact
♂ -- ♂ ☽	01-01-2023	05:20 pm	♂ ♂ ☽	Tra-Nat	08°Ⅱ55'Rx	08°Ⅱ55'	Exact
♂ -- ♂ ☽	01-23-2023	09:09 pm	♂ ♂ ☽	Tra-Nat	08°Ⅱ55'	08°Ⅱ55'	Exact
♂ -- ♂ ♂	03-05-2023	09:27 pm	♂ ♂ ♂	Tra-Nat	21°Ⅱ14'	21°Ⅱ14'	Exact
♂ -- □ ♀	03-08-2023	04:06 pm	♂ □ ♀	Tra-Nat	22°Ⅱ25'	22°Ⅲ25'	Exact

Near the dates above, transiting Mars might trigger positive vision and innovation in some, but more likely anger, revolution, and misinformation in most.

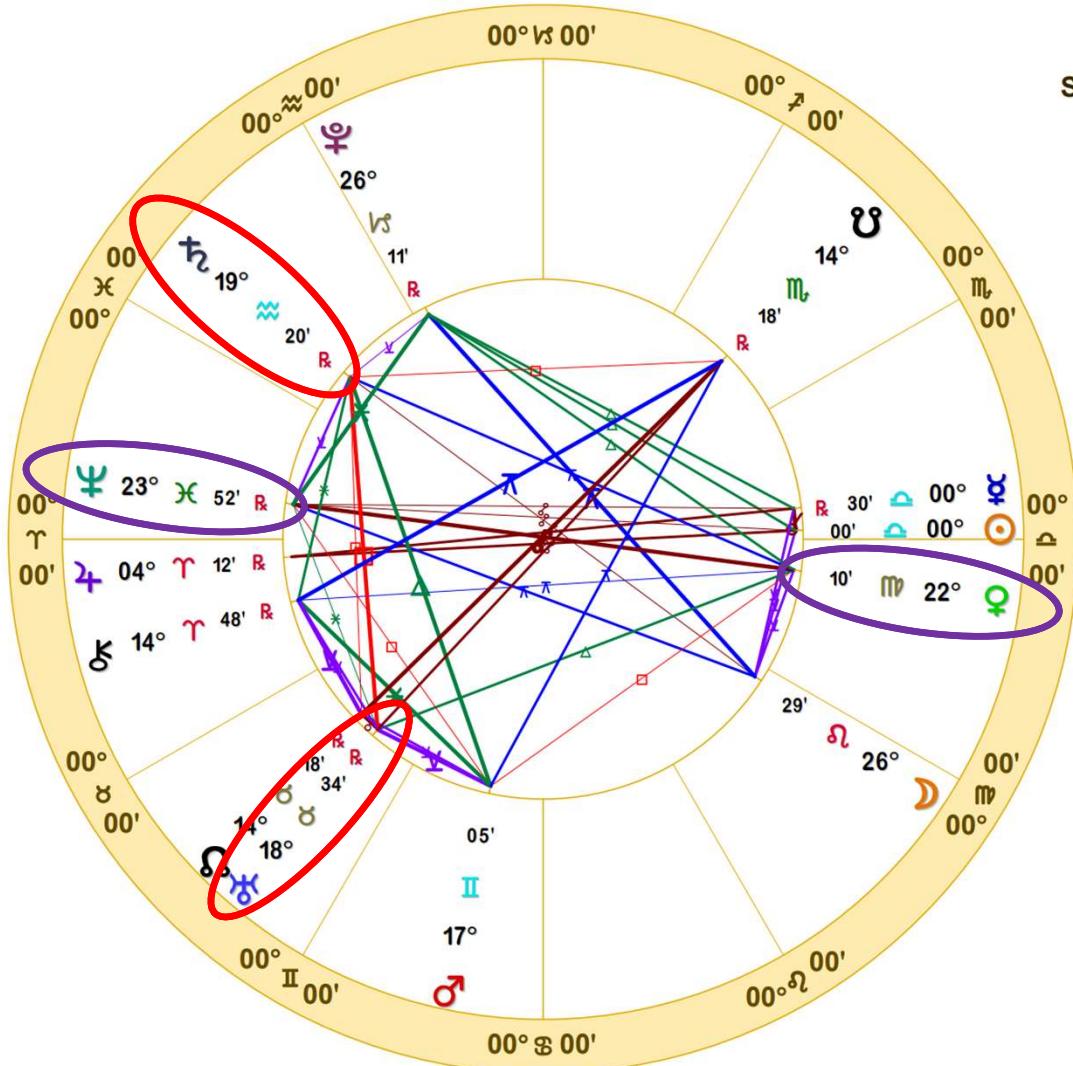
Also important are the dates on which a planet makes a conjunction, goes retrograde, turns direct, or changes sign.



NATAL CHART  
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 Philadelphia, PA  
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In the USA July 4 chart, Neptune in Virgo represents our capacity for twisted logic and self-deception, and with Mars in Gemini strongly squaring Neptune, too often our muddled logic leads to dangerous rhetoric and social violence. Furthermore, Uranus in Gemini reflects our revolutionary spirit in both science and politics.



#### NATAL CHART

**Sun enters Lib 9-23-2022**

September 22, 2022

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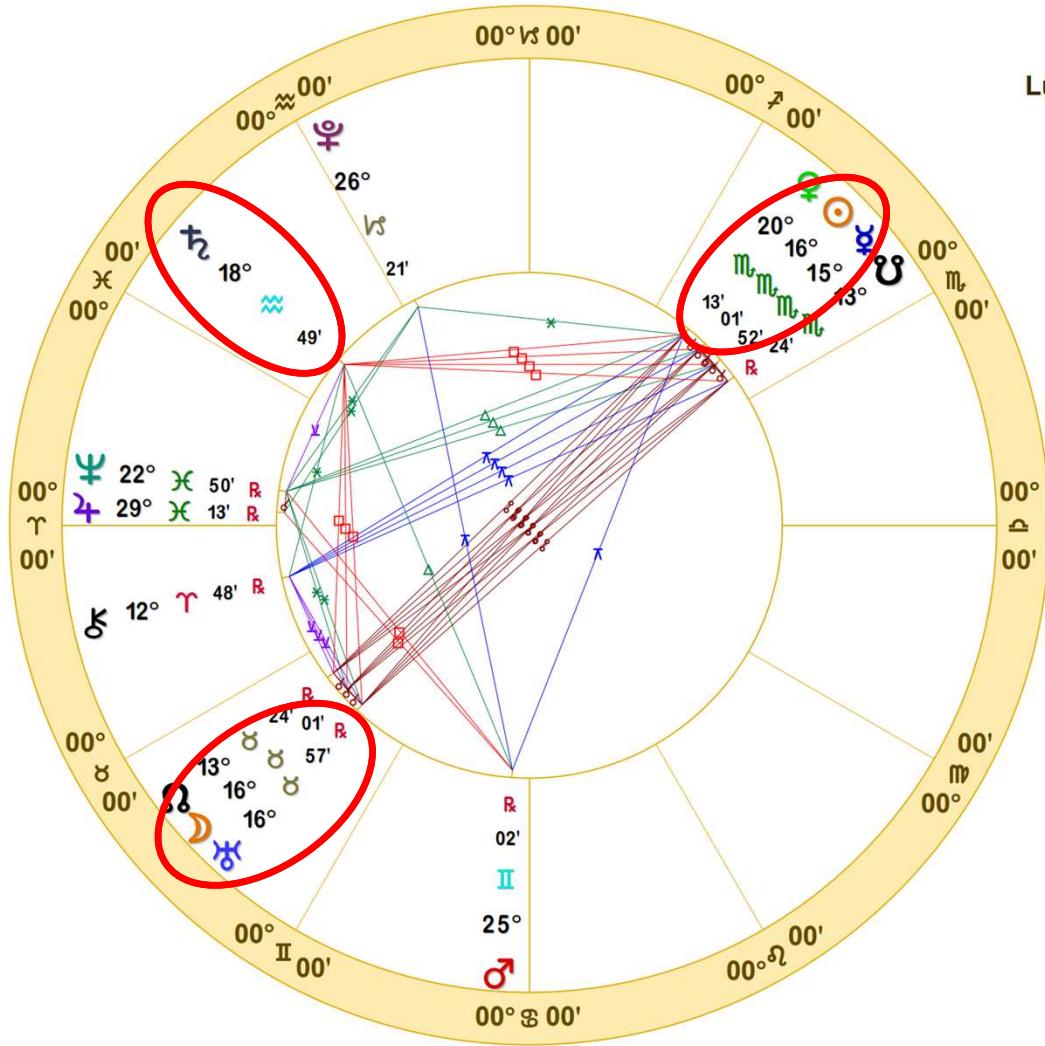
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#### NATAL CHART

##### Lunar Eclipse Nov 8 2022

November 8, 2022

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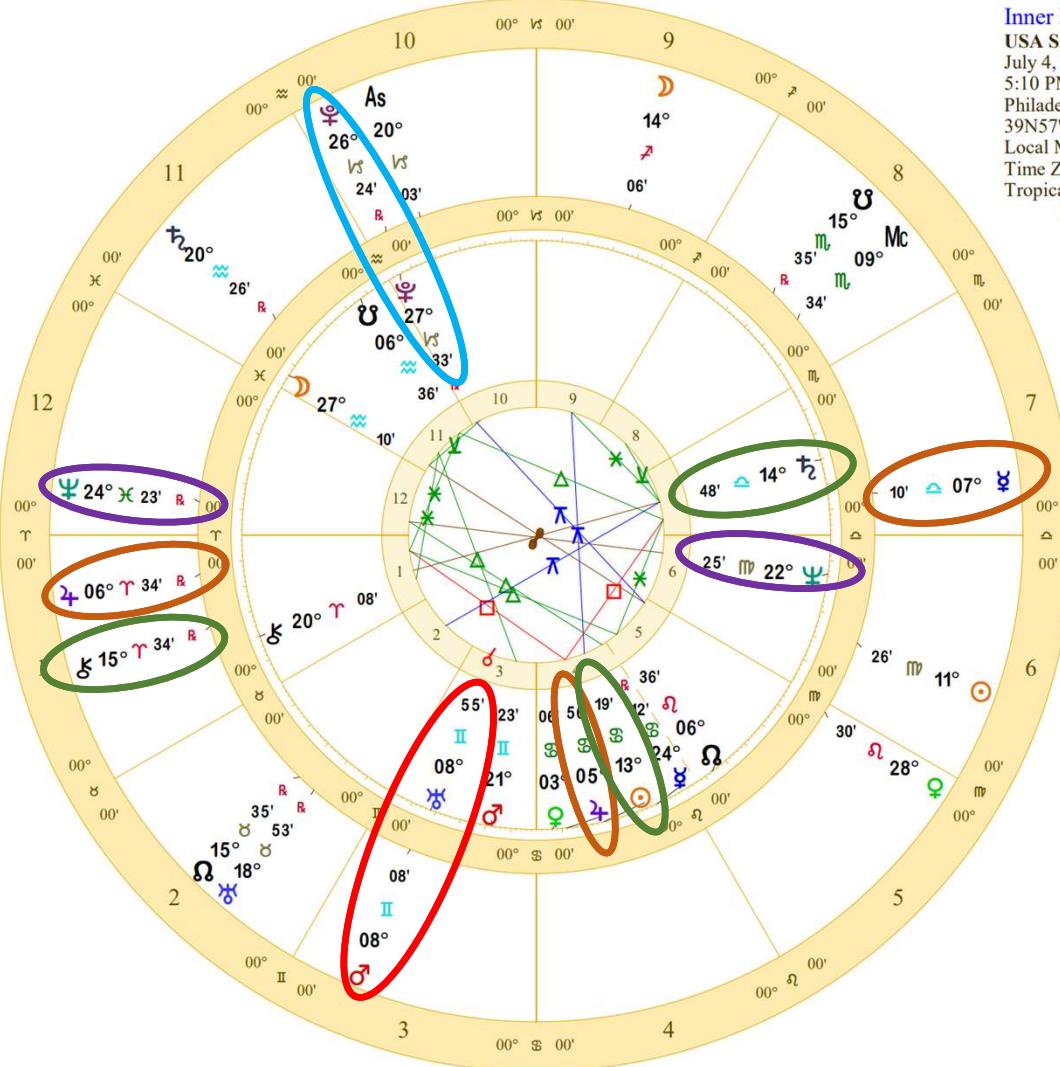
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Additionally, the November 8 Lunar Eclipse will coincide with political elections in America, and this eclipse will be quite stinker. The tight conjunction of Uranus with the Moon and the strong square from Saturn will create frustration and revolution worldwide. But now let's look at some other important dates for America.

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# THE TRANSITS



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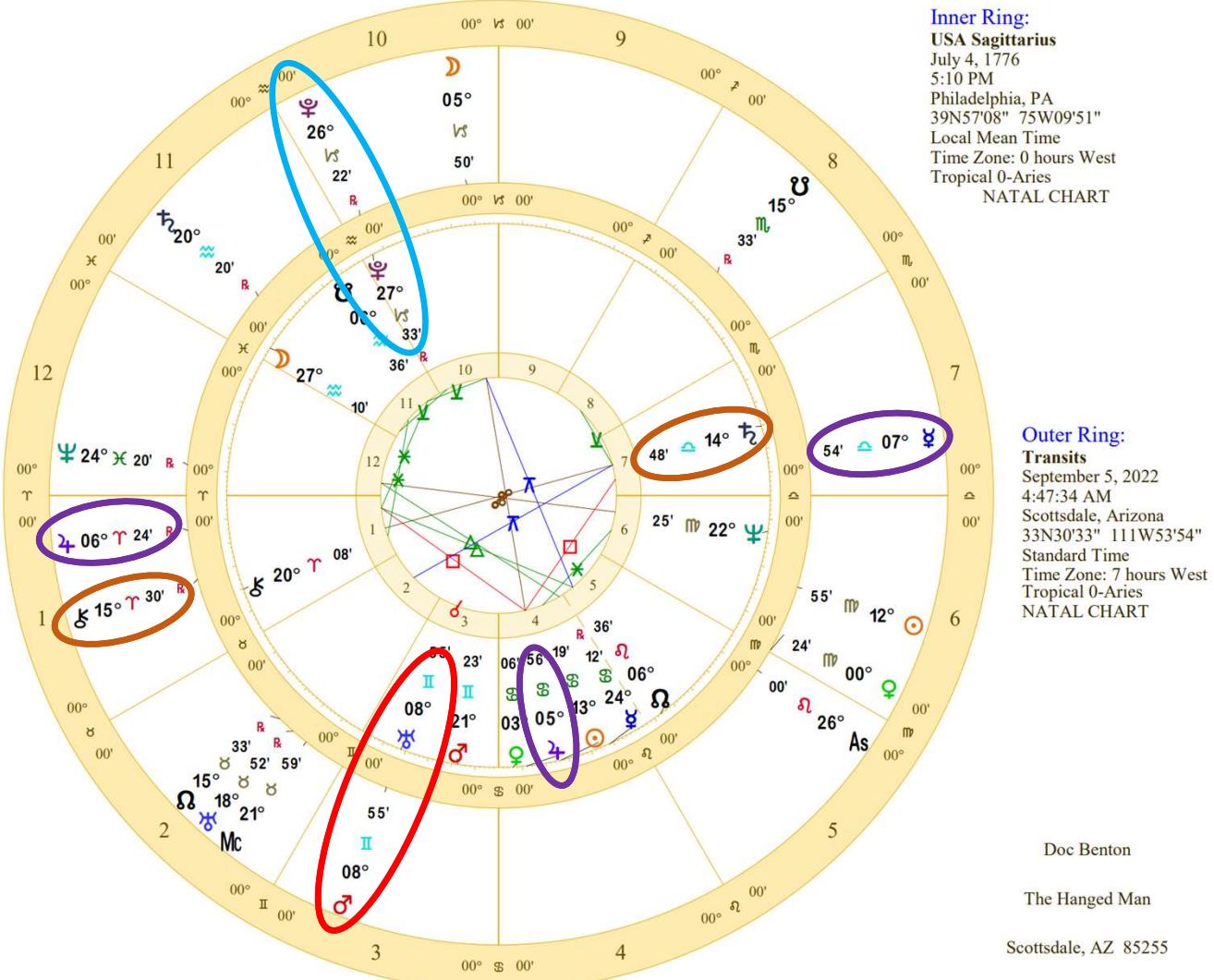
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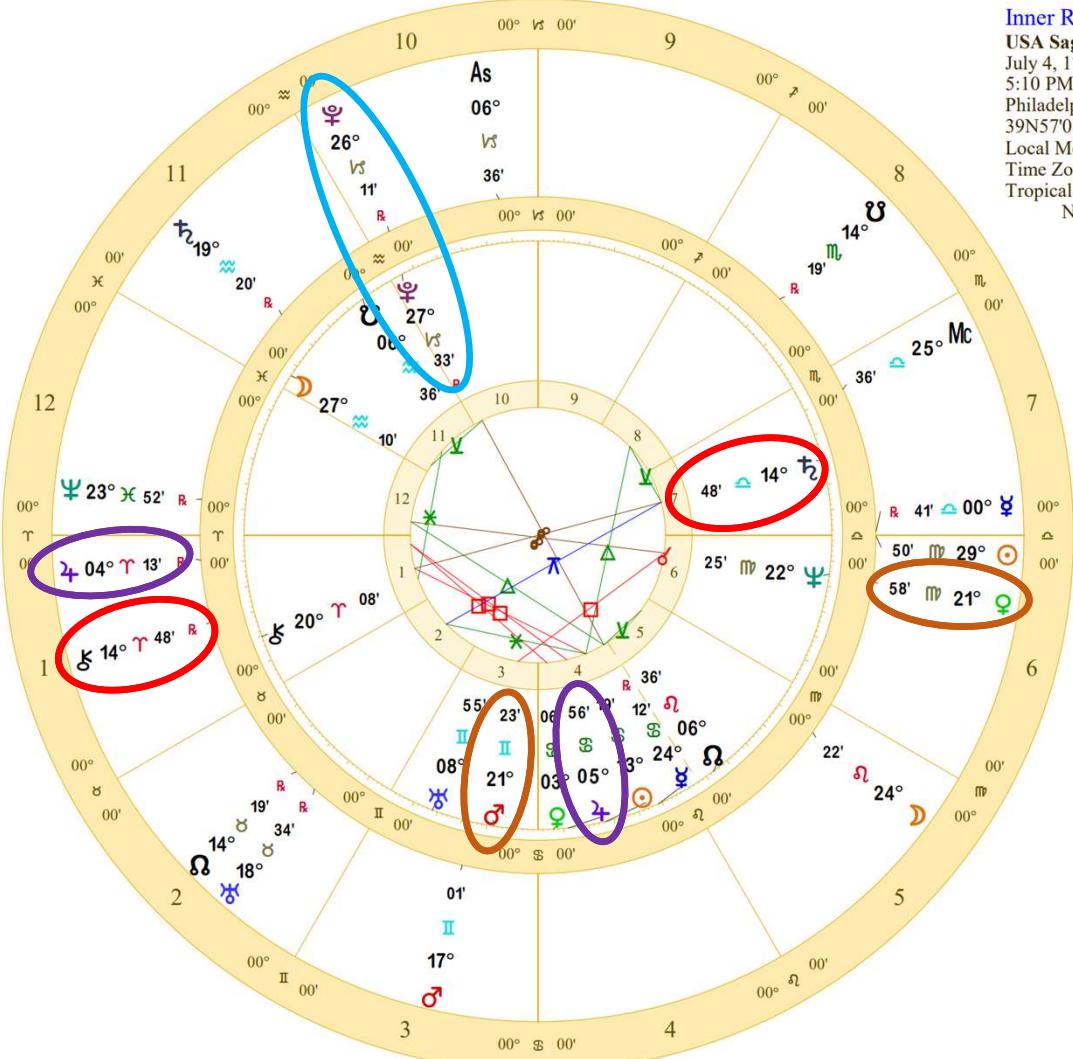
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**On September 3,  
transiting Mars enters  
the retrograde zone and  
is conjunct natal Uranus,  
transiting Chiron forms a  
T-Square with natal  
Saturn and Sun,  
transiting Jupiter forms a  
T-Square with transiting  
Mercury and natal  
Jupiter, transiting  
Neptune is in opposition  
to natal Neptune, and  
transiting Pluto is  
conjunct natal Pluto.**



On September 5, Transiting Mars conjunct Uranus could bring either scientific innovation, angry rhetoric, or revolution in the streets.

Transiting Chiron opposite Saturn will enlighten some and wound others. And transiting Jupiter in Aries and Mercury in Libra squaring natal Jupiter in Cancer will force choices between action, security, and social justice. And transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.



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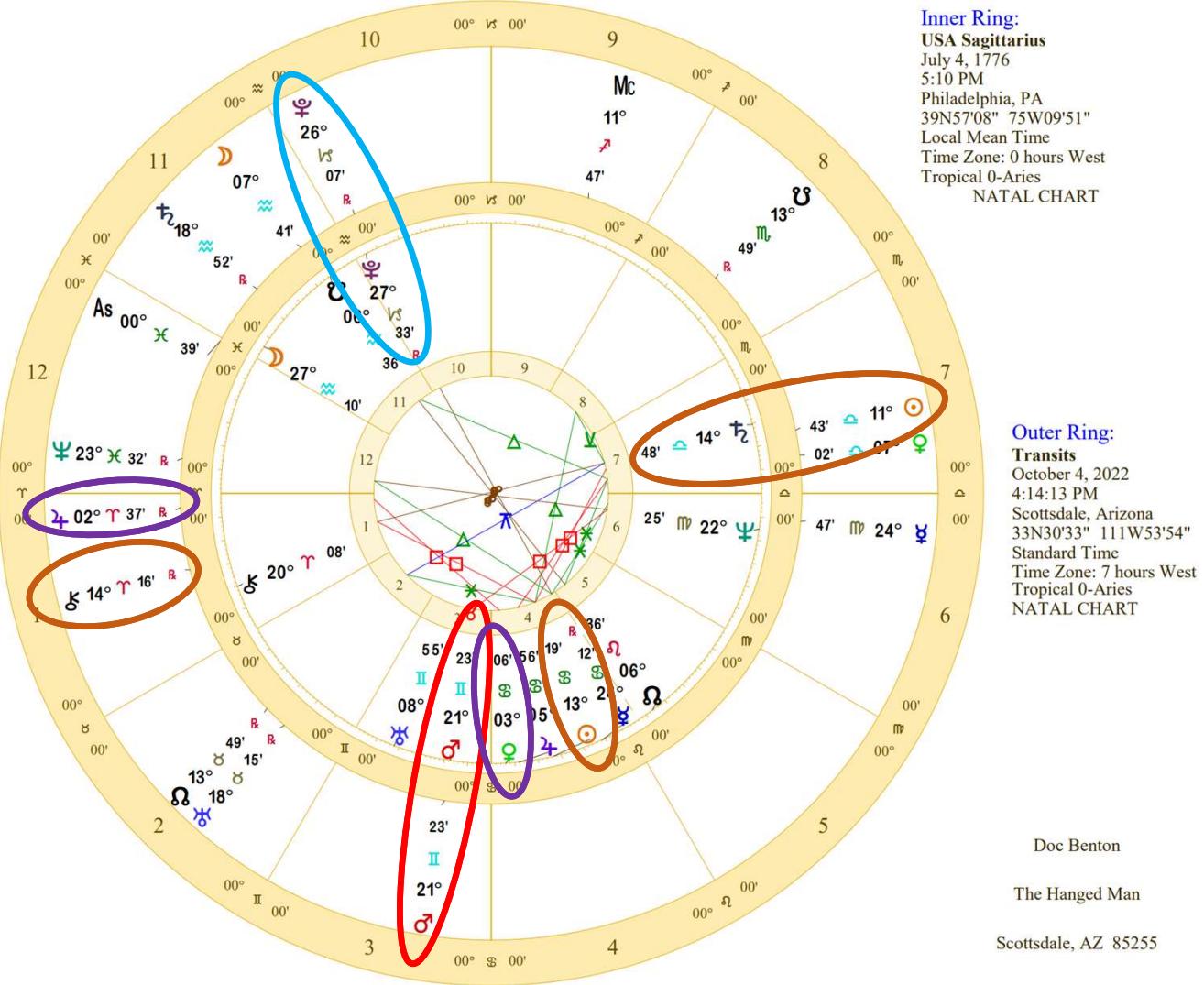
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**On September 22, the date of the Fall Equinox, the opposition between transiting Chiron and natal Saturn will be exact, transiting Venus will trigger natal Mars, and the square between transiting and natal Jupiter will still be strong. Keep an eye out for more wounding! And transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.**

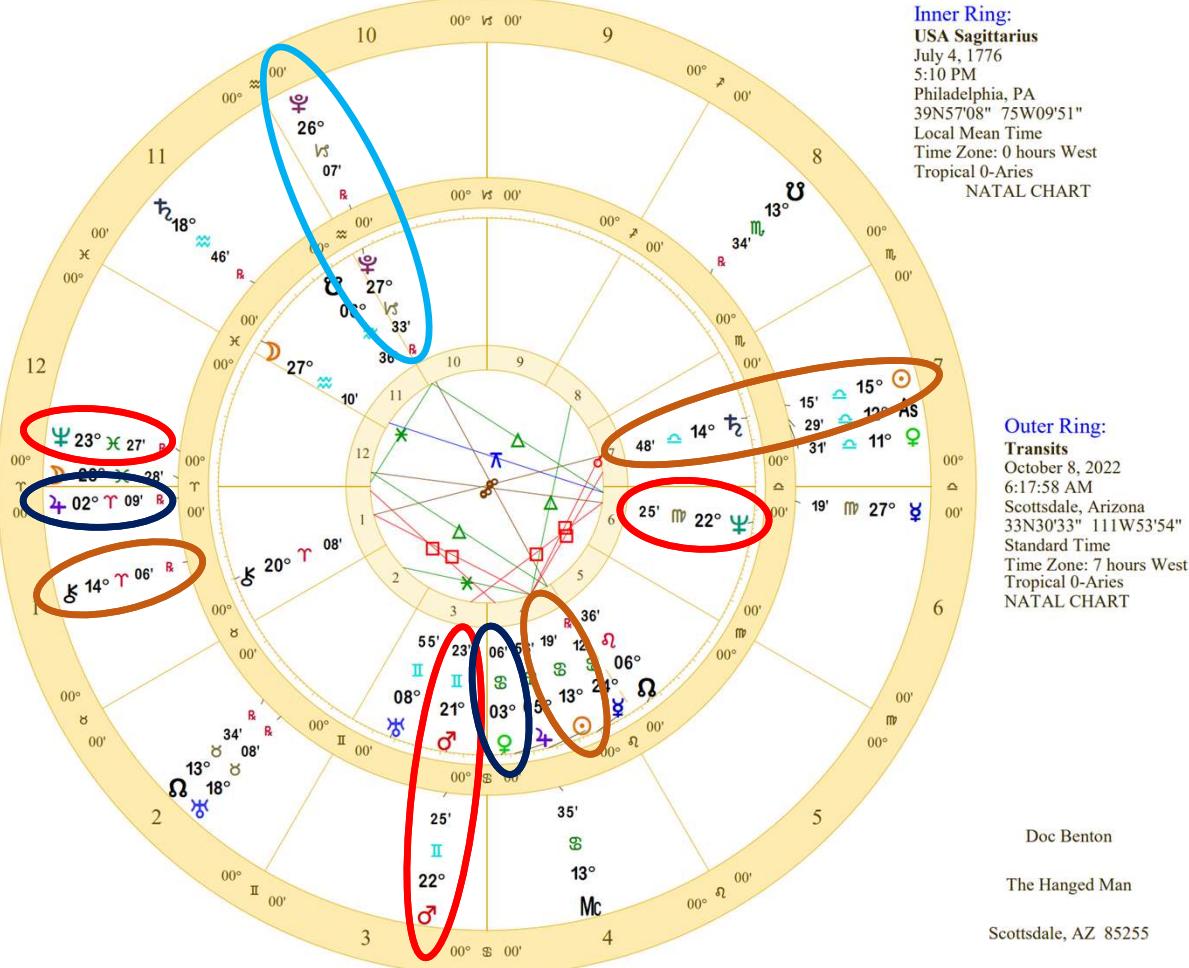


On October 4, transiting Mars is exactly conjunct natal Mars, transiting Jupiter makes a strong square to natal Venus, and transiting Chiron, transiting Sun, natal Saturn, and natal Sun all form a strong T-Square, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.

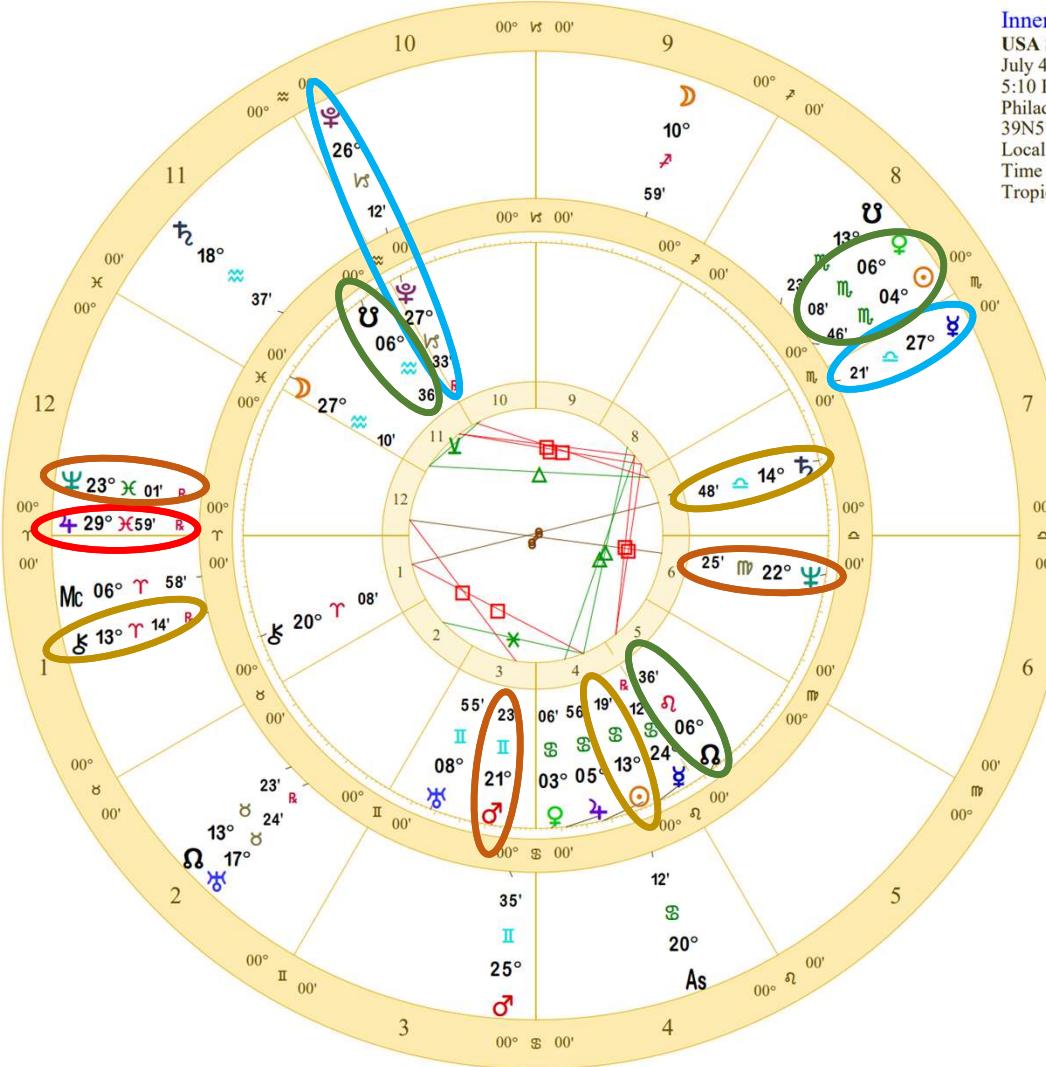
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On October 8, transiting Mars is exactly square natal Neptune, and natal Neptune, transiting Mars and Neptune form a T-Square, transiting Chiron, natal Saturn, transiting Sun, and natal Sun form a T-square, transiting Jupiter strongly squares natal Venus, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto. Also, transiting Pluto turns direct on this day.

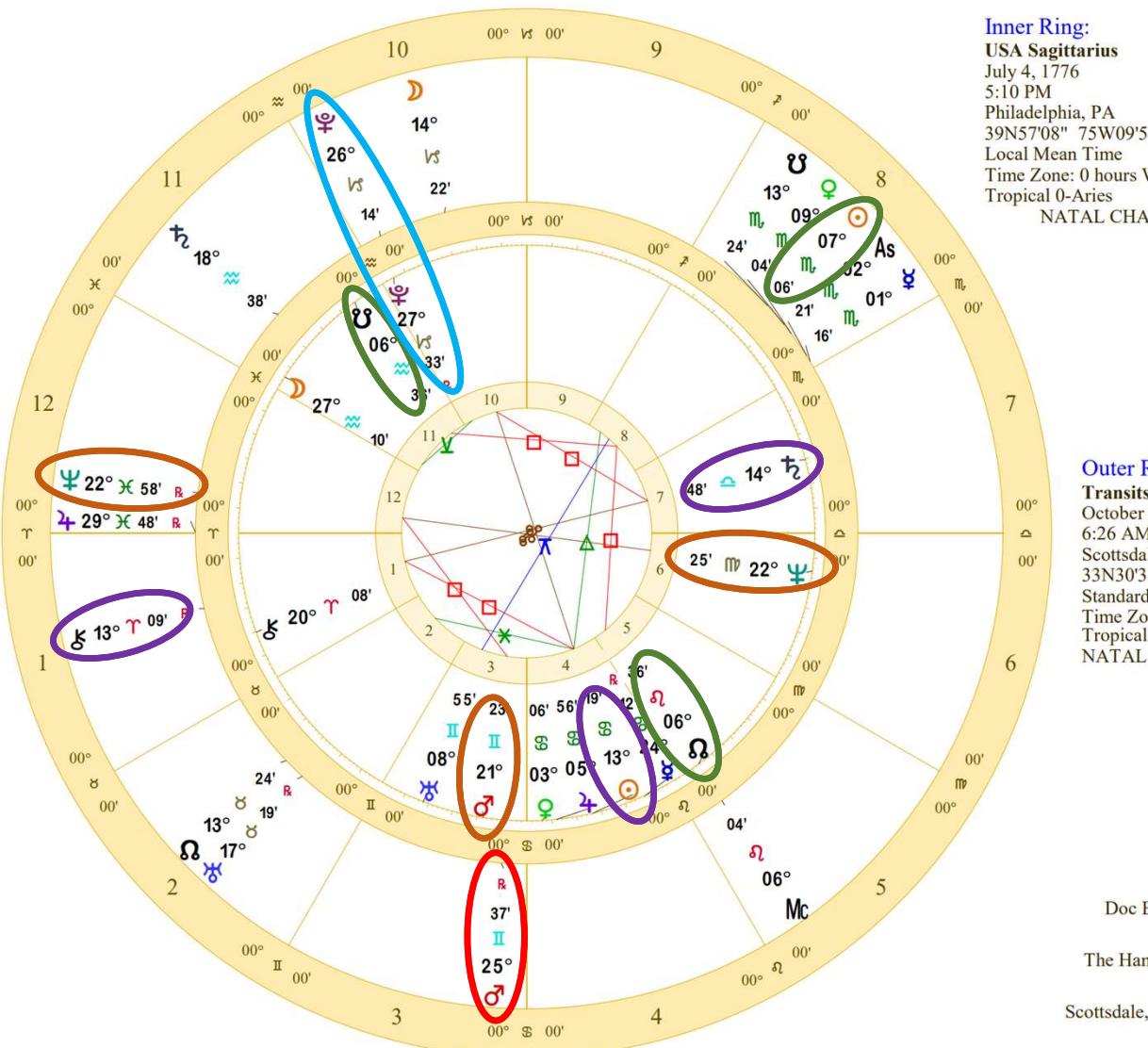


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On October 27,  
transiting Jupiter  
retrogrades back into  
Pisces, transiting  
Neptune, natal Neptune,  
and natal Mars form a T-  
Square, transiting  
Chiron, natal Saturn, and  
natal Sun form a T-  
Square, transiting Sun  
and Venus and the natal  
Lunar Nodes form a T-  
Square, and natal Pluto  
is conjunct transiting  
Pluto and squared by  
transiting Mercury.

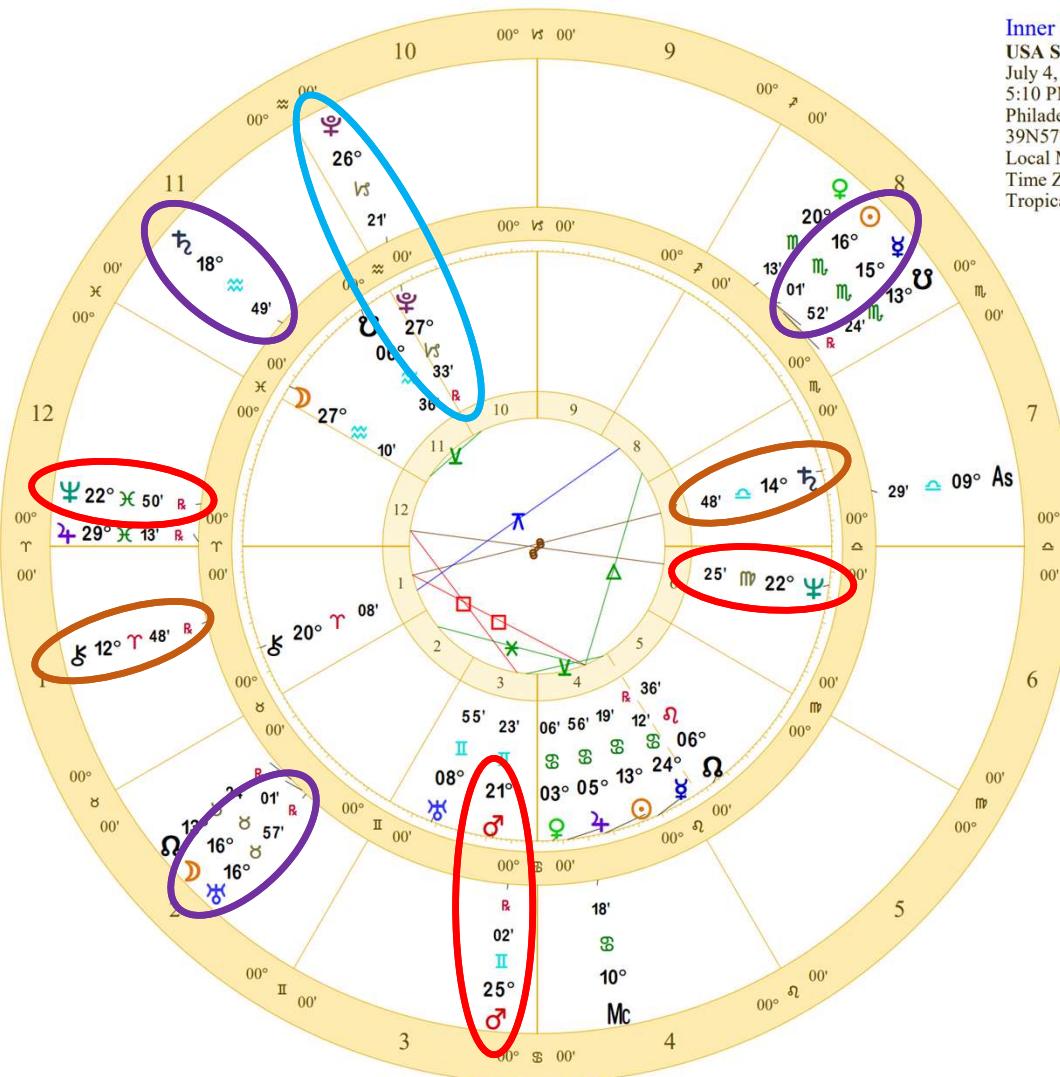


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On October 30,  
transiting Mars turns  
retrograde, transiting  
Neptune, natal  
Neptune, and natal  
Mars form a T-Square,  
transiting Chiron, natal  
Sun, and natal Saturn  
form a T-Square, the  
natal Lunar Nodes and  
transiting Sun form a  
T-Square, and  
transiting Pluto is still  
conjunct natal Pluto.

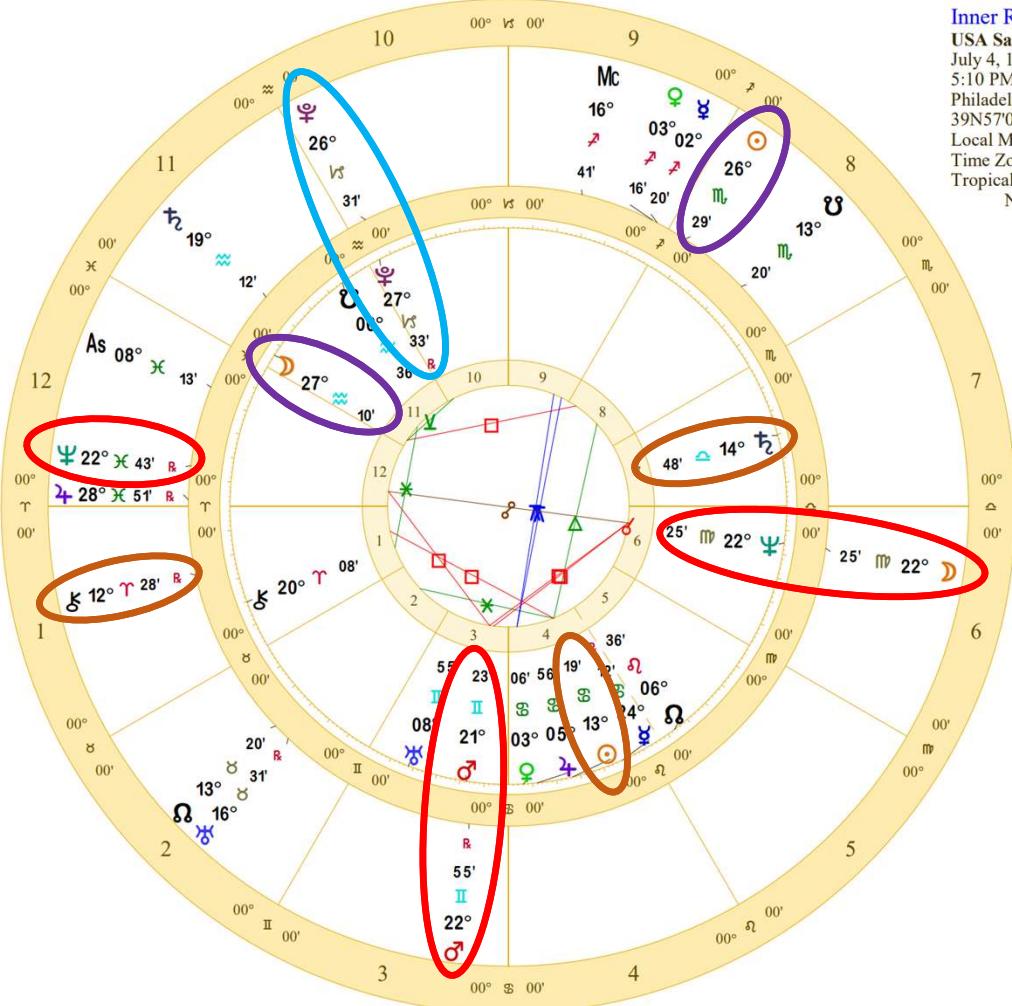


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On November 8,  
during the Lunar  
Eclipse and USA  
elections, transiting  
 Sun, Mercury, Moon,  
 Uranus, and Saturn  
 form a T-Square,  
 transiting Neptune  
 and Mars and natal  
 Neptune and Mars  
 form a T-Square,  
 transiting Chiron is  
 opposite natal Saturn,  
 and transiting Pluto is  
 still conjunct natal  
 Pluto.



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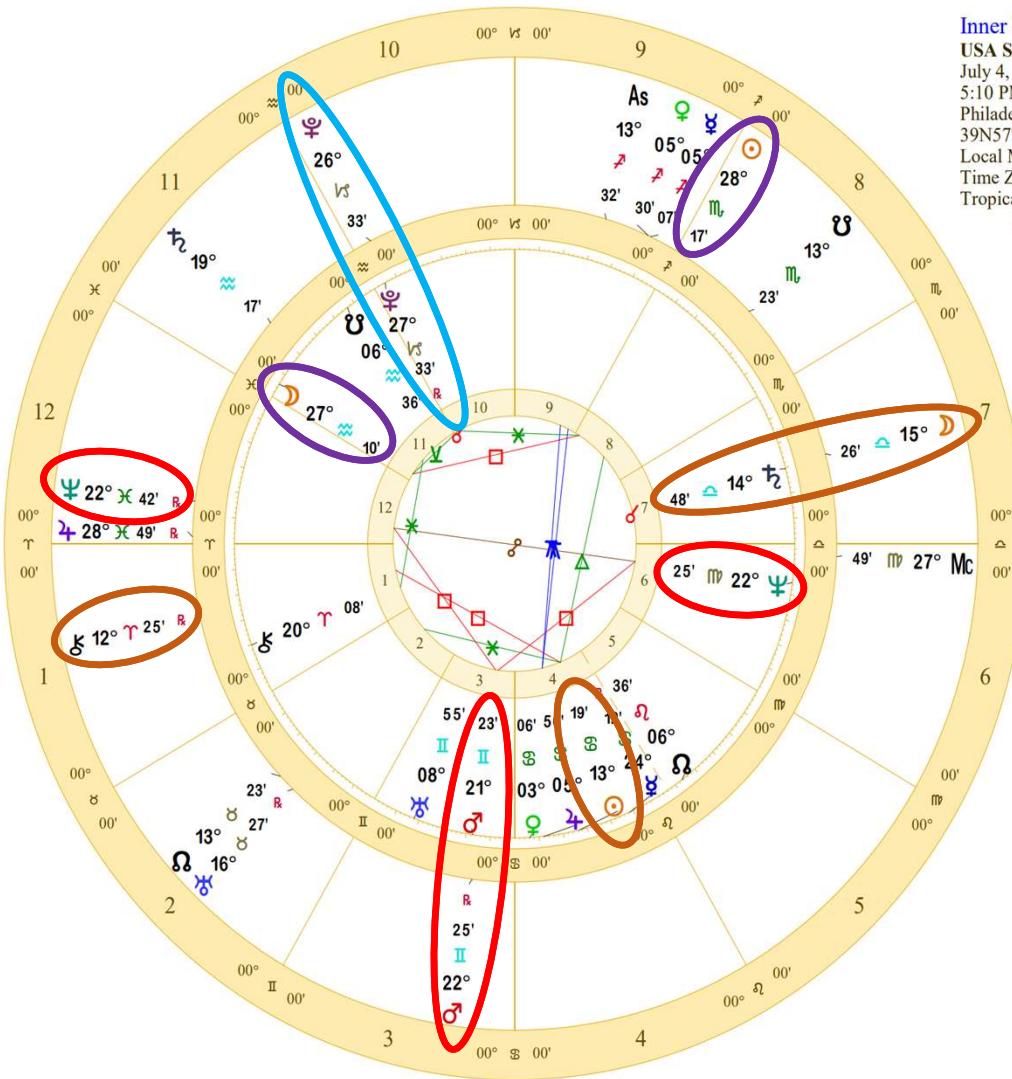
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NATAL CHART

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**On November 18,  
transiting Moon is exactly  
conjunction natal Neptune,  
and a T-Square is formed  
with those planets,  
transiting Neptune and  
Mars, and natal Mars, a T-  
Square is there involving  
transiting Chiron and natal  
Sun and Saturn, transiting  
Sun is squaring natal  
Moon, and transiting Pluto  
is still conjunction natal Pluto.**

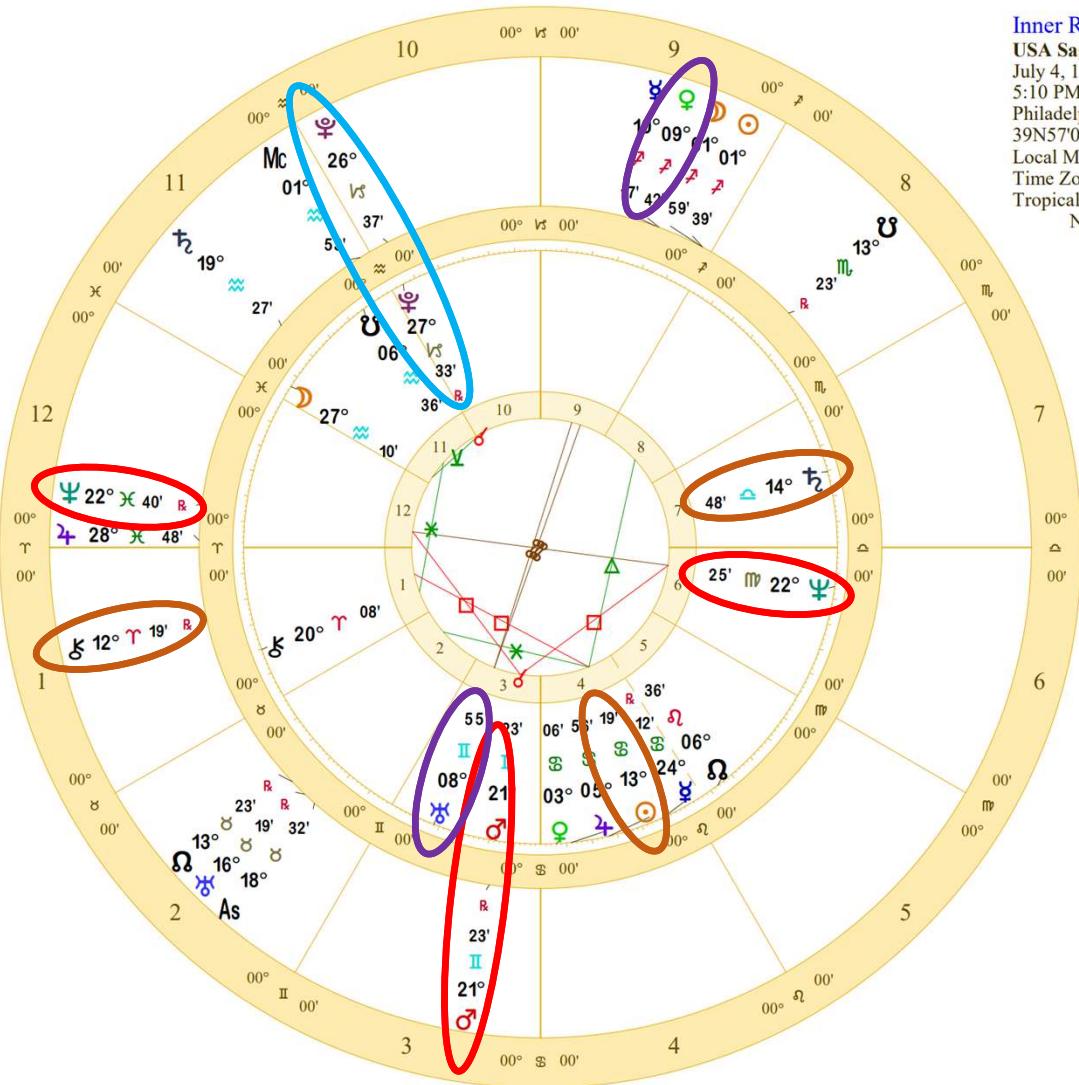


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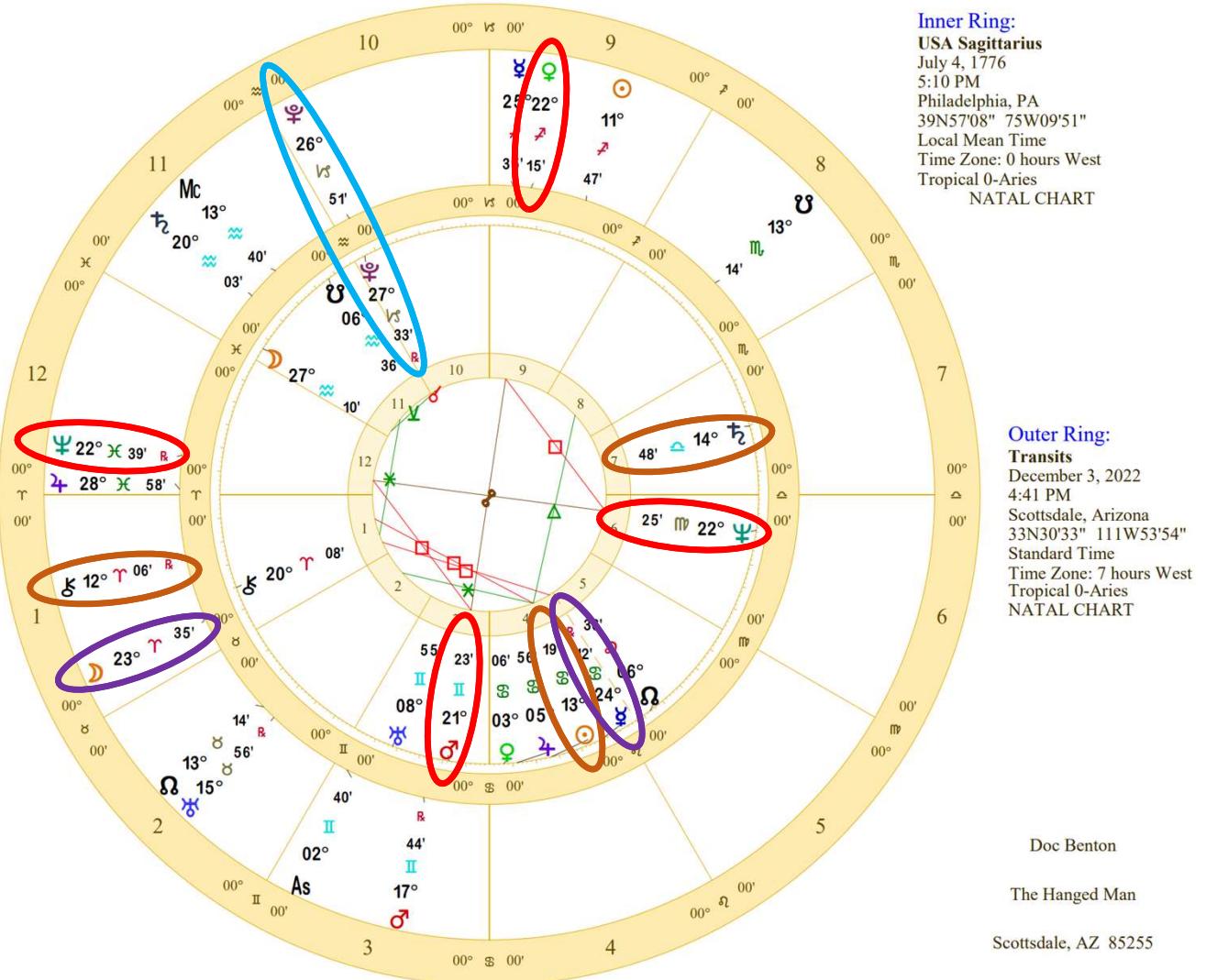
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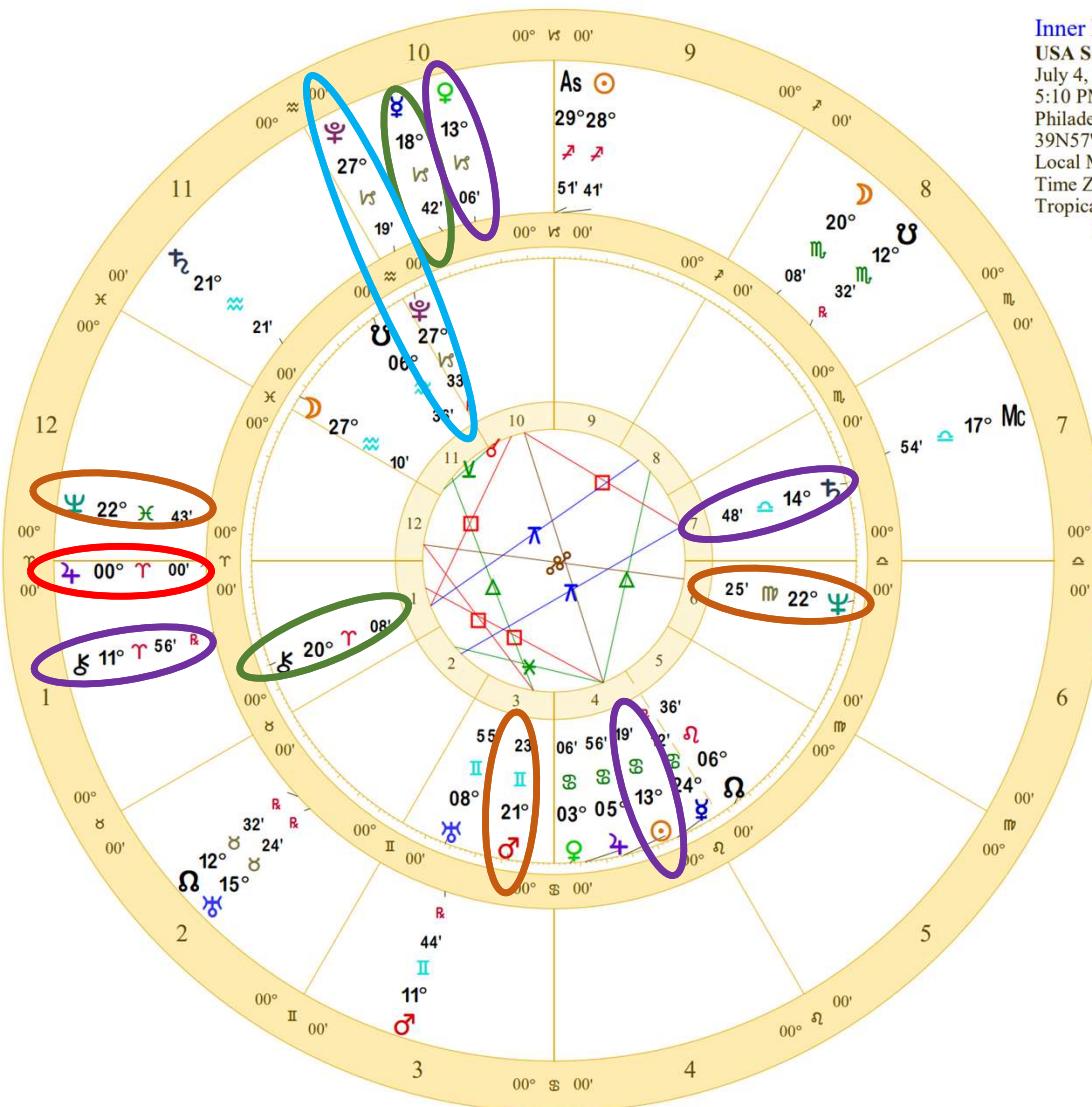
On November 20, transiting Mars makes an exact square to natal Neptune and completes a T-Square with that planet and natal Mars and transiting Neptune as well. There is also another T-Square involving transiting Chiron and Moon, natal Saturn, and natal Sun. And transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto, and transiting Jupiter turns direct.



On November 23,  
transiting Mars is  
exactly conjunct natal  
Mars and completes a  
T-Square that also  
involves transiting and  
natal Neptune.  
Transiting Chiron, natal  
Saturn, and natal Sun  
form another T-Square,  
and transiting Venus is  
opposite natal Uranus  
while transiting Pluto is  
still conjunct natal  
Pluto.



On December 3, Neptune goes retrograde, and transiting Neptune, natal Neptune, natal Mars, and transiting Venus form a grand cross. There is also a T-Square formed by transiting Chiron, natal Sun, and natal Saturn, and transiting Moon squares natal Mercury. Additionally, transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.

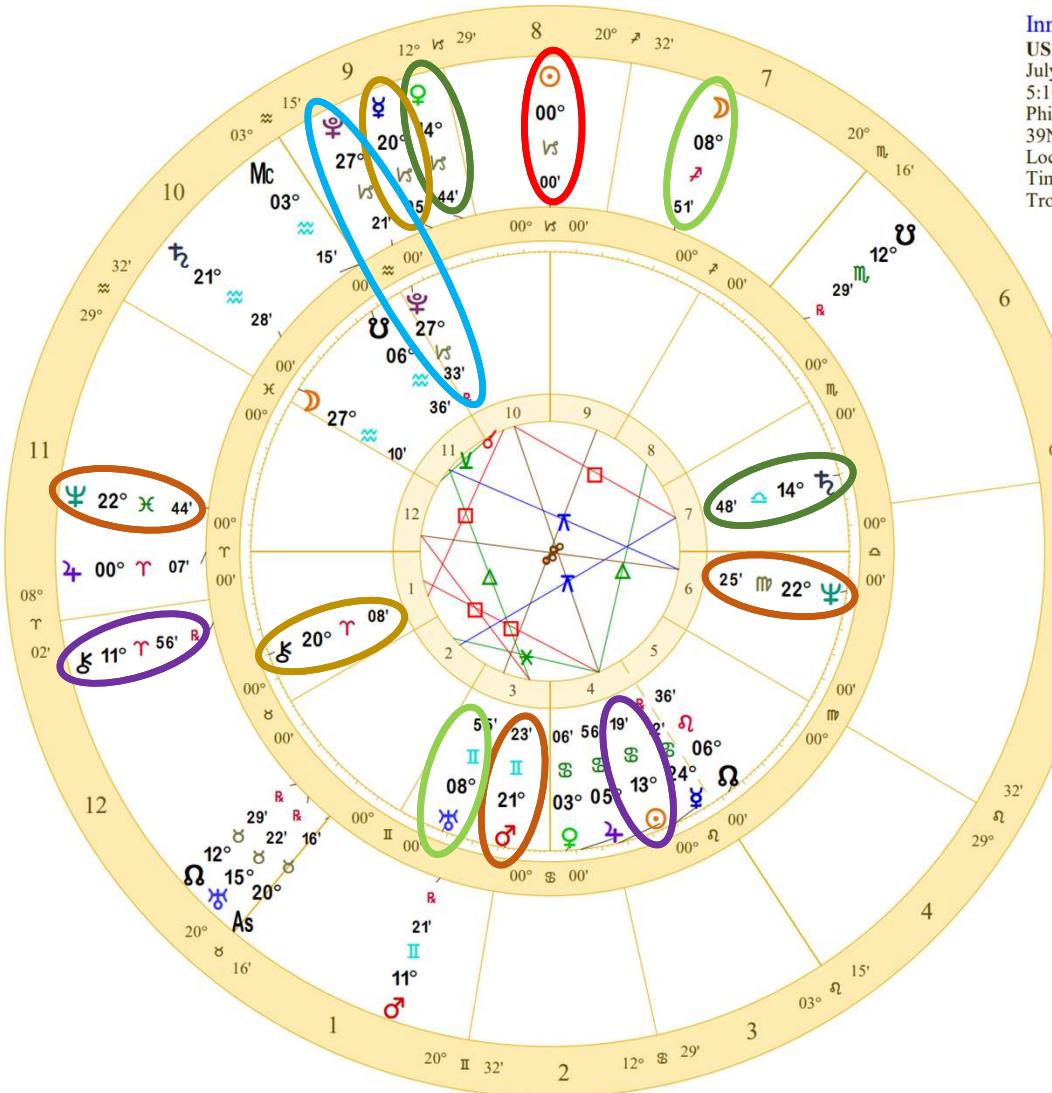


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On December 20,  
Jupiter enters Aries  
again, transiting  
Chiron and Venus and  
natal Sun and Saturn  
form a grand cross,  
transiting Neptune  
and natal Mars and  
Neptune form a T-  
Square, transiting  
Mercury squares  
natal Chiron, and  
transiting Pluto is still  
conjunct natal Pluto.



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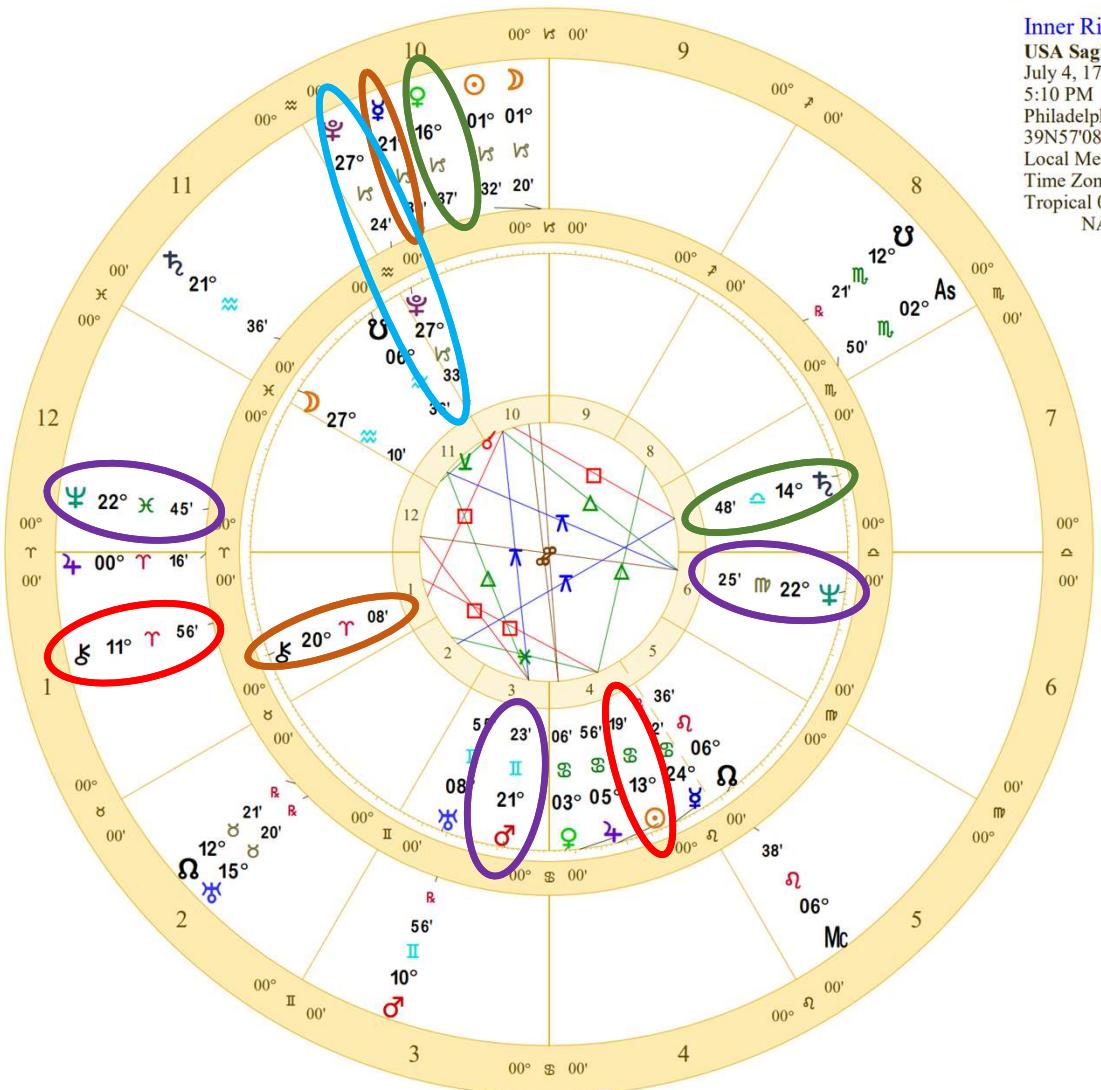
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NATAL CHART

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**On December 21, the Winter Solstice begins and sets the tone for the next three months.** Transiting Neptune, natal Neptune, and natal Mars form a T-Square, transiting Chiron squares, natal Sun, transiting Mercury squares natal Chiron, transiting Venus squares natal Saturn, transiting Moon is in opposition to natal Uranus, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.



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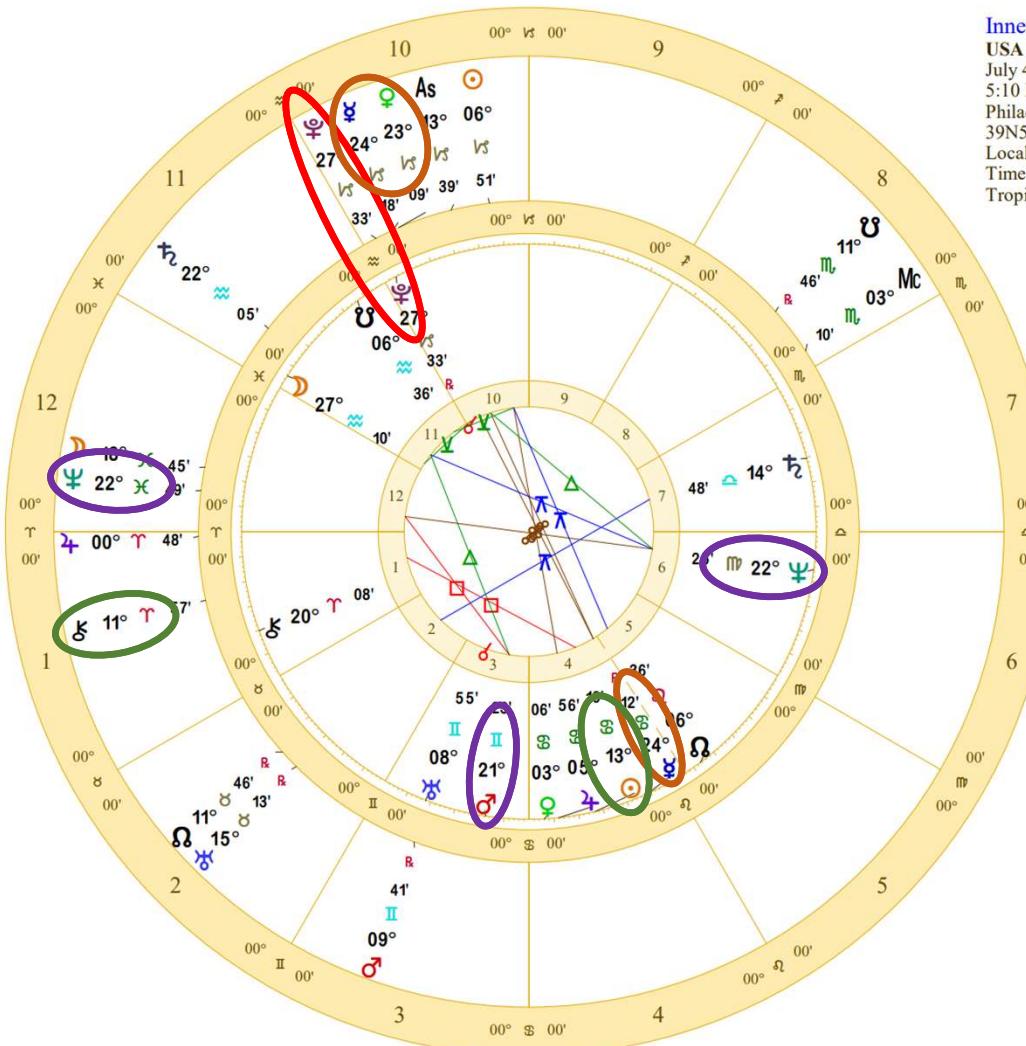
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NATAL CHART

**On December 23,**  
**transiting Chiron starts**  
**moving direct and**  
**squares natal Sun,**  
**transiting Neptune, natal**  
**Neptune, and natal Mars**  
**form a T-Square,**  
**transiting Mercury**  
**squares natal Chiron,**  
**transiting Venus squares**  
**natal Saturn, and**  
**transiting Pluto is still**  
**conjunct natal Pluto.**

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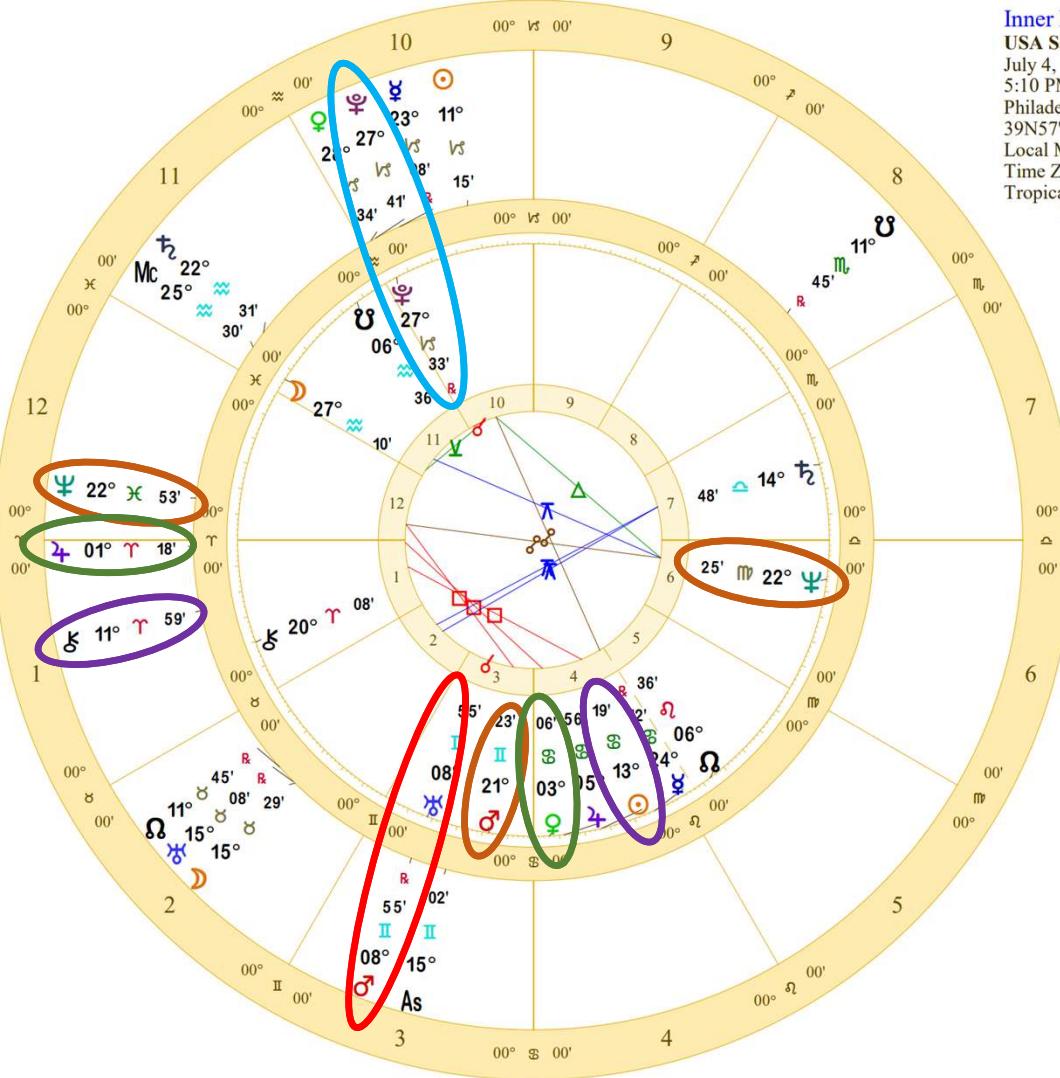
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NATAL CHART

On December 28, we  
experience the third and  
last Pluto return of this  
century. Also, transiting  
Neptune, natal Neptune,  
and natal Mars form a T-  
Square, transiting  
Mercury and Venus are in  
opposition to natal  
Mercury, and transiting  
Chiron squares natal Sun.

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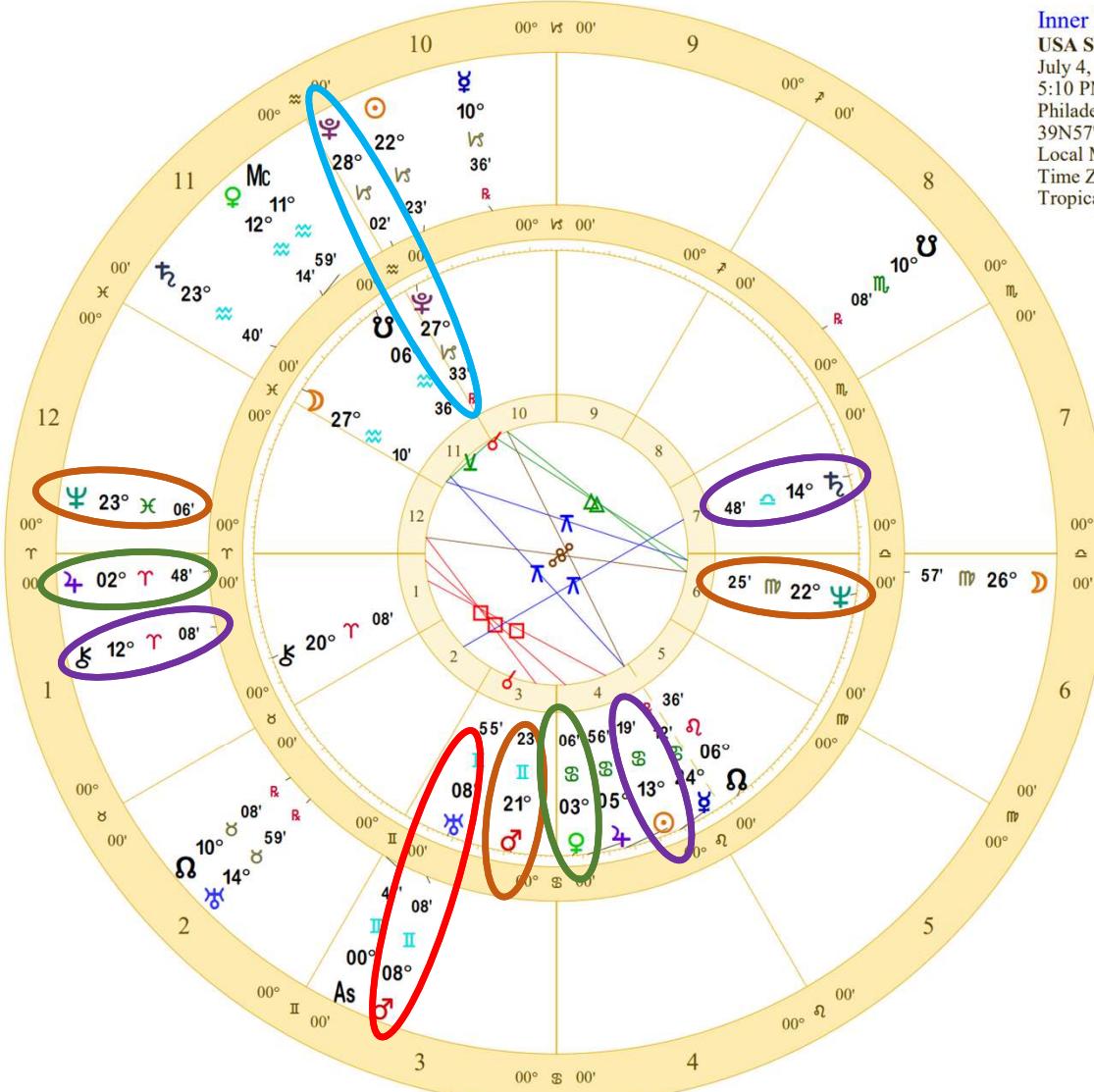


On January 1, transiting Mars is conjunct natal Uranus, transiting Neptune, natal Neptune, and natal Mars form a T-square, transiting Jupiter is square natal Venus, transiting Chiron is square natal Sun, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.

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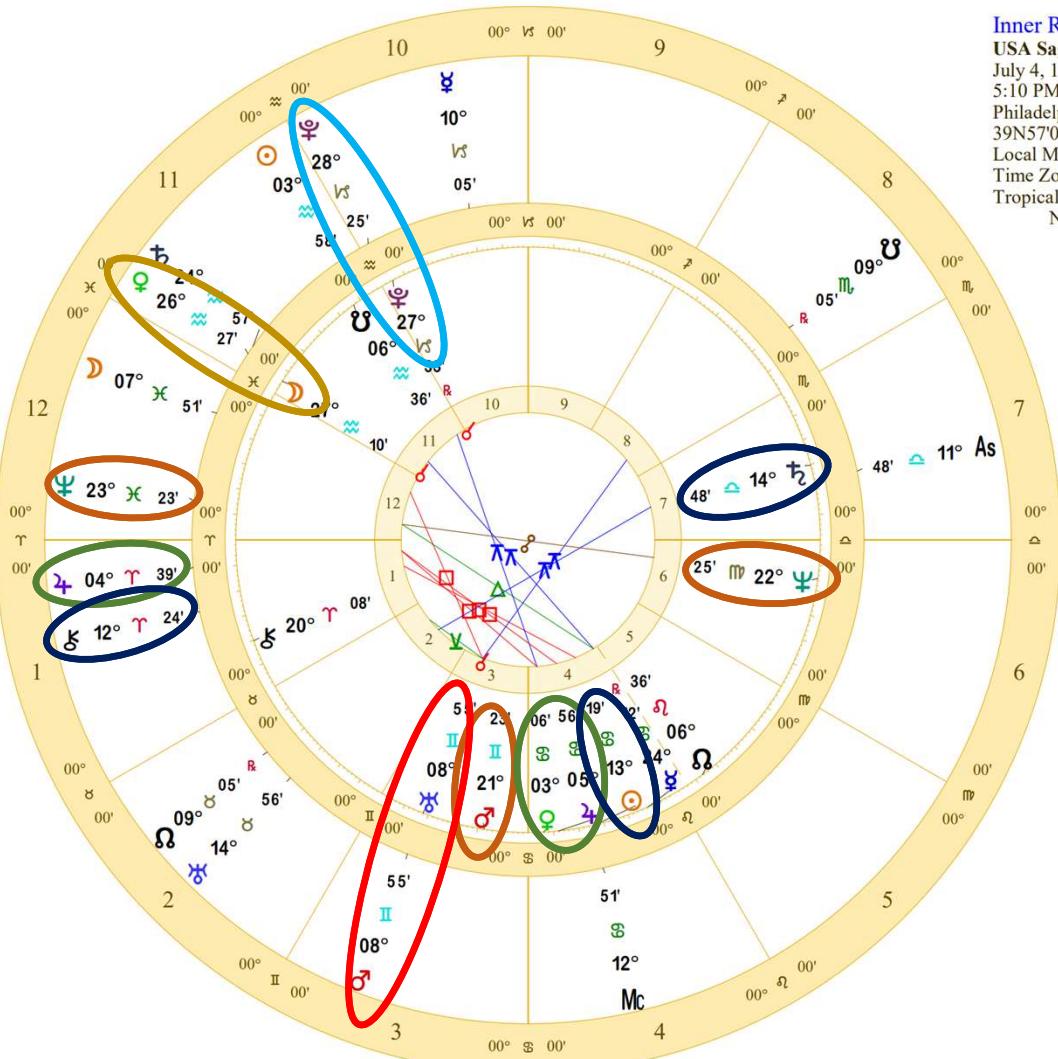
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NATAL CHART

**On January 12,**  
transiting Mars turns  
direct and is again  
conjunct natal Uranus,  
transiting Neptune,  
natal Neptune, and  
natal Mars form a T-  
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Chiron, natal Sun, and  
natal Saturn form a T-  
Square, and transiting  
Pluto is still conjunct  
natal Pluto.

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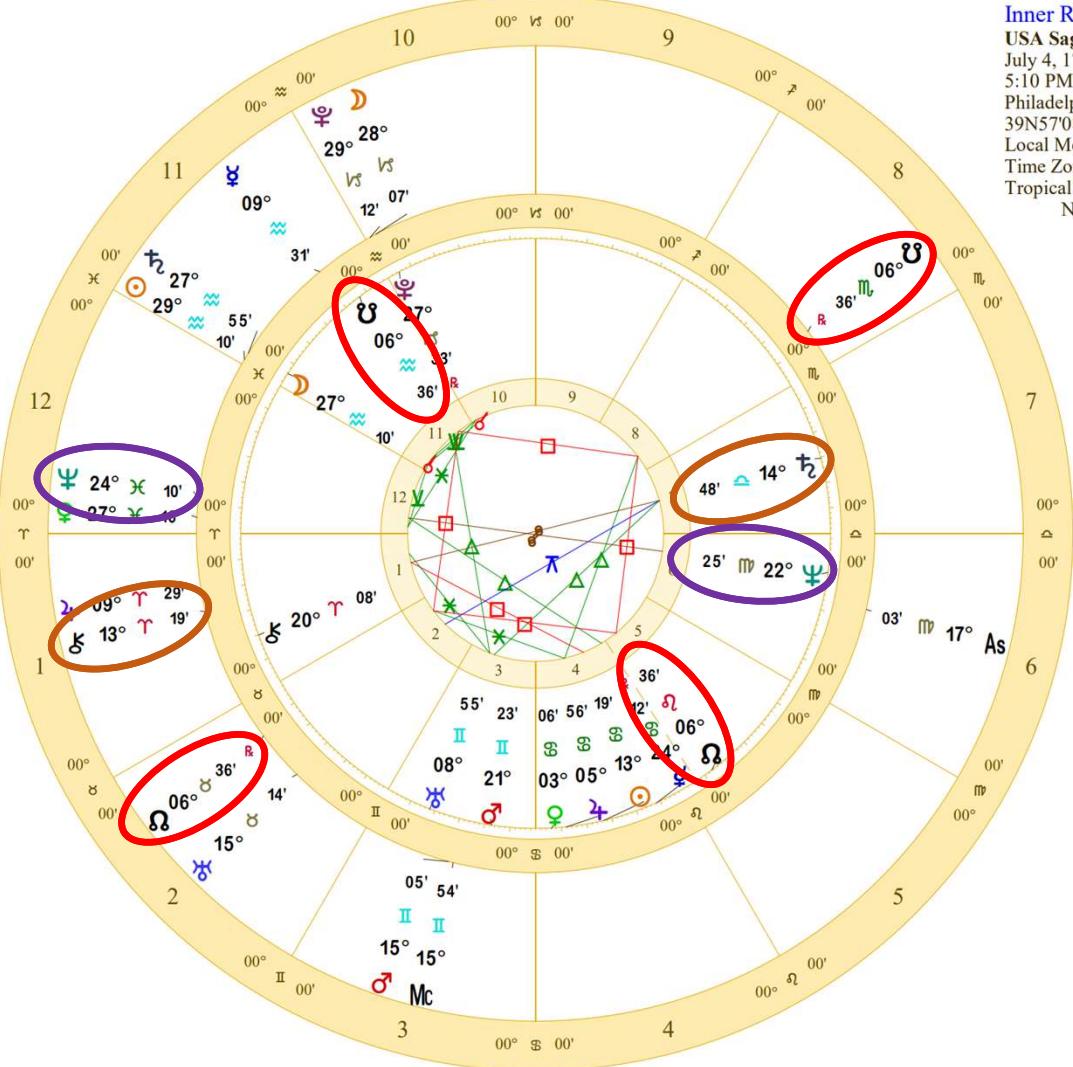
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On January 23,  
transiting Mars will  
once again be exactly  
conjunction natal Uranus,  
transiting Chiron, natal  
Sun, and natal Saturn  
will form a T-Square,  
transiting Jupiter will  
square natal Venus and  
Jupiter, transiting Venus  
will conjunct natal  
Moon, and transiting  
Pluto will still be  
conjunction natal Pluto.



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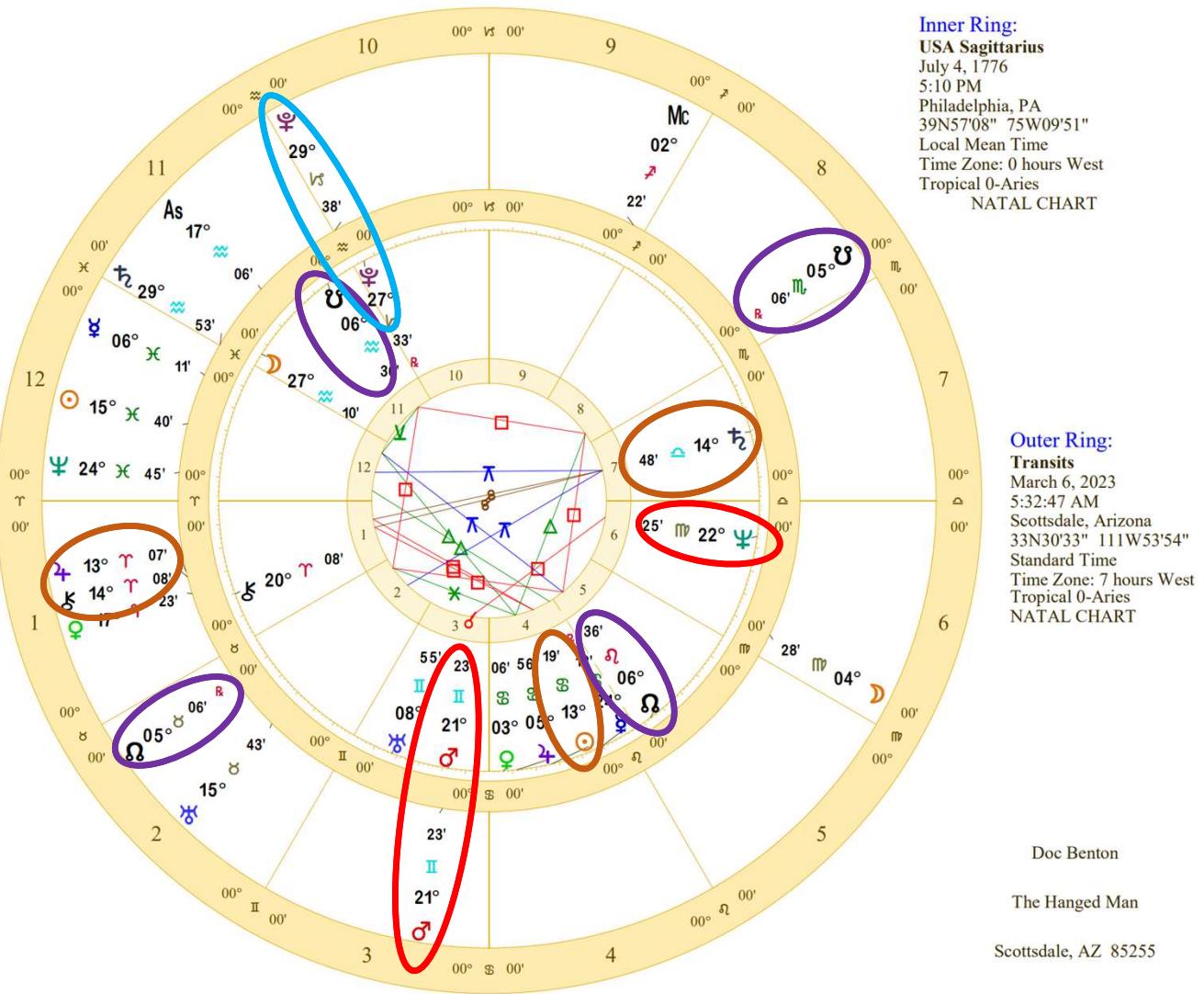
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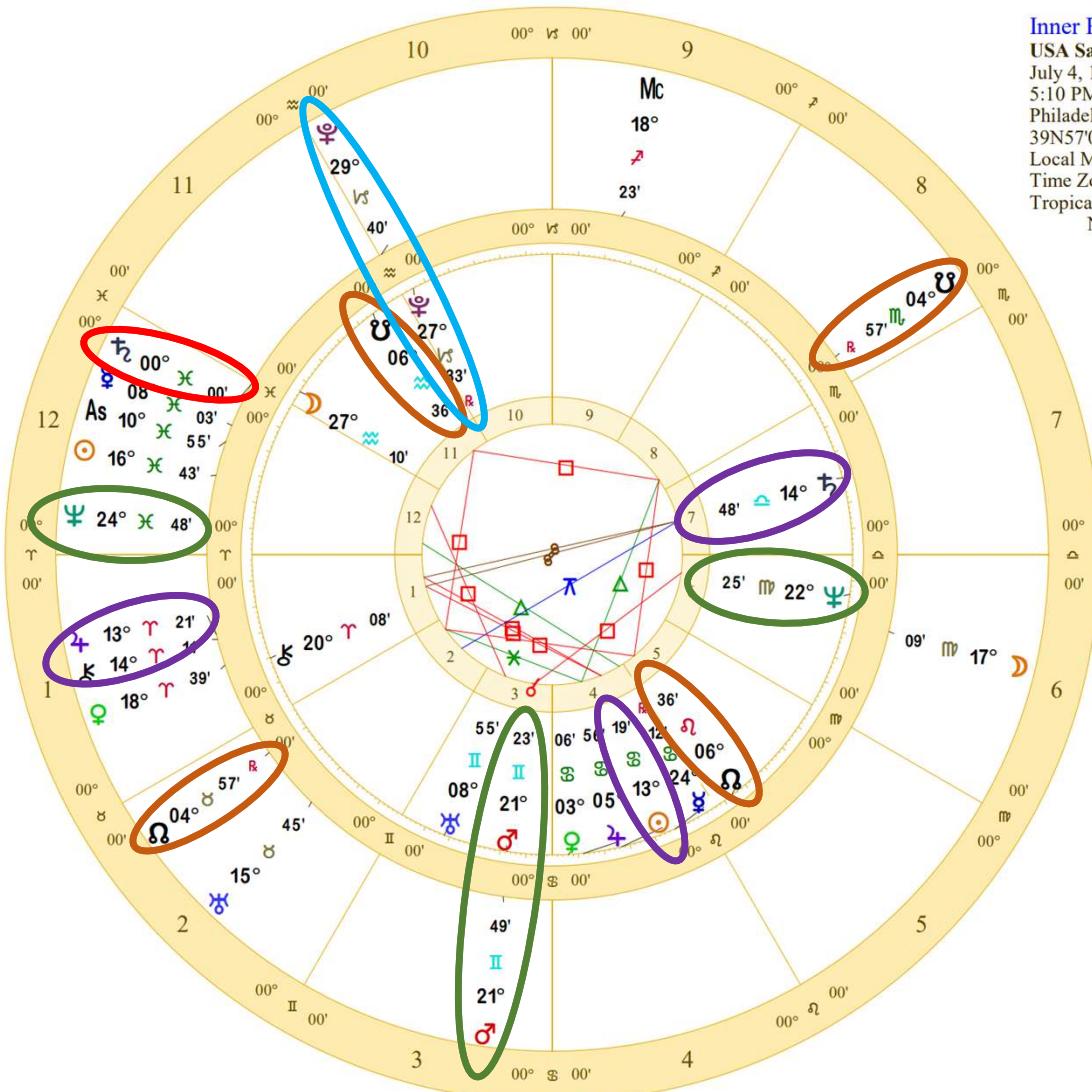
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**On February 17, the natal Lunar Nodes and transiting Lunar Nodes form a grand cross that will intensify everything, transiting Chiron is in opposition to natal Saturn, and transiting Neptune is in opposition to natal Neptune.**



On March 6, there is an exact conjunction between transiting Mars and natal Mars that squares natal Neptune, a grand cross between the transiting Lunar Nodes and the natal Lunar Nodes, a T-Square involving transiting Jupiter and Chiron opposite natal Saturn and square natal Sun, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.



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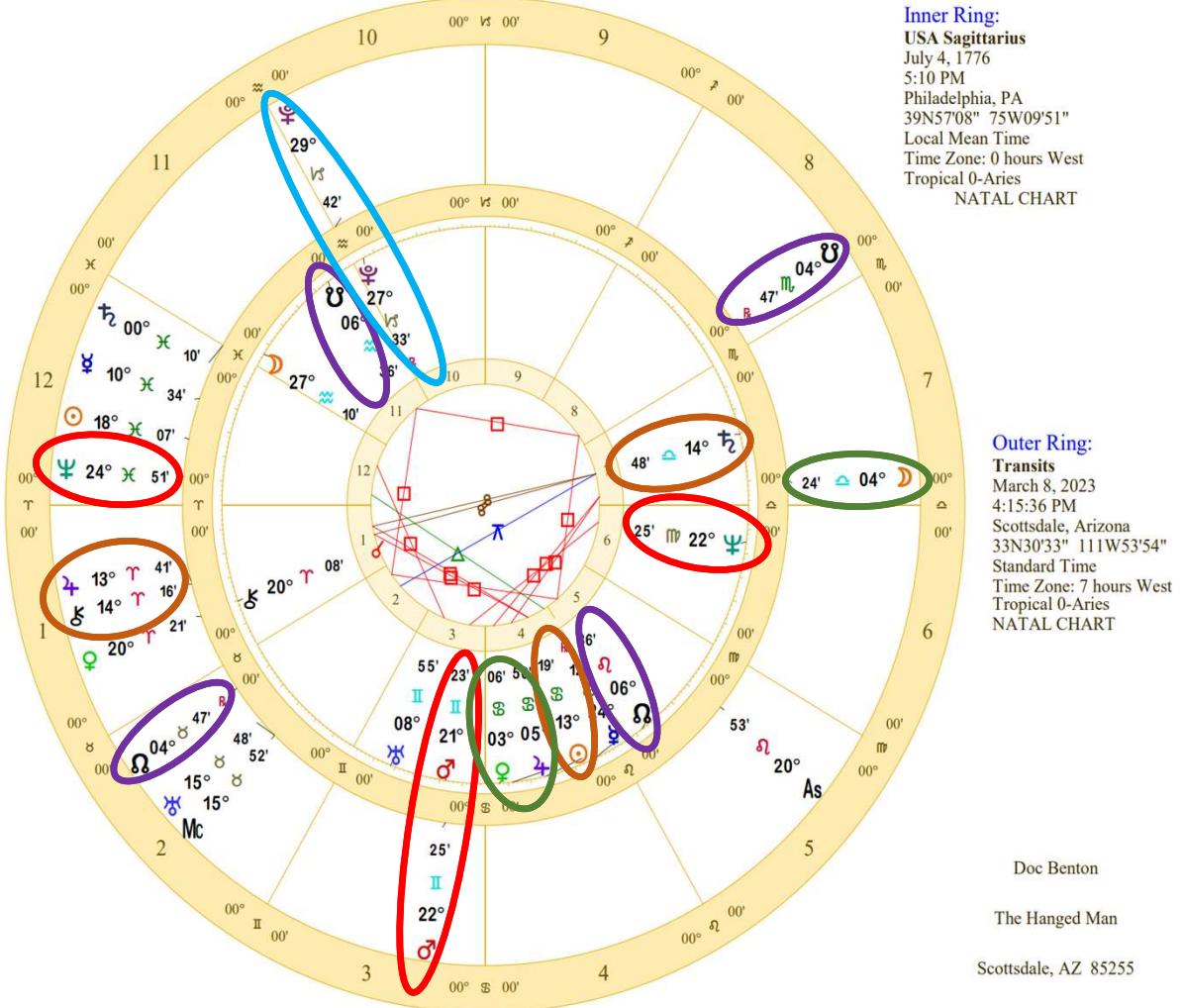
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Tropical 0-Aries  
NATAL CHART

**On March 7, Saturn enters Pisces, transiting Neptune and Mars and natal Neptune and Mars form a T-Square, transiting Jupiter and Chiron and natal Sun and Saturn form a T-Square, the transiting Lunar Nodes and natal Lunar Nodes form a grand cross, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.**

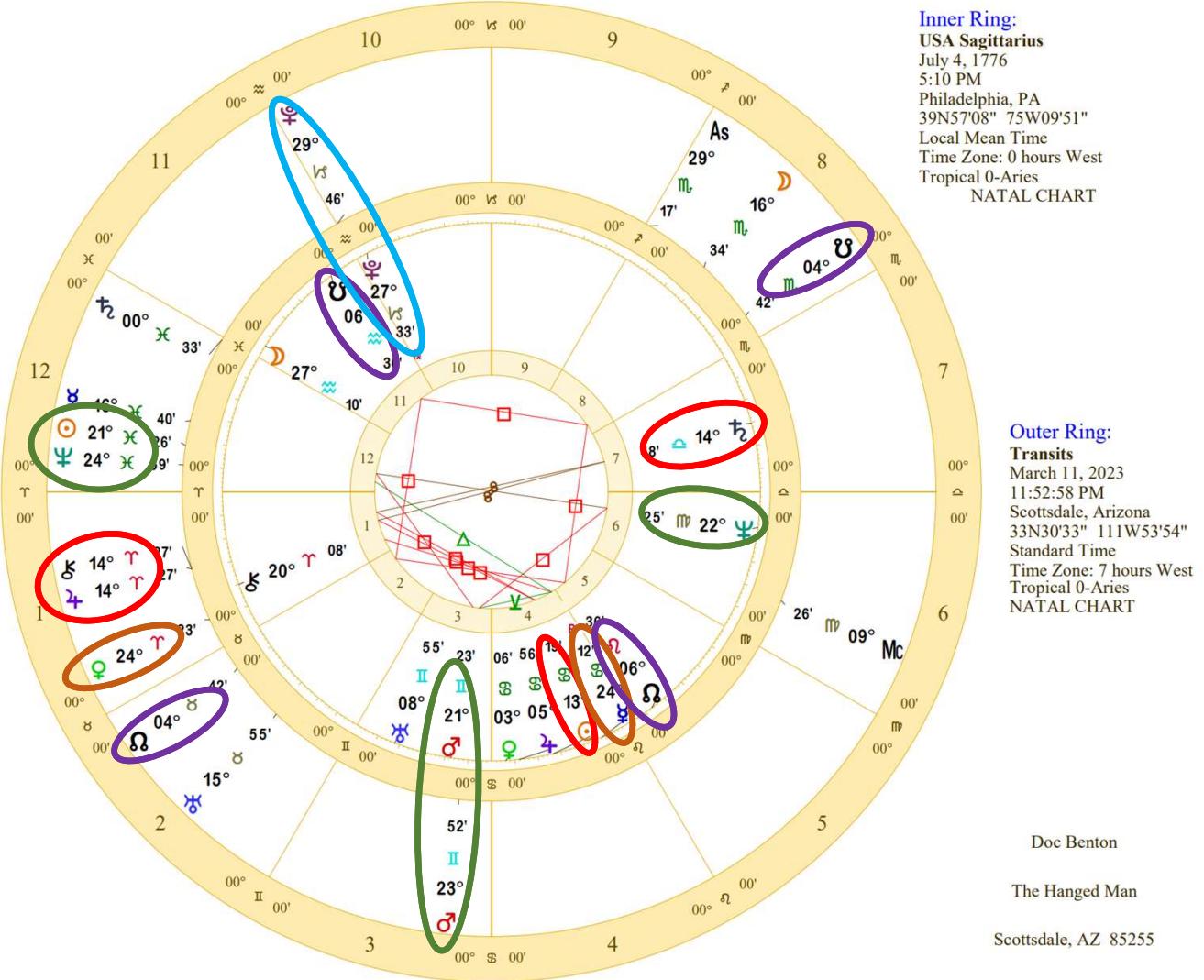
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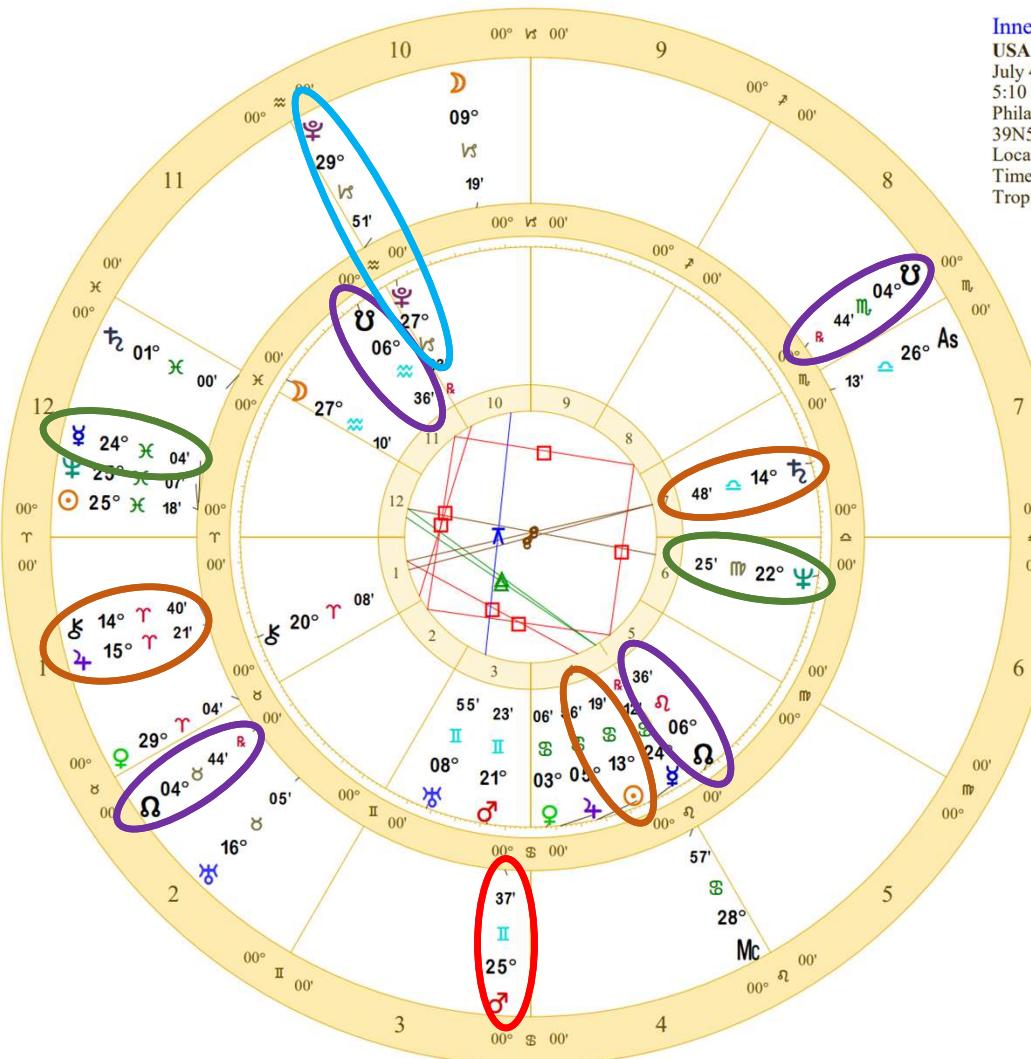
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On March 8, transiting Mars makes an exact square with natal Neptune and completes a T-Square with natal Mars and transiting Neptune. Transiting Jupiter and Chiron, natal Sun, and natal Saturn form another T-Square, the transiting Lunar Nodes and natal Lunar Nodes form a grand cross, the transiting Moon squares natal Venus and Jupiter, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.



On March 11, transiting Jupiter and Chiron are conjunct and they form a T-Square with natal Sun and Saturn, transiting Sun and Neptune form a T-Square with transiting Mars and natal Mars and Neptune, the transiting Lunar Nodes and natal Lunar nodes form a grand cross, transiting Venus squares natal Mercury, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.



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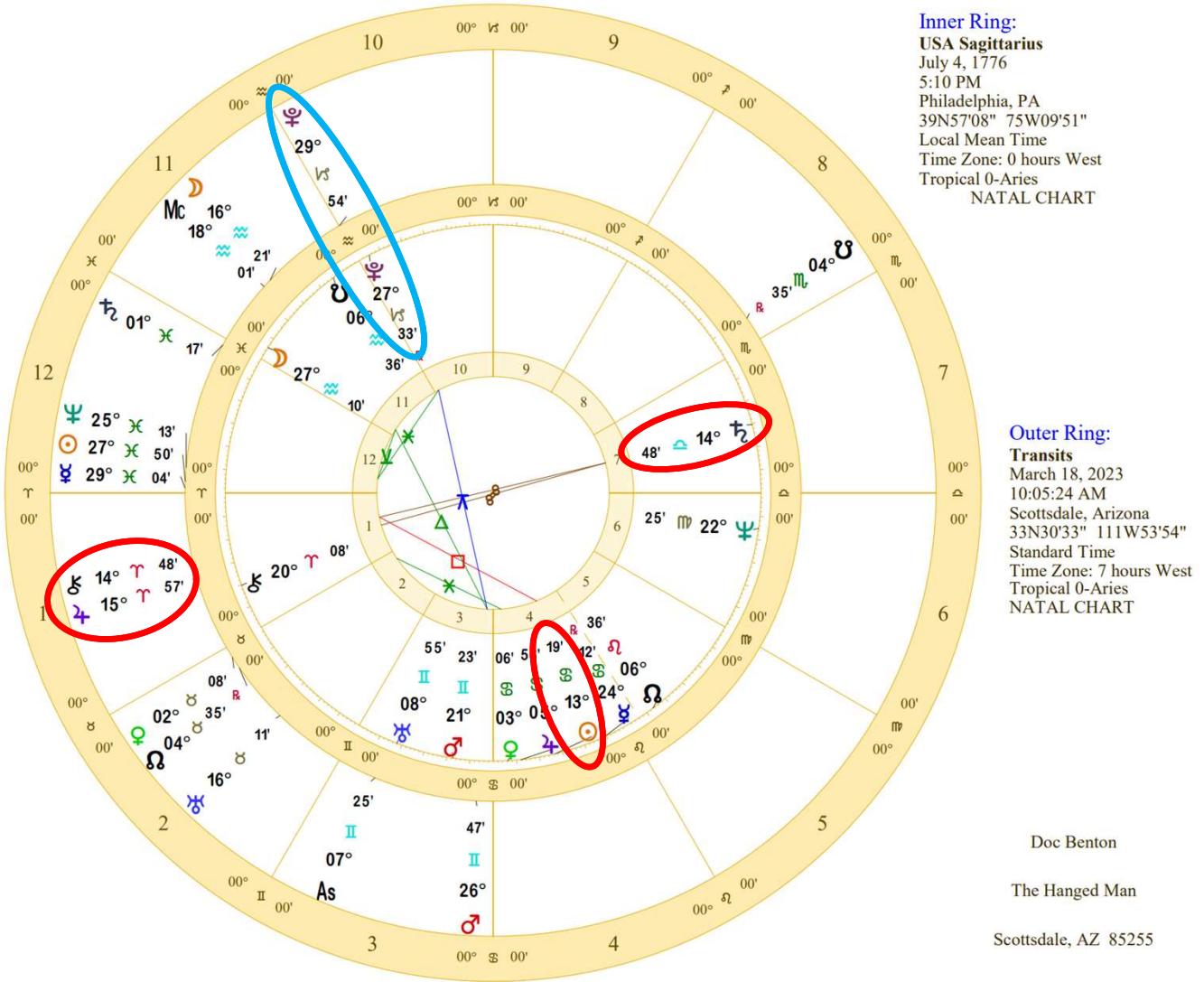
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On March 15, transiting Mars leaves the retrograde zone, transiting Chiron and Jupiter form a T-Square with natal Sun and Saturn, the transiting Lunar Nodes and the natal Lunar Nodes form a grand cross, transiting Mercury is in opposition to natal Neptune, and transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
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Also on March 11, from a heliocentric perspective, transiting Saturn and Pluto will make an exact, waxing semisextile with one another. This represents a shift from the initial global transformation of structures that began in 2020 to a phase that focuses on rebuilding and survival. In 2026, a sextile will usher in a few years of greater stability and prosperity for the world, but in late 2028, recalibration and adjustment will likely be needed once again as heliocentric Saturn squares heliocentric Pluto.

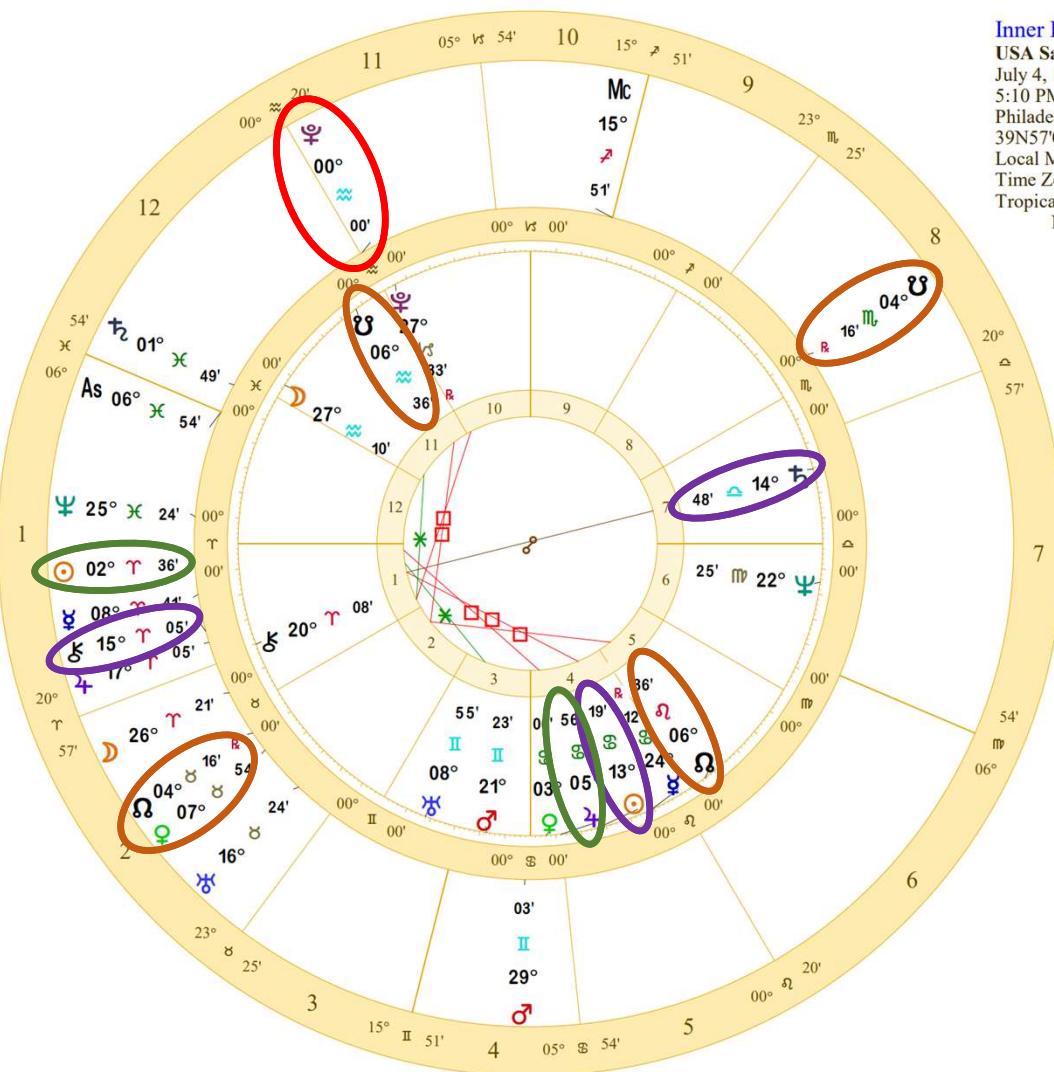


On March 18, transiting Chiron is in exact opposition to Saturn and is drawn into a T-Square with transiting Jupiter and natal Sun. A final wounding for some, but a final healing and enlightenment for others. Also, transiting Pluto is still conjunct natal Pluto.

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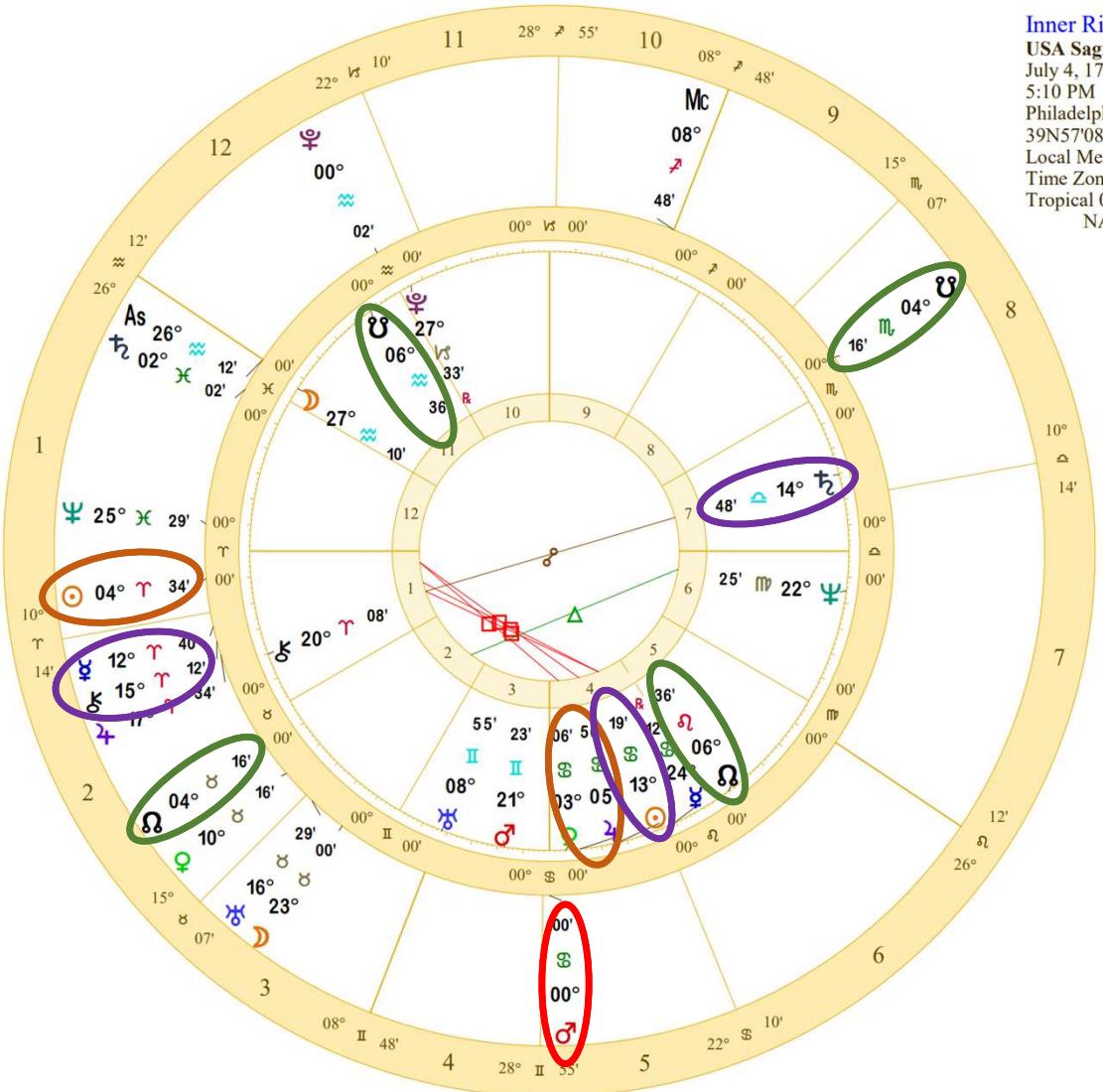
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Standard Time  
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**On March 23, transiting Pluto enters Aquarius, the transiting and natal Lunar Nodes form a grand cross, transiting Chiron forms a T-Square with natal Sun and Saturn, and transiting Sun squares natal Jupiter.**

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NATAL CHART

**Outer Ring:**  
Mar enters Can 3-25-2023  
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Standard Time  
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Tropical Regiomontanus  
NATAL CHART

**On March 25, transiting Mars enters Cancer, the transiting and natal Lunar Nodes make a grand cross, transiting Mercury and Chiron form a T-Square with natal Sun and Saturn, and transiting Sun squares natal Venus and Jupiter.**

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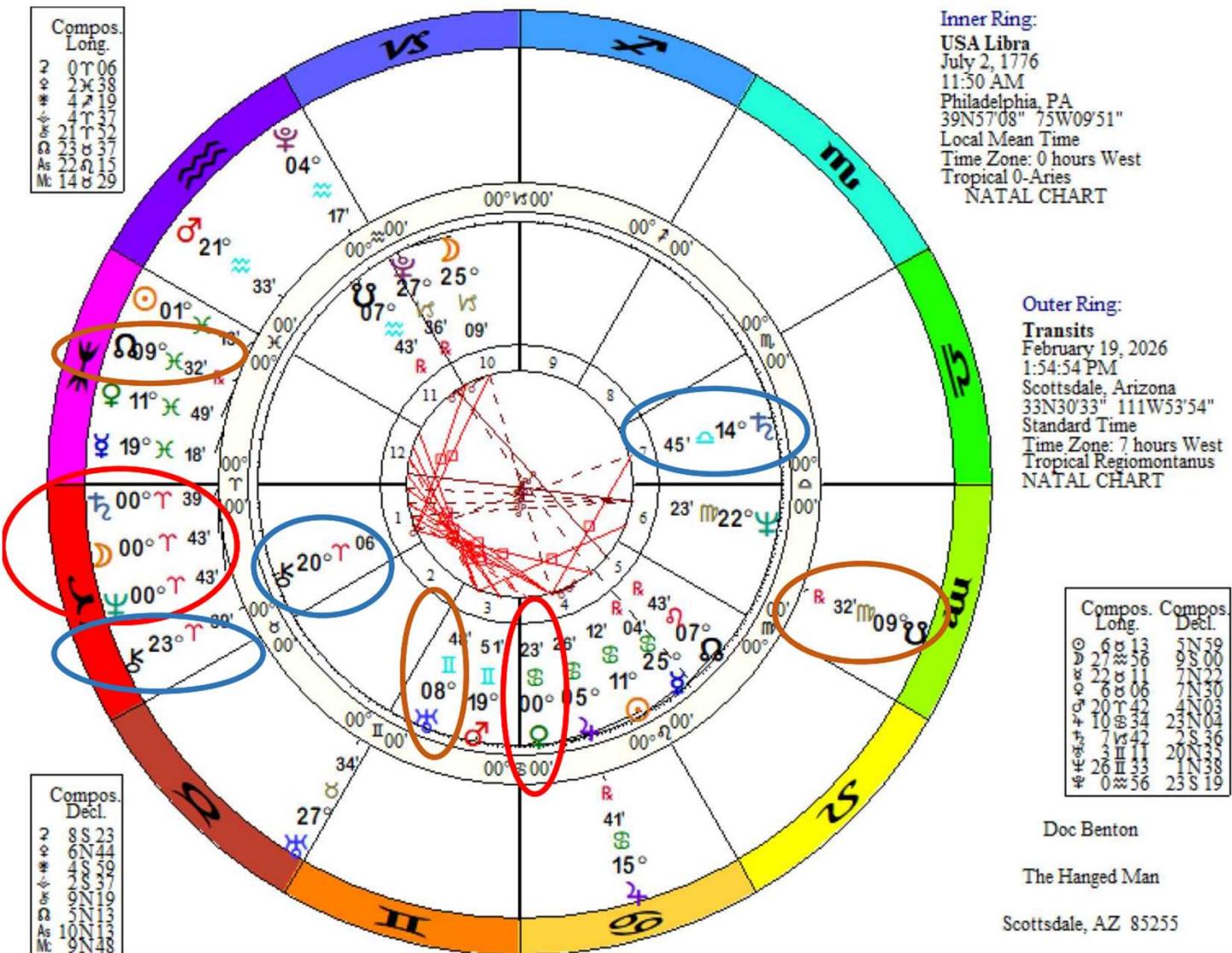
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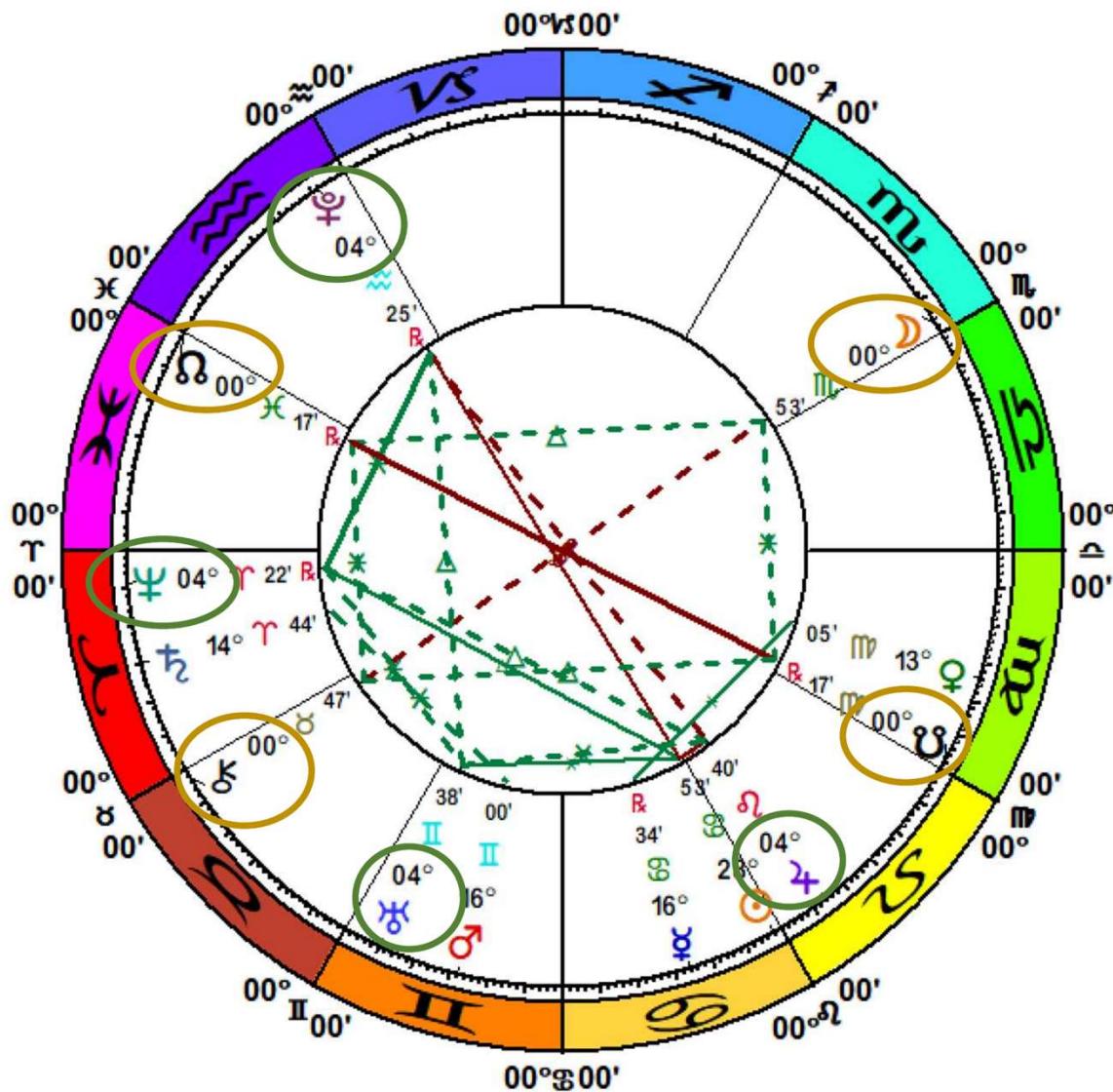
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# **FINAL THOUGHTS**

As noted at the top, these are perilous times for America, and the final outcome is not yet certain. Even before historians and pundits began saying that what is happening in America now is similar to the prelude to the American Civil War, mundane astrologers had already noted the similarities. Instead of dividing into the Blue and the Grey, we seem to be dividing ourselves politically now between Blue and Red. Also, the first American Civil War began on the day that Neptune entered Aries in 1961.

Transiting Neptune will enter Aries again on 3/30/2025, 10/22/2025, and 1/26/2026. Furthermore, on February 19 of 2026 the planets Saturn, Neptune, and the Moon will be aligned at 0° Aries (see next slide), and the late, great mundane astrologer André Barbault has associated conjunctions of Saturn and Neptune with “popular insurrections that are fueled by ideological beliefs.” The last conjunction occurred during the year that the Berlin Wall fell, and thus, I wouldn’t be surprised if America is shaken up a little at this time.





NATAL CHART

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However, what may be the best day of the century for the world may be later that same year on July 21 when the planets come together to form an incredibly harmonious configuration.

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	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
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There will also be a series of beneficial aspects between the outer planets from 2025 to 2032 that will help bring positive transformation to the world.

But before we can reach that point, America has some trials to go through and more lessons to learn, and from September 2022 through March 2023, there will be a heightened probability of protest, violence, and wounding as Americans collectively decide if our American ideals of truth, justice, and equality will be reborn or if America as a country will become increasingly irrelevant. The road ahead will likely be rocky and the November 8 election quite contentious. However, while astrology may predict the weather, the final choices are ours.

That's all folks!

