

The Asteroid Report Chiron and the Asteroids

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House Cusps
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Moon	Leo	28°Le38'	09th	02 09°Sg47'
Mercury	Libra	23°Li47'	12th	03 09°Cp39'
Venus	Sagittarius	02°Sg04'	01st	04 03°Pi51'
Mars	Libra	09°Li28'	11th	05 27°Pi42'
Jupiter	Capricorn	14°Cp29'	03rd	06 21°Ar34'
Saturn	Scorpio	13°Sc46'	12th	07 15°Ta16'
Uranus	Pisces	22°Pi29' R	04th	08 09°Ge47'
Neptune	Leo	24°Le14'	09th	09 09°Ca39'
Pluto	Cancer	14°Ca45'	09th	10 03°Vi51'
Midheaven	Virgo	03°Vi51'		11 27°Vi42'
Ascendant	Scorpio	15°Sc16'		12 21°Li34'
Chiron	Aries	26°Ar21' R	06th	
Ceres	Leo	11°Le16'	09th	
Pallas	Gemini	25°Ge09'	08th	
Juno	Sagittarius	16°Sg49'	02nd	
Vesta	Cancer	04°Ca05'	08th	

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Introduction

Astrology is an ancient science and art that has been in use for centuries. The planets are named after the Mediterranean gods of ancient Rome and Greece. This illustrates the awareness possessed by our ancestors of the synchronicity between the activation of life's archetypal energies and the movements of heavenly bodies that seem to measure the timing of these events.

The last few centuries have been an exciting time for astrologers. We have witnessed the discovery of the outer planets and watched them conform to the synchronistic meaning ascribed to them by their names, joining and expanding the pantheon of deities that dance through the horoscopes of people and political events. Astrologers have become comfortable with the extended astrological family that now includes Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto, and these have been utilized in western astrology for most of the twentieth century. Since the dust has settled from these cosmic discoveries, astrologers have had some time to study the action of some other newly discovered heavenly bodies - namely Chiron and the asteroids.

The asteroids lie in a belt that orbits between Mars and Jupiter. It is now known that this belt is comprised of thousands of asteroids, but the first four were discovered many years in advance of the rest. These four asteroids were named after four major Olympic goddesses, which happened to redress the gender imbalance among the primarily male planetary deities that populate the horoscope. Thus it was that Ceres, Juno, Vesta, and Pallas Athena came along at the time of the birth of the women's movement in the nineteenth century. Astrologers do work with the myriad of other asteroids as well, but these four, with their associations to four of the most important goddesses, are the "standard" ones in use.

Chiron was discovered in 1977, and was named after the wise Greek centaur who tasted immortality. Chiron lies between Saturn and Uranus and occasionally passes within the orbit of Saturn. At first thought to be a comet or asteroid it is now considered a "planetoid" or small planet-like body.

The astrological portraits of the asteroids and Chiron have emerged through the observations of fascinated astrologers over the last century. This report informs you of their symbolic meaning and gives you insight into how they operate in your own horoscope.

Chiron & the Asteroids in Your Chart

Chiron

The astronomical body, Chiron (once thought to be a comet or asteroid, now considered a "planetoid" or small planet-like body) is named after the ancient Greek, centaur demi-god who was horse from the waist down and human from the waist up. Chiron's orbit, unlike that of the asteroids, lies between Saturn and Uranus, and is irregular in that it occasionally crosses inside the orbit of Saturn. This astronomical characteristic is symbolic of Chiron's reputation for being somewhat of a maverick.

Chiron was no ordinary run-of-the-mill centaur at the mercy of instincts and appetites. He displayed such self-mastery and was so wise and gifted in both the arts of healing and the arts of war and statesmanship, that he found himself mentor to heroes and kings and their sons. His service was of such value that he was granted immortality by the gods. Chance would have it that he was accidentally wounded in the foot by one of his own poisoned arrows, carelessly tossed by one of his fosterlings (Heracles). Since by this time he was immortal, the result of this mishap was that Chiron was condemned by fate to suffer eternally the agonies of a poisoned wound that could not be healed. In order to obtain release from his endless suffering, the wise old centaur decided to relinquish the mantle of immortality that had been bestowed upon him. He gave it, instead, to Prometheus (who needed it to be freed from the punishment he suffered for mocking the gods and stealing their fire). In this way, Chiron embraced death and found release from his suffering.

Astrologically, Chiron's placement in the horoscope indicates one's experience of the wound that does not heal, (or the wound that does not seem to heal, because although an important lesson may be learned through dealing with it, the wound seems to spiral around with another lesson on a deeper level). Chiron represents one's experience of woundedness and the nature of the wound. Second, by coming to terms with suffering through an acceptance of one's mortality, one arrives at a greater state of wholeness or healing. Third, Chiron shows how one comes into one's own as an elder or mentor who can provide healing and guidance to others. Thus Chiron also astrologically indicates the ways and means with which you can guide others, as well as the kind of mentoring and healing you seek for yourself.

Chiron in Aries

When Chiron is in Aries, you associate mentoring and the healing process with the acquisition of courage, initiative, self-sufficiency, and assertive or competitive skills - such as those gained through sports, martial arts and self-defense activities, or the pursuit of independence. This applies to both the kind of mentoring you seek for yourself, and the kind that you are eventually able to extend to others. You may encounter mentor figures who are bold, exciting, or adventurous. You may feel wounded or inadequate in these traditionally

masculine areas of life, or experience an insoluble conflict in regards to these things. Experiences with overt or covert aggression, premature independence, defeat, or loss of courage can evoke your philosophical side and awaken a true sense of wisdom as you struggle to come to terms with the ongoing suffering and the healing sought.

Chiron in 6th House

Chiron in the sixth house indicates that the wounding/healing experience (as described by Chiron's sign placement) plays itself out through the sphere of life that has to do with matters of the daily work environment, co-workers, bosses, and employees. Master/apprentice, master/servant, or master/disciple relationships can be profoundly healing, or deeply wounding and conflict-ridden. Apprenticeship, the gaining of work skills, and service activities may be experiences that confront you with your own sense of woundedness. You may encounter helpful mentor figures through such activities, or perhaps through the field of preventative health care. You may be particularly susceptible to physical reactions to stress in the work place, and have to struggle to maintain good health. Excessively high standards (and thus a critical attitude towards co-workers), perfectionism, or workaholic tendencies can have a wounding effect, and any dysfunctional defense mechanisms you use to deal with the painful issue can cause you further difficulties. Eventually you learn how to integrate and learn from these experiences in such a way that you cyclically reap deeper and deeper healing and wisdom from them.

Moon Trine Chiron Orb: 02°17'

Chiron forms a harmonious aspect with the Moon. The Chiron archetype is complemented by your emotional and instinctive responses. Other people feel nurtured by your counsel, and healed by your nurturance. There is a healing touch to your natural caring way of responding to any event, person, or stimulus. You are extremely sensitive to the suffering of humanity, and to the astral or emotional energies of others. You have an instinctive sympathy towards the wounded animal in others (especially wounds arising from relationships to mother or other anima figures).

Sun Opposite Chiron Orb: 06°51'

Chiron forms a challenging aspect with the Sun. The mentor/wounded healer archetype within yourself is at loggerheads with your sense of self-essence or self-identity. Your sense of self and your ability to live from the center of your own creative essence may be strongly colored by a feeling of woundedness that can cause you to mistrust or fear your own core essence. Perhaps you fear that an inner self doesn't exist, is missing, or, if allowed to shine, will be found lacking or inadequate. Or perhaps you feel that all creative expression is pre-doomed to failure. To avoid the ultimate pain of such a possibility, you might, as a result, avoid trying to reconnect with an essence whose existence you now doubt. The original severance of that connection is the true source of your woundedness. Severance from or wounding caused by the father figure or other animus figures can cause you to shun male mentors or healers who could assist you. An attitude of pseudo-masculine posturing could prevent you from acknowledging your own woundedness and vulnerability, and prevent you from growing. Or perhaps you experience conflict because of mentor/healer types who don't permit or who subversively

undermine your own creative expression of self-purpose. Resolution to these conflicts lies in meeting both needs: the need to connect with and trust one's inner self, and the need to heal old wounds through accepting guidance from others who have already embarked on the healing journey.

Mercury Opposite Chiron Orb: 02°34'

Chiron forms a challenging aspect with Mercury. The Centaur battles the wily Fox! You may experience speech or learning difficulties due to the inhibition caused by an educational system that tells the masses what and how to know, and expects all individuals to be ready to learn certain things (ie. reading and writing) at the same age. Or perhaps you are the "objective" one whose rational thought processes are offended or challenged by the perceptions, healing abilities, or holistic worldviews of others. You may have difficulty in being direct, or in verbally communicating your thoughts or perceptions, especially if your views do not adhere to the "informed thinking" or "latest research" of the times. You may learn to doubt or mistrust your own intuitions and non-logical knowings because there is no "reason" for them. There may be an issue with subliminal mind control, whether through media, cult, political or educational brain washing. The challenge is to learn to see that there is a place for both the intuitive, holistic, non-rational zen mind as well as for straightforward communication and logical rational thought processes. Otherwise the Centaur and the Fox will be fighting until the cows come home.

Neptune Trine Chiron Orb: 02°07'

Chiron forms a harmonious aspect with Neptune. Your capacity for compassion, sensitivity, and transcendent experience is a great resource that helps you to heal painful wounds (your own, or those of others). These wounds are likely to involve issues arising from a poor sense of personal boundaries, feelings of victim-hood or helplessness, escapism via spiritual or substance abuses, or difficulty distinguishing ordinary from non-ordinary states of mind. A non-acceptance of human failings and the sufferings and evils of the world, and a desire to regress to a womb-like state can play a part in these problems. You may have a healing influence upon others via your artistic or musical gifts, your spiritual sensibility, or your compassion and psychic sensitivity. Your artistic expressions may touch the wounds of others, deal with healing themes, or be utilized in therapeutic settings. Dream therapy, dream journaling or visualization techniques may also be a part of your healing kit.

Ceres

Ceres is the expression of the Earth Goddess archetype that has been worshipped in many forms by various cultures. This archetype has always been associated with mother earth, harvests, a transformational journey to and from the underworld, rites of passage, and the birth or resurrection of a fertility deity.

The myth of Demeter (da mater or "earth mother") and the sudden abduction of her dearly loved daughter Persephone by the lord of the underworld contains the same universal symbolism as other Earth Goddess myths. These myths may appear, at first, to be early

explanations for the changing of the seasons. They are actually wise, rich, symbolic teachings on such profound themes as loss and renewal, death and rebirth, and the endless transformation that constitutes the very laws of creation to which this universe and everything in it adheres.

On a more personal level, the Ceres myth deals with the severance of the bonds of love and/or attachment. When we experience love as we have known it being taken from us, we can feel as if we have been cast into a realm of eternal darkness, never to return to the world of the living again. We may then be unable to let go of the past, reliving it again and again in our minds - protesting and resisting the present, and demanding that it somehow hand over to us the treasure that has been snatched away.

Yet as with Demeter, who chose to forgo her divinity and wander in the world of humans, after which she was reunited annually with her transformed daughter, it is only when we can give up notions of eternal paradise and immortality that we can relinquish old attachments. Only when we have been humbled by and have accepted those mysterious cyclic forces beyond ourselves that we can be restored to a state of plentitude and abundance in the here and now. Then we can truly understand how our cup must be emptied in order to be filled afresh.

Ceres in the birth chart thus describes what one really cares about, and the way one nurtures others (and needs to be nurtured oneself) in a parental kind of way. It also indicates where one may tend to cling, the kind of separations that can be traumatic, and what one may be required to give up (or share with others) in order to grow. It can also indicate the ways in which we seek for something that seems to be missing, something we didn't get enough of, as well as the ways that can help us mourn such a loss. As with Demeter and Persephone, Ceres can also indicate the kind of experience that constitutes a rite of passage - the most profound transformation: the death and rebirth of the self.

Ceres in Leo

With Ceres in Leo, nurturance is conveyed in a benevolent, regal way - the "Queen Mum." There is a protective, lordly nature that seems to instill confidence in others: "Never fear," it says, "I am here; I will provide!" You associate nurturance with the fostering of creativity, and the pride and confidence that comes through the encouragement of self-expression. Lack of this kind of nurturance at an early age can result in lack of confidence and inferiority or superiority complexes. This lack could be a source of grief, through which you learn how to provide this kind of nurturance for yourself and, thus, for others. You may nurture others through your own creativity or through inspiring them to express theirs. Your own creativity may express themes of separation and reunion, or may center around a noble, heroic, figure. Loss of creativity, the father, providing parent, or other animus figures could be a source of grief, and could serve as transformative experiences for you, ones that initiate you into the lessons of loss and return, death and rebirth, and simply letting go.

Ceres in 9th House

Ceres in the ninth house indicates that you can nurture others through encouraging them in their search for knowledge, universal truth, and expansion of mind. You may also enjoy giving to others through helping them to broaden their cultural horizons via exposure to foreign language, travel, or philosophies (especially those that emphasize harmony with the earth, teachings of the Feminine, or the practical sharing of the earth's resources). These interests may

be expressed through publishing, teaching, ministering, or provision of legal assistance. You may awaken to such teachings as a result of archetypal experiences of loss and return encountered in connection with legal proceedings or issues of higher education. The integration of parenting and the pursuit of higher education can be a major concern for you. You may unconsciously seek a parent-figure in your mentors or teachers, for you yourself feel a parental-type love when teaching or guiding others.

Mars Sextile Ceres Orb: 01°48'

Ceres forms a harmonious aspect with Mars. Mother/daughter meets the masculine god of war! Your fighting spirit and warrior skills are enhanced by or complimented by your experience of mother-child bonds. You will fight for what you care about, like a parental crusader. You express a defensive attitude towards others who struggle with themes of loss and return, nurturing them by affirming their independence, boosting their sense of self-confidence, and encouraging them to stand on their own two feet. This ability comes from your own courage in dealing with life's inevitable losses.

Saturn Square Ceres Orb: 02°31'

Ceres forms a challenging aspect with Saturn. The longing for nurturing bonds encounters the longing for achievement in such a way that these two aspects of yourself seem to be at odds with each other. The need to care for others may conflict with the need to be the breadwinner or pursue a career. There could be a need to achieve in order to gain recognition from parental figures who withheld emotional affection. Or perhaps you feel emotionally threatened by intimate relationships and you respond by severing ties, or avoiding closeness altogether. Such types of conflict may have their roots in your experience (or lack of experience) of the formation and severance of strong emotional ties, especially ties with maternal or disciplining figures. The answer to this conflict lies in learning to see that both the need for nurturing ties and the need for practical achievements can and do co-exist, both within yourself and within those who seem to oppose you (who may carry your unconscious projections of the denied need). Once you can do this, your no-nonsense wisdom in coping with the practical realities of life can be a great source of comfort to others who are struggling with life's losses and difficult rites of passage.

Pallas

As with goddess-myths associated with the other asteroids, the myths that pertain to the warrior goddess Pallas Athena reflect socio-historic upheavals as well as archetypal themes. One of the most interesting aspects of Athena's myth, as it has evolved, is the changing nature of her birth. In her earliest form she was said to have been born of Lake Triton in Libya, home of the legendary amazons. Her worship was brought to the Greek islands much later by the Libyans themselves as they emigrated across the Mediterranean sea. The story of her birth reflected this migration, for she was then said to be born of Metis - a sea goddess. Further evolution of her myth reflects the encounter of the goddess worshipping peoples with the patriarchal people invading Greece from the north: Metis (whose name means Wise Counsel), pregnant with Athena, was devoured by the invaders' god, Zeus, who later gave birth to a fully

grown and fully armored Pallas Athena from his head. Later versions of this myth omit altogether any mention of Metis, and depict Athena as having been conceived without a woman's involvement.

Later myth also portrays Athena as bringing about the destruction of both Pallas and Medusa in what appears to be sociological evidence of the attempt to destroy goddess worship. (Pallas, Athena, and Medusa were the three faces of the Libyan version of the triple goddess.) In one of these myths Zeus tricks Athena into killing her Amazonian sister Pallas during a friendly competition. Another myth relates how Athena helped King Perseus to cut off Medusa's head by giving him a mirror to use so he could avoid her deadly gaze. Yet, as much as these myths might have been used as evidence of the wise Athena's denunciation of the Feminine, they also contain symbolism that indicates how Athena preserved the goddess trinity. For, upon the death of Pallas, the grieving Athena placed her sister's name before her own. As for her attitude towards Medusa, she bore Medusa's image upon her breastplate and distributed her blood to healers as a regenerative medicine. The symbolic importance of the mirror in the Perseus-Medusa conflict also hints at Athena's wisdom and gift as a mediator in teaching how to reconcile opposites by seeing in oneself the disowned qualities that are projected onto opponents.

Pallas Athena signifies wisdom and creative problem solving in which a holistic view of conflicting or opposite elements (the Masculine and the Feminine) is required. This sense of fairness is backed up by a willingness to defend or fight for the underdog. Thus Pallas Athena is also associated with fighting for causes. She represents the application of practical skill and creative intelligence in order to best be of service. She was the goddess of war (defense, originally) as well as the goddess of wisdom and culture - patroness of the civilized arts such as pottery, sculpture, weaving, architecture, and animal husbandry. Pallas Athena can also represent the denial of one's own gender in an effort to cope with situations that require the skills of the opposite gender in order to survive, as well as the struggle to rediscover and reconnect with essential qualities of one's own sex. Androgynous conditions and healing through feminine wisdom, energy balancing or conflict resolution are also expressions of the Pallas Athena archetype.

Pallas in Gemini

Pallas Athena in Gemini denotes perceptive insight or intuitional skill when it comes to communication and teaching. You may be particularly inventive or subtle in the use of gesture, words, speech or writing, and it may be important for you to utilize your skills in the communication of knowledge and ideas in your career. You might also employ these abilities in order to defend or fight for some social, political, or minority cause (see Pallas Athena's house position, below) - making speeches or inspiring others through your writings. You may write as a way of making a cultural contribution, or perhaps your thoughts, speech, or writing revolve around issues dealing with sexual identity or the balancing of the Feminine and Masculine. You have a deeply intuitive and wise grasp of knowledge, and may feel it a mission to pass it on - through creative writing, story-telling, or teaching. Skills in healing or conflict resolution lie in the creative use of word, thought, and perception: mantras, affirmations, and positive thinking; as well as in therapies aimed at the functions of speech, the nervous system, or manual dexterity.

Pallas in 8th House

In the eighth house Pallas Athena's refined sense of wisdom as well as her atypical sense of gender roles affect the domain of one's sexuality and power interactions with others. Sexuality may not find outlet in traditional ways and may instead be sublimated into transformational esoteric practices, or into business and financial pursuits (at which you are quite gifted). You may utilize your creative gifts or political/humanitarian conscience in fund-raising pursuits (perhaps working behind the scenes, or secretly) to support causes which may aid victims of power abuse or political oppression. Difficulty can arise if Pallas Athena's energy is expressed as a crusade in which power (whether occult, sexual, or financial) is all that matters.

Moon Sextile Pallas Orb: 03°29'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a harmonious aspect with the Moon. Your creative intellect and socio-cultural pursuits and are fortified by your emotional energies. You are emotionally at ease in non-traditional gender, cultural, or political settings. Creative or cultural expression feeds your sense of emotional well being, and you may care for others through your practical creativity, your courage, and your wise approach to conflict resolution. You could be seen as a kind of mother figure to some minority or oppressed group that you support.

Sun Trine Pallas Orb: 05°39'

The asteroid Pallas Athena (the patron-goddess of wisdom, culture and the arts) forms a harmonious aspect with the Sun (one's sense of identity and essential purpose). Your sense of identity is augmented by your creative intellect and your cultural or socio-political awareness. Creative expression comes easily to you, and you have a knack for finding practical uses for it, sometimes putting them to use in support of socio-cultural activities. You relate harmoniously with both genders and often have creative or wise solutions for conflict resolution. You can draw on an ample supply of courage and wisdom.

Mercury Trine Pallas Orb: 01°22'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a harmonious aspect with Mercury. Your intellectual-communicative abilities and your cultural and socio-political urges mutually enhance each other. You appreciate fine or thought-provoking literature and intellectual discussions, especially when the topic revolves around issues of the arts or non-traditional gender, cultural, or political issues. You may enjoy networking with community projects that support these issues, perhaps supporting them through your writing or communicative skills.

Uranus Square Pallas Orb: 02°40'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a challenging aspect with Uranus. The cultural protectress-patroness of the arts meets the freedom fighter, and lines are drawn in the sand! The need for creative or cultural expression conflicts with the urge for freedom and change. Humanitarian activities or collective enterprises may conflict with one's involvement in mental or artistic pursuits. Revolutionary ideals and rebellious tendencies could be a little over-zealous, with a contempt for creative or cultural concerns which are viewed as the province of the

privileged. Or, conversely, socially or culturally "correct" attitudes could be suffocating, though trendy, and create trouble for the individualist who sees things differently. Identification with unconventional gender roles could create chaotic stress or confusion. The nervous system can suffer from excessive mental activity or from the stress of conflicts like those listed here. The answer lies in accepting both the need for artistic/cultural expression and the need for change and individual freedom. This will alleviate the tendency to unconsciously deny one of these needs and then "see the enemy out there."

Neptune Sextile Pallas Orb: 00°55'

The asteroid Pallas Athena forms a harmonious aspect with Neptune. You are able to balance your need for internal spiritual, transcendent experience with your need for outward expression of your mental/creative skills and socio-political interests. You may be quite gifted artistically or musically, or perhaps your wisdom and skill gets expressed through your ability in the healing arts. You have a high degree of compassion. You may possess finely developed psychic abilities or a profoundly experienced spirituality. You may support causes that are spiritual in nature, or those that focus on health or recovery from addictions.

Juno

Juno (whose Greek name is Hera) is an ancient Queen of Heaven Goddess dating from that matriarchal period when the sovereign Deity was female and reigned alone, presiding over the mysteries of birth, motherhood, and the various phases of reproduction. Mythology relates how she was seduced by Zeus, married him out of a sense of honor, endured a marriage characterized by power struggles over issues of fidelity and bearing a line of descent, as well as how she went into retreat occasionally in order to renew and center herself. Her myth parallels the history of social upheaval in the lands where she was worshipped. Northern invaders struggled to impose traditions of patrilineal descent and the worship of their chief god, Zeus, upon the indigenous matriarchal cultures of Mycenaean Greece and Crete. Over a period of hundreds of years of cultural conflict, the two divinities were forced to share the altar. Thus, in addition to her authority over matters pertaining to childbirth and motherhood, Juno has come to be associated with issues of socially acknowledged relationship, legal marriage, marital fulfillment through commitment and fidelity, and the struggle for equality within a relationship. She represents, also, the kind of power struggles that involve controlling the partner through control over offspring, or through the withholding of sex or emotional intimacy. Juno can also represent committed relationships entered into out of a sense of duty, guilt, or for social reasons.

Juno represents both the need for relationship and the refusal to accept inequality within the context of a relationship. She represents the struggle to balance the need for intimacy with the opposing need for freedom - needs which both partners have, although one of these needs may be projected onto the partner. She can also represent the need to take marriage as a sacred trust, a way that leads to spiritual fulfillment through the reconciliation of the opposites in a state of union.

On another level, Juno can represent the way in which one feels rendered powerless by conflict in spite of sincere effort and irreproachable conduct on one's own part. The harder one tries, the more inadequate one's efforts seem to be, for there is a tendency to cling to old

methods when circumstances have changed and a whole new paradigm is needed before the way clear can be seen. This frustration can sometimes lead to self-depreciation and loss of faith in oneself. Juno thus symbolizes the transition state between old and new ways of being, where the old fails to meet the needs of the times and the new is not yet manifest. She describes the need for a kind of spiritual self-rejuvenation that is needed in order to see oneself through times of utter disintegration into the future that awaits. Juno in the horoscope thus represents the ways in which we need to renew ourselves, and where our ability to adjust to changing circumstances is most tested.

Since marriage proved to be this goddess' testing ground, Juno in the horoscope also indicates the qualities associated with one's marriage partner and the ways in which one handles intimacy/freedom needs as well as the jealousy and insecurity that often accompany this balancing act. Juno's position describes the nature of any control issues, the ways in which such power struggles get enacted, and the type of sacred cows that need to be relinquished so that the path to marital fulfillment can unfold. Juno's placement in your chart can refer not only to your mate (or the way that you perceive your mate), but to the relationship and to your own behavior in a committed relationship as well.

Juno in Sagittarius

With Juno in Sagittarius, the qualities you seek in a committed relationship are freedom, a spirit of adventure, a shared vision, and a shared belief system to lend you faith and inspiration in the movement towards your goals. You appreciate a partner with a love for the outdoors and an interest in outdoor sports. Someone who's willing to explore, and to travel beyond the familiar in search of truth and the unknown. It could be that, in spite of your best efforts, you yourself experience a sense of inadequacy or powerlessness when it comes to such matters, or that your partner is doing all the expressing in this regard (or vice versa). This could be a source of difficulty when it comes to intimate relations, and may lead to fanatic adherence to one's own beliefs. Intimacy/freedom needs, childbearing, fidelity, and power issues need to be handled frankly, otherwise unrealistic expectations can result.

Juno in 2nd House

Juno in the second house indicates that you derive a sense of self-worth through being in a committed relationship. You may associate your mate with financial and material security. Sharing the responsibility for these matters is important in order for your relationship to be healthy. There could be issues around who provides and who is provided for, or perhaps one partner treats the other more like a coveted possession than a simple human being with needs for love and affection. Issues regarding possessions and material resources are likely to be a major focus in your relationship. The qualities described by Juno's sign position (above) indicates the manner in which you can best deal with these issues.

Sun Sextile Juno Orb: 02°41'

Juno forms a harmonious aspect with the Sun. The need for intimacy and a mutually supportive relationship combines with the sense of identity and creative purpose in a natural, easy manner. You like to relate harmoniously with others, and you are able to handle with grace

such issues as the struggle for equality and the need for autonomy within relationship. You may be supportive of your partner's creative expression and playfulness, or be attracted to a partner who supports your own creativity and self-expression. Such interests may provide you and your partner with a comfortable way to share and enrich your relationship.

Uranus Square Juno Orb: 05°39'

Juno forms a challenging aspect with Uranus. The rebel meets the liberated partner! The need for intimacy and the need for freedom just can't seem to make room for each other. Perhaps you feel that committed relationships hinder your process of individuation, or cramp your exciting style of life. Or perhaps you use your relationship as an excuse for not marching to the tune of your own drummer. You may feel that your need for constant change and excitement makes it impossible for you to experience lasting ties with another person on an equal one-to-one basis. Humanitarian activities or collective enterprises may conflict with partnership commitments. Rather than pitting these two needs against one another - siding with one, and denying/projecting the other out onto people around you (especially partners), you'll find it more fulfilling, though possibly hard work, to try to find ways to meet both. Then your relationships and your sense of freedom and excitement can enliven and enrich each other.

Vesta

The asteroid Vesta (Latin) is named after the ancient Greek goddess Hestia, first born of the Olympian deities and last released by her father Cronos (father Time), who at one point swallowed all his offspring. Thus she denotes the beginning and the end - alpha and omega - and serves as a reminder of the source from which all things originate and to which all must return. She represents the preservation of sacredness and the state of connection to formless Essence. As such, she is the only Olympic deity not worshipped anthropomorphically; she is symbolized only by the altar and its sacred flame. Thus she also represents any sacred space - be it temple, sweat lodge, or meditation corner - that acts as a container in which we may center ourselves, and feel the presence of Spirit. In ancient times Vesta was worshipped both in the city center as the flaming altar, and in every home as the central hearth whose embers were literally passed on down through the generations from mother to daughter when the daughter married and established her own hearth. In this manner Vesta came to represent the perpetuation of the spark of life, and of civilization and one's ancestral and cultural roots.

In early matriarchal societies, priestesses honoring Hestia maintained a connection to this spiritual essence (represented by a sacred flame that they tended night and day). They offered themselves in sacred sexual union in order to teach the divine aspect of sexuality and the need to remain aware of the sacred while engaged in physical life. The priestesses remained unmarried and committed to none but themselves and their worship. Their sons (conceived anonymously during ceremonial summer solstice rites) served as year-kings when there was no royal heir. These customs were finally abolished when patrilineal traditions were enforced and the priestesses were compelled by the Roman king to serve as keepers of the new (patriarchal) civilization and to observe vows of celibacy. To break these vows entailed a cruel death penalty. In exchange for the relinquishment of their sexuality, matrilineal customs, and true spiritual function, the priestesses (Vestal Virgins) were granted freedom from paternal control.

Vesta's sacred flame represents, in the yogic tradition, the kundalini force which, when properly awakened and channeled, leads to spiritual development. Thus, astrologically, Vesta has come to represent both spirituality and consecrated (or desecrated) sexuality. This can include a wide range of sexual expressions such as abstinence, renunciation and celibacy, the celebration of spiritually honored sexuality, sexual idealism, and the sacred whore. Astrologically, Vesta stands for that which provides us with inner sustenance; the way in which we are pulled back to our core or inner self; and the struggle between this and the demands of the outer world. Vesta represents the way in which we long to bless others with the fruits of the spiritual resources we have found within ourselves, but it is also the need to retreat and preserve our inner sanctuary against any disrespectful intrusion. Vesta is associated with dedication, focus, and commitment. She represents those things that helps us focus, the way in which we dedicate ourselves with heart and soul, and that for which we are ready (or compelled) to make a sacrifice. The things indicated by Vesta's position in your chart may be things that you feel compelled to give up or sacrifice, often out of a sense of spiritual compulsion. Yet they can also be the very things that evoke your dedication - leading to a sense of deep inner fulfillment when you are willing to make some sacrifices on their behalf. Keep this paradox in mind as you read on, for Vesta can express itself one way or the other - or both!

Vesta in Cancer

Vesta in Cancer indicates that nurturance, emotional rapport, and a sense of shelter (whether from the family home or from spiritual refuge) are the things that help you feel focused and centered. Externally, they are also the means through which you can commit your focused energies with dedication, zeal, and even sacrifice (described further by Vesta's house position, below). There may be sacrifices in connection with home and family. You revere emotional tenderness when it comes to sexuality as well, for through it you can experience the spiritually fulfilling nature of sex. You have a great capacity for empathy, but you can invest so much emotional energy into caring for others that you renounce your own emotional needs in favor of theirs - to the point that you seem to have no emotion or feeling of your own. Or you may, through one-pointedness, become so absorbed in your own emotional need that you lose sight of the goal your emotional sensitivity serves. In either case, you can end up feeling emotionally unbalanced (hypersensitive or clingy), and out of touch with your inner self. It helps to balance your care of others with concern for your own emotional well being. By constantly re-anchoring your empathy and emotional sensitivity in your sense of inner spiritual presence, you can renew the sense of fulfilling dedication to your goals.

Vesta in 8th House

Vesta in the eighth house indicates that sacrificial dedication and intense focus are centered around the in-depth and transformational aspects of life - such intense experiences as birth, death, and sexual or mystical union. The longing to become renewed or transformed through the union with the energies of the "not-self," or others, includes the material resources of others as well, so that the sharing or inheritance of the wealth of others can also be issues in which you tend to experience sacrifice or dedication. This sense of sacrifice could be expressed either as denying yourself these things for the sake of some other goal (which may be spiritual or religious in nature), or as an intense one-pointed focus on these very things themselves. Sexual passion can be sublimated into mystical passion. At any rate, your focus is passionately intense,

and if at times this proves a little much for others, such difficulties will help you learn to engage positively in powerful interactions with others. Careful consideration of these activities or issues will help you understand how to best manage your sense of commitment and remain centered in your self.

Mars Square Vesta Orb: 05°23'

Your Vesta forms a challenging aspect with Mars. Your fighting spirit and masculine energies are at loggerheads with the whole issue of dedication and self-sacrifice. You may feel, or be made to feel, that it is unmanly for men to express themselves in spiritual or sexually honoring ways. Or perhaps you struggle with a lack of confidence or fear of confrontation when it comes to expressing your spiritual views, your sexuality, or your capacity for dedication to a cherished activity. Sexual or spiritual trauma resulting from patriarchal abuses may require healing in order to move beyond a state of entrenched conflict. Or perhaps spiritual views leave you feeling uncomfortable about your more masculine characteristics, such as willful drive or assertiveness. Impossible as it may seem, there is a place in the world, and in you, for both cherishing sacrifice and healthy masculine assertiveness. The more you can entertain this possibility and give up the tendency to take sides between these two expressions, the more you will experience the resolution and healing of old conflicts of this nature.

This sums up your report for Chiron and the asteroids in your chart. An astrological chart is like a blueprint of the human psyche, with its great and dramatic cast of archetypes. And each human psyche is like a unique, one-of-a-kind carpet woven from many beautiful threads of many different colors. Chiron and the asteroids are five of those threads.

This report has described each of those five threads by house and sign, and has even described what happens when one of those threads is intertwined with other single threads (the other planets). And this does give you some kind of overall picture. But the best way to understand the pattern that all the threads make in their weaving of the whole unique carpet, is to consult an astrologer skilled in chart interpretation. The astrologer can make a big difference in helping you piece together the puzzle of your chart so that, in the end, you can see the beautiful carpet where once, perhaps, all you saw was a tangle of threads. Hopefully, this report will help you to understand some of the magical threads that are woven into your life.