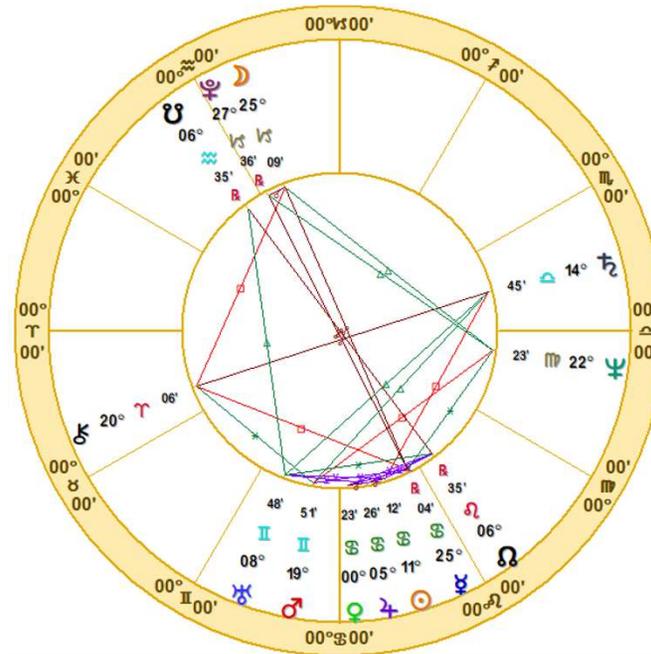


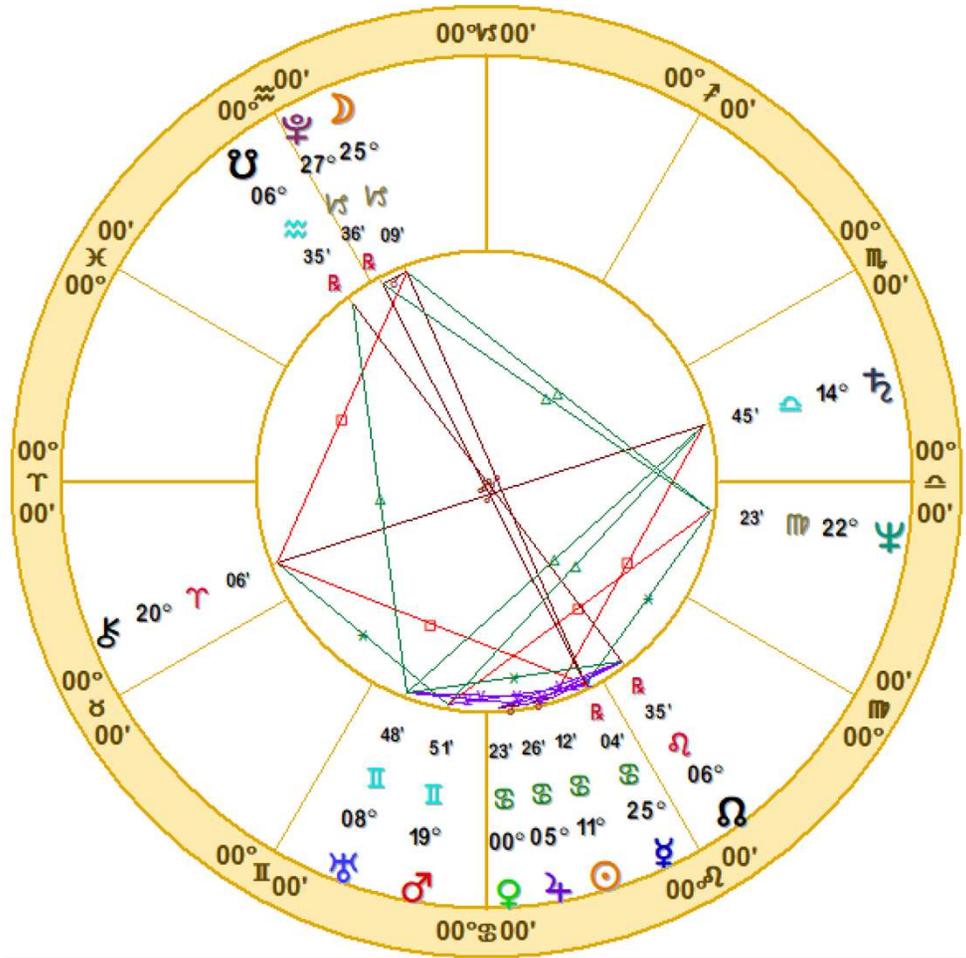
# The Mars/Neptune Arc Transform in the USA Chart



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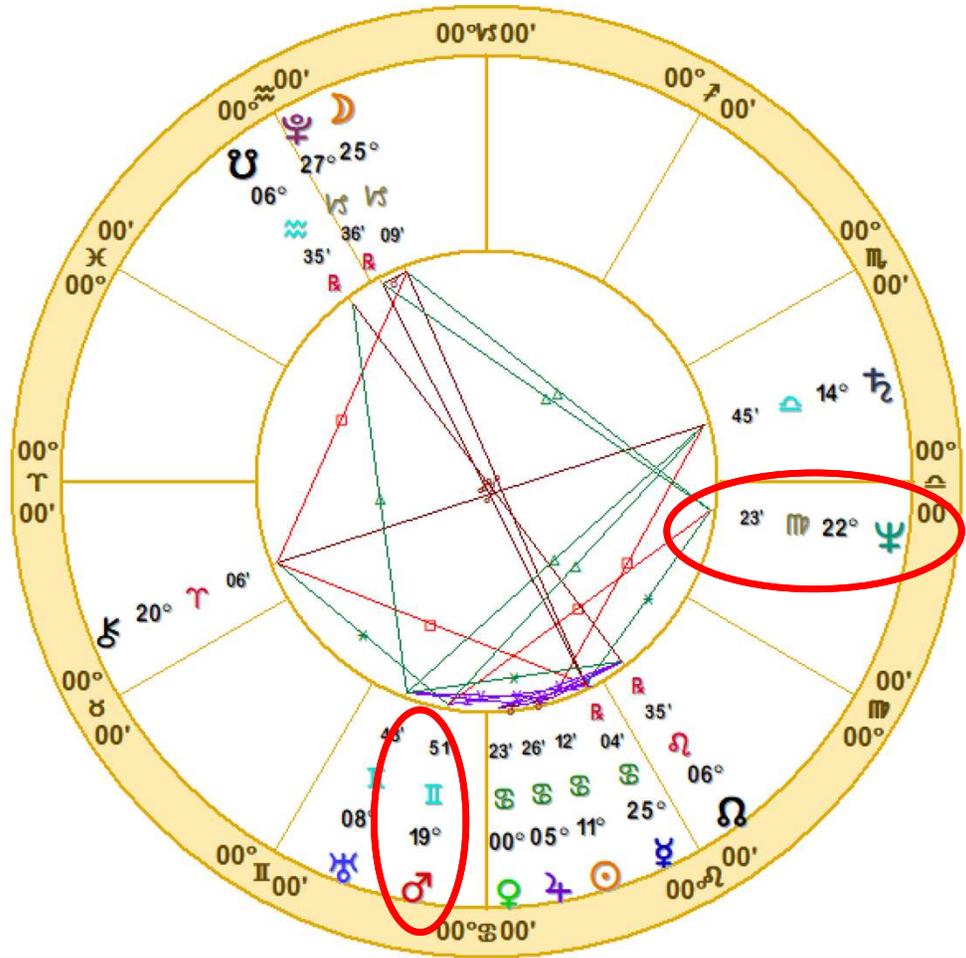
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When it comes to America's horoscope, one can find at least 14 different charts online at [Astrodatabank](http://Astrodatabank.com). Many people use one of the July 4<sup>th</sup> charts, but I have a slight preference for July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1776.



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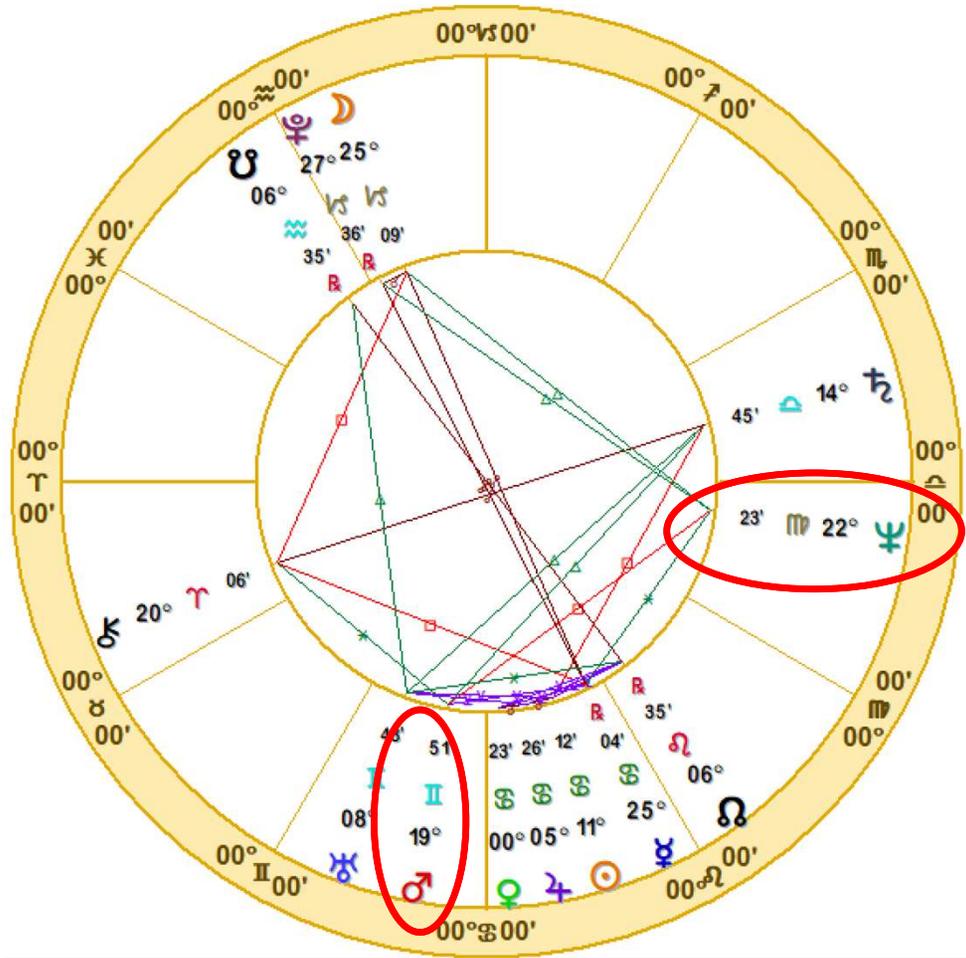
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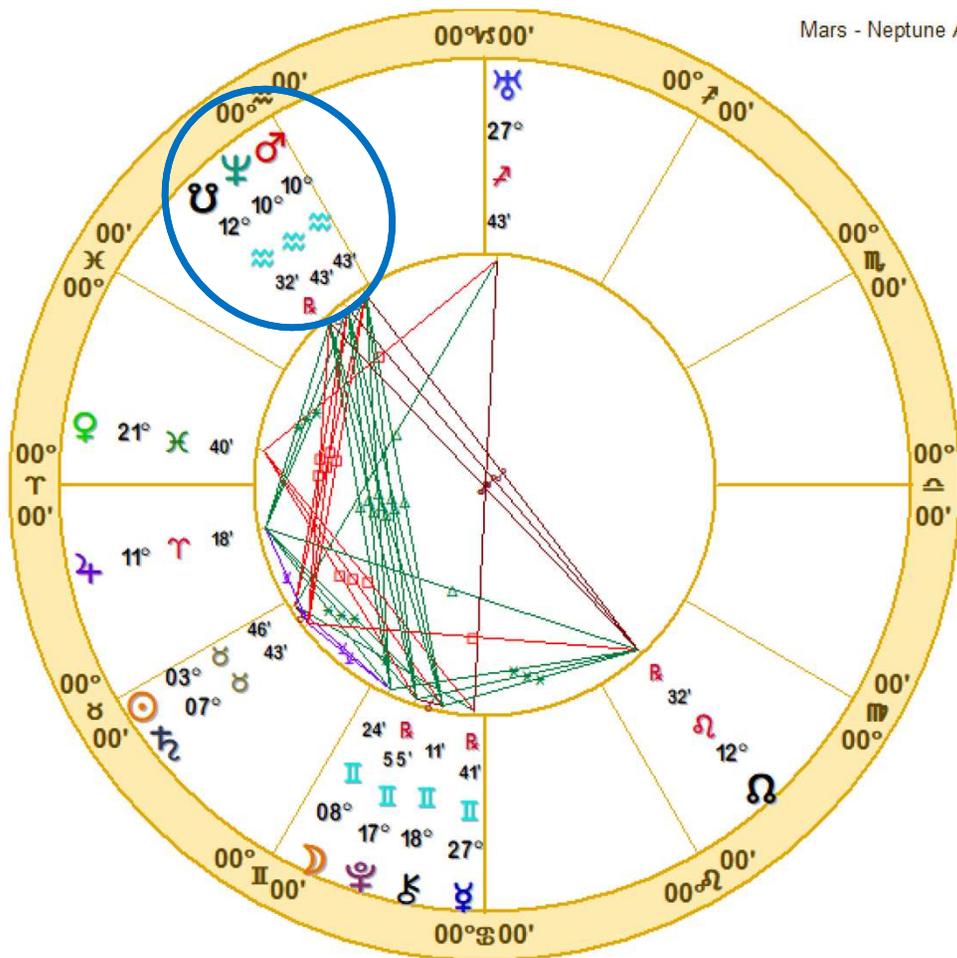
This is the date that the *Declaration of Independence* was voted on and approved. Also, both this and the July 4<sup>th</sup> charts have Neptune square Mars leading to an undercurrent of fanaticism and violence in America.



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And when either of these planets is stimulated in this chart, misinformation and discord is often the result. But we can also look to the *Mars/Neptune arc transform* to see what America should look like when this aspect is resolved.

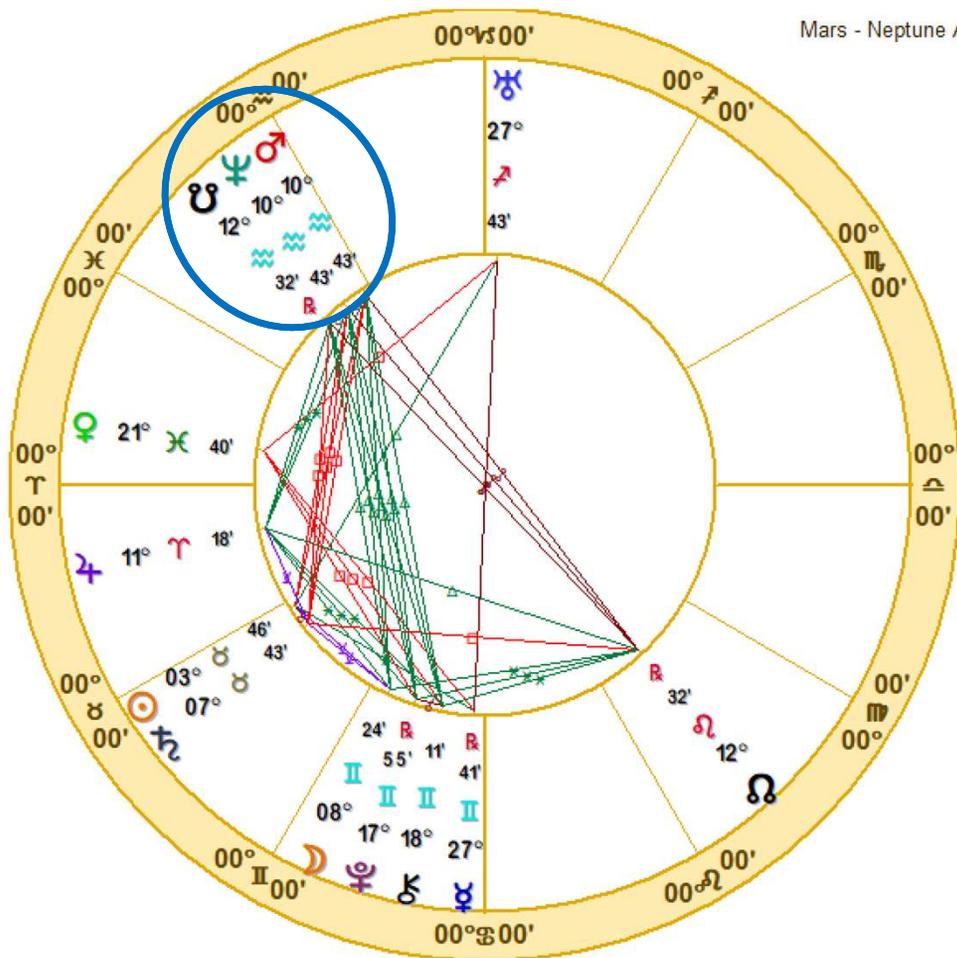


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On the left is the *Mars/Neptune arc transform* using 0° Aries for the 1<sup>st</sup> house. Thus, let's see if we can recognize the America presented in this chart.

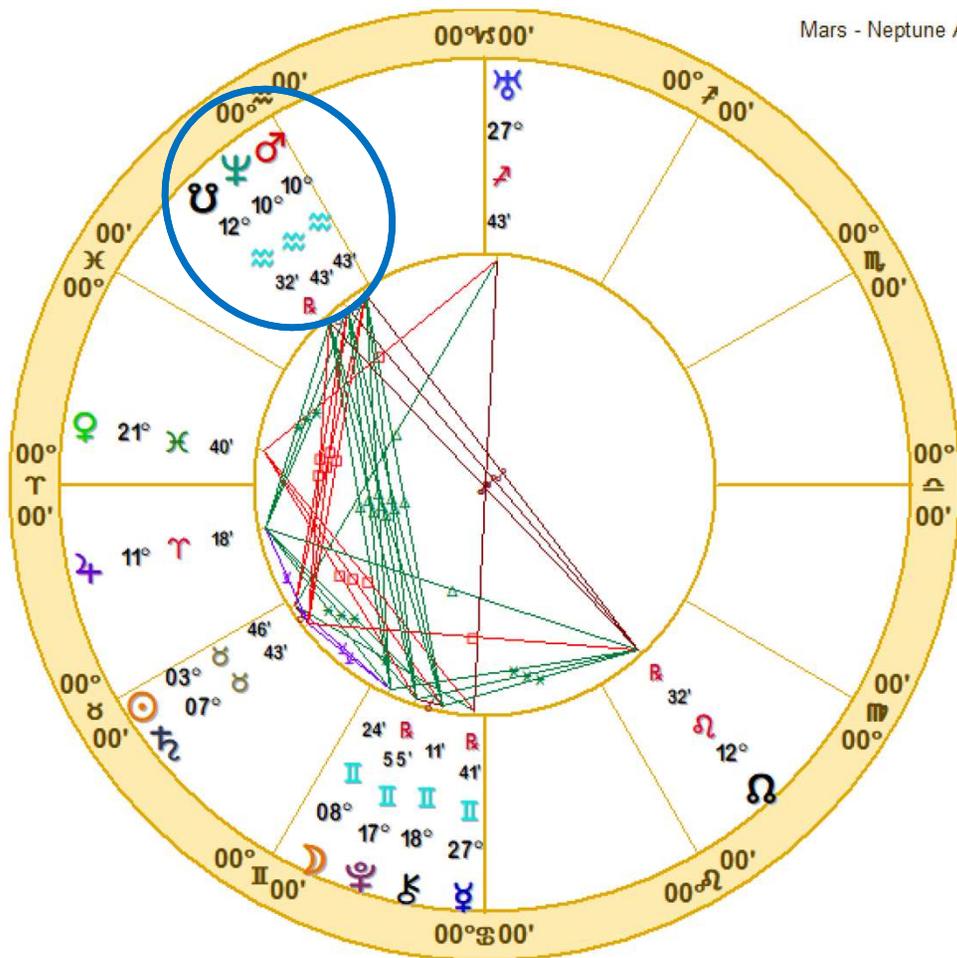


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Here we see Mars conjunct Neptune in Aquarius and interacting with the Lunar nodes. This seems to reflect a zeal for democracy and brotherhood that can be both inspired and naïve at the same time.

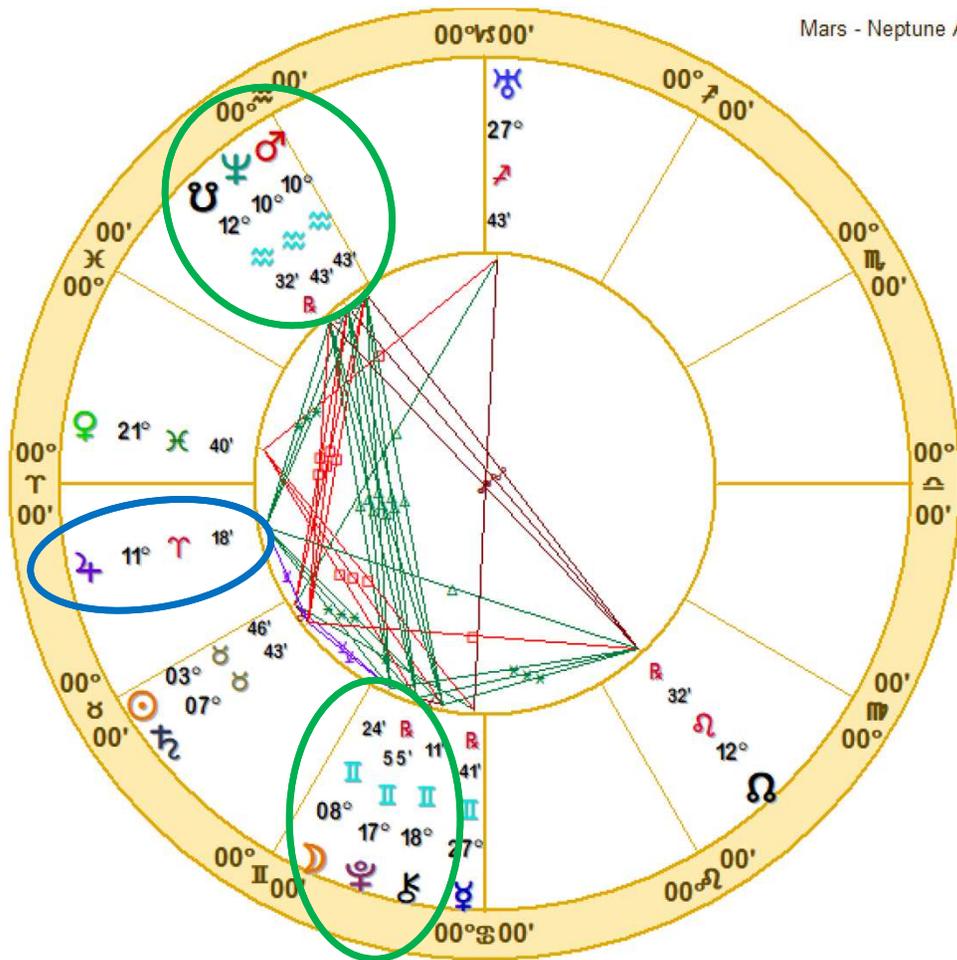


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And with these two planets also affected by the Lunar Nodes, the impact is intensified, but not always in a good way. At worst, we may fall into old habits that ignore reality in pursuit of our idealized version of it.

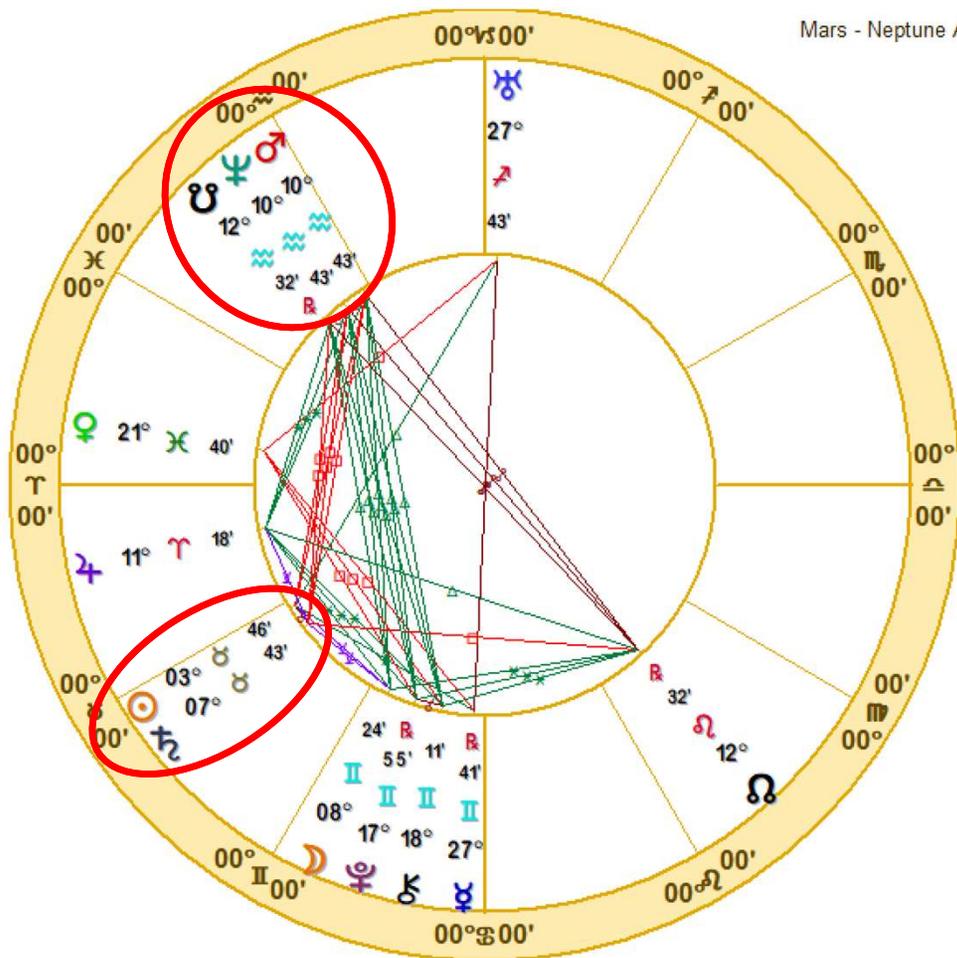


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In many ways, though, our focus on these ideals will work out well for us, though, due to several trines from Moon, Pluto, and Chiron, and a sextile from Jupiter.

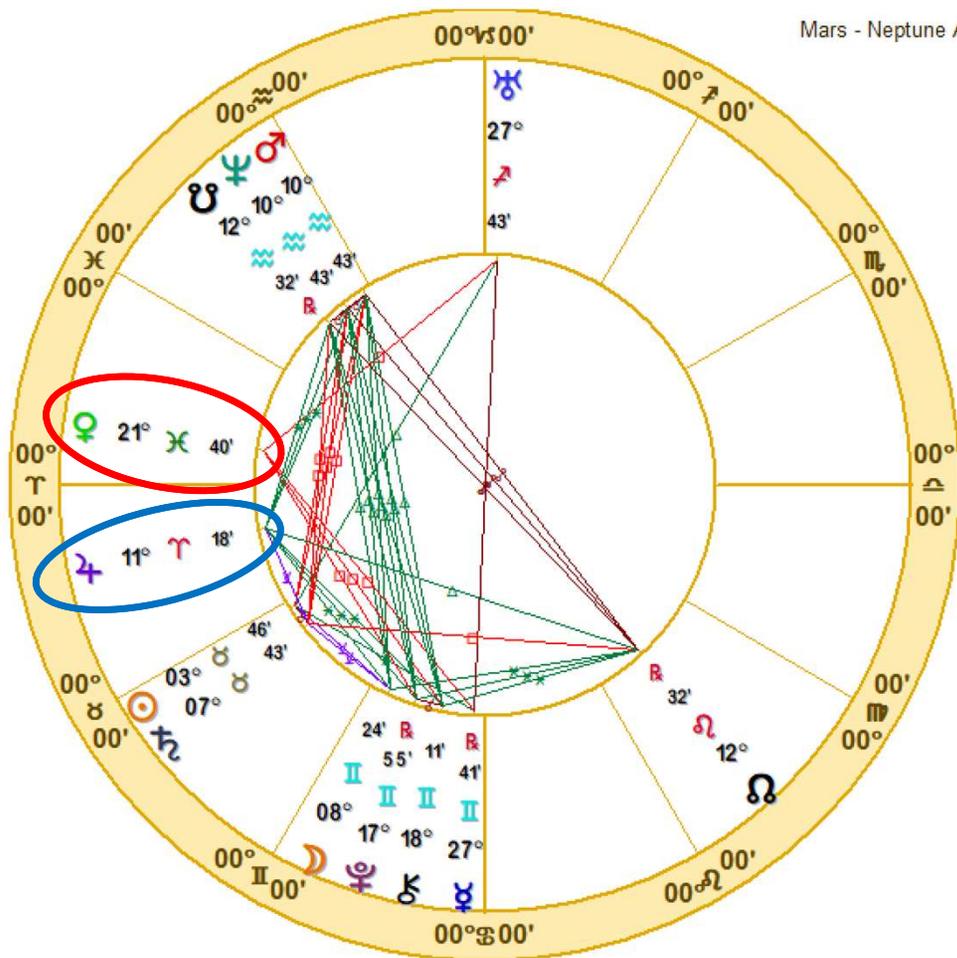


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However, with Sun conjunct Saturn near the beginning of the Taurus 2<sup>nd</sup> house and square Neptune/Mars, we have a history of doing what we feel we need to do to survive even if it conflicts with our ideals.

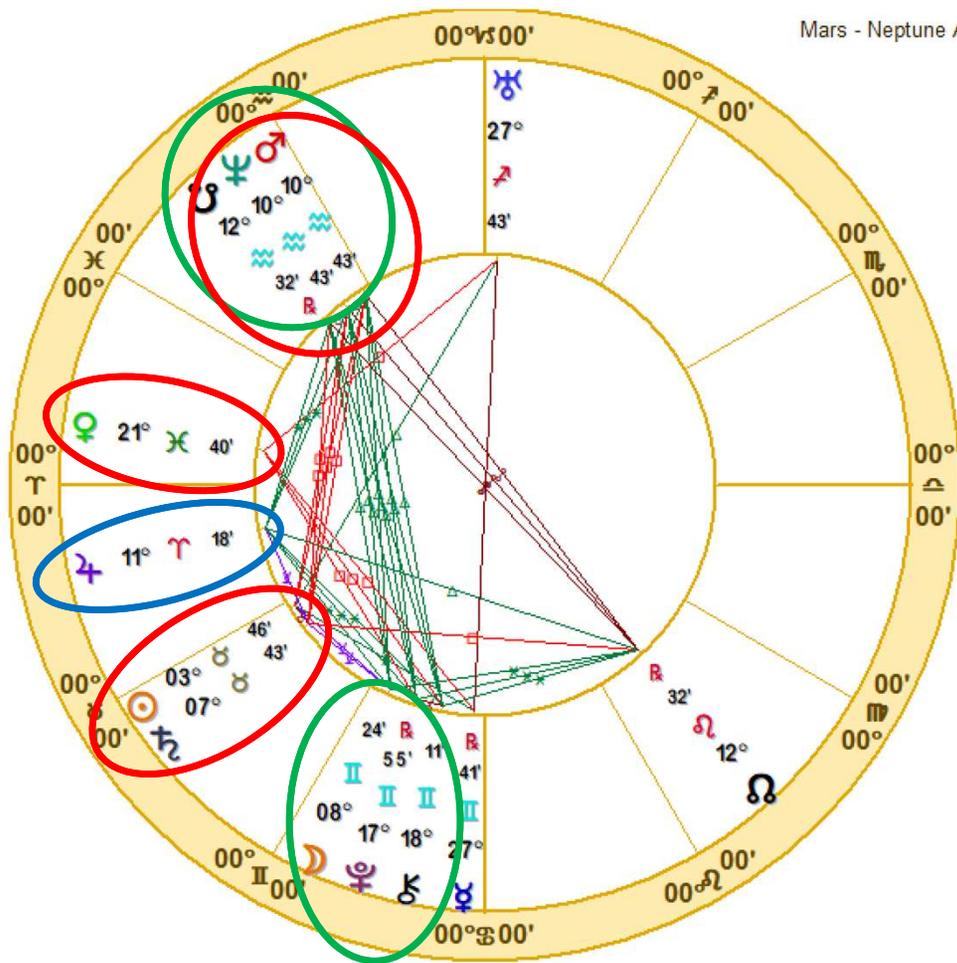


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And with Jupiter in Aries in the 1<sup>st</sup> house, we tend to be both prosperous and independent. Also, with Venus, the ruler of the 7<sup>th</sup> house, in Pisces in the 12<sup>th</sup> house, our fantasies about other countries can be our undoing.

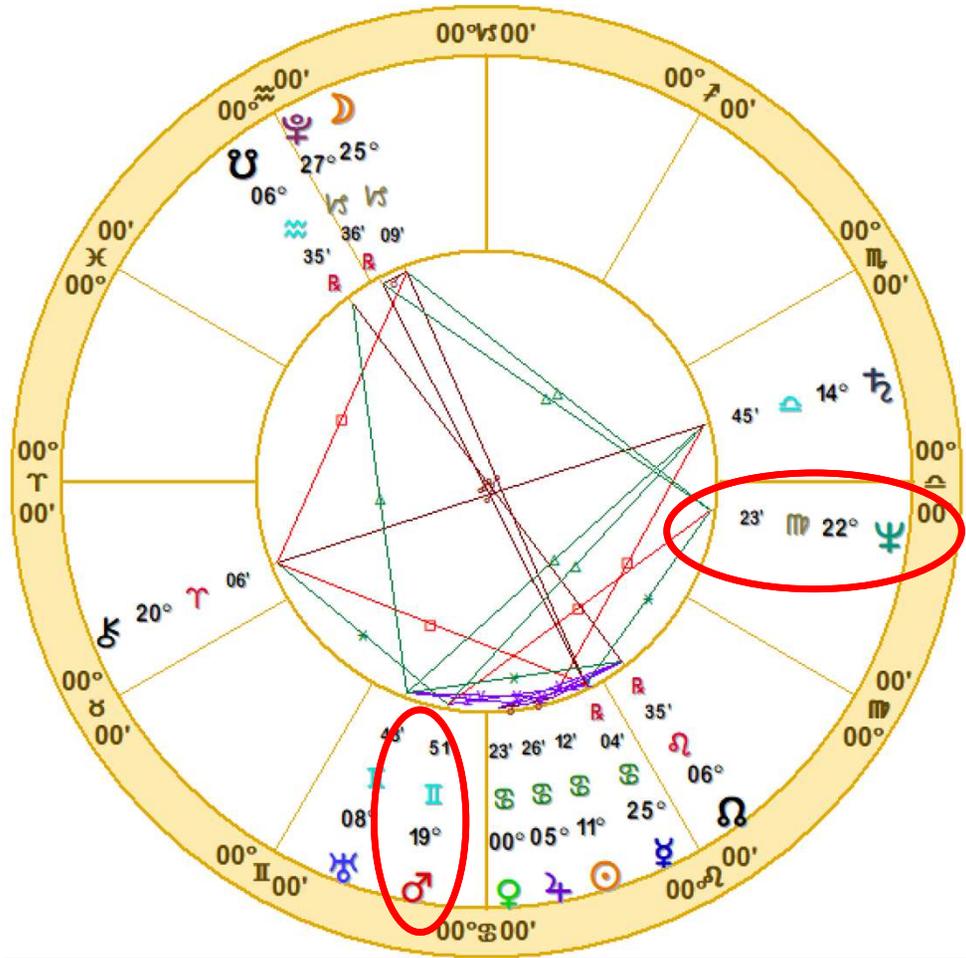


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All in all, the face of America that is presented by this arc transform chart is one that I recognize. It is a face that is more evolved, but one that can still suffer from delusion and self-interest.



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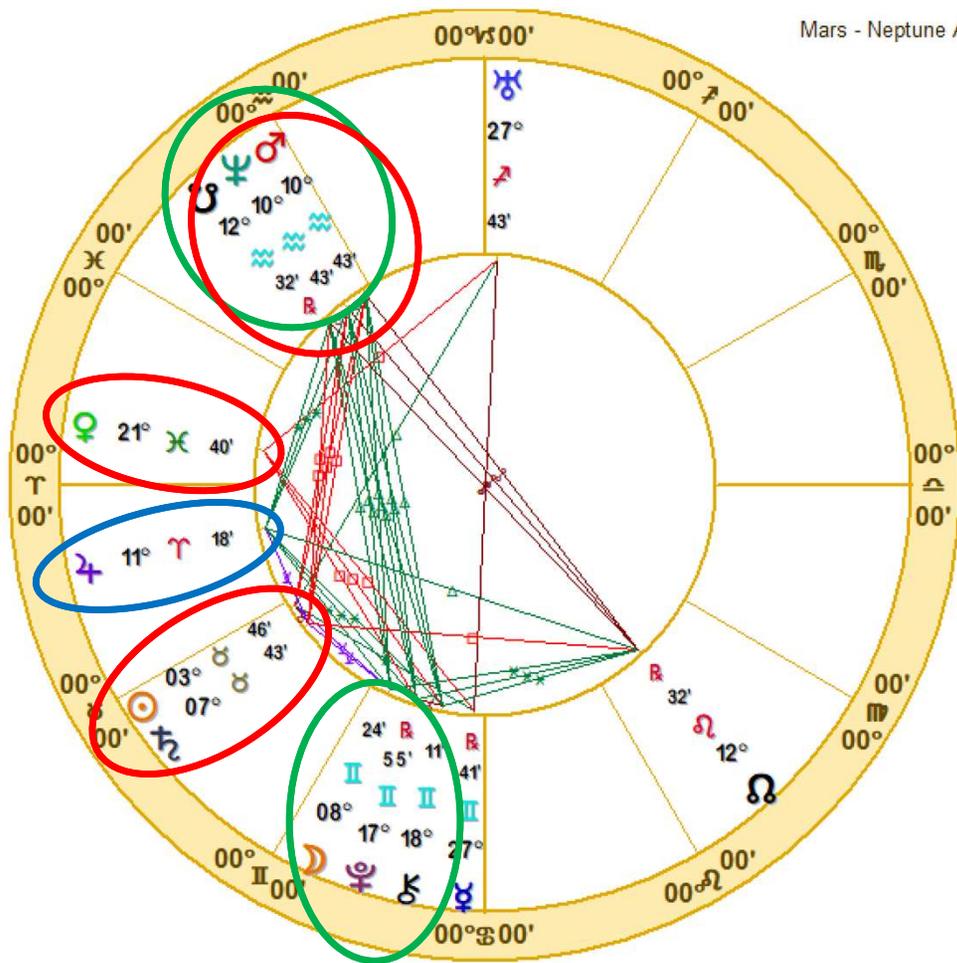
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Nonetheless, the Mars/Neptune arc transform shows us both the promise and the challenges that lie ahead.