

FREE WILL ASTROLOGY

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): "You have to participate relentlessly in the manifestation of your own blessings," says author Elizabeth Gilbert. I recommend that you experiment with this subversive idea, Aries. Just for a week, see what happens if you devote yourself to making yourself feel really good. I mean risk going to extremes as you pursue happiness with focused zeal. Try this: Draw up a list of experiences that you know will give you intense pleasure, and indulge in them all without apology. And please don't fret about the possible consequences of getting crazed with joy. Be assured that the cosmos is providing you with more slack than usual.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): "I am not washed and beautiful, in control of a shining world in which everything fits," writes Taurus author Annie Dillard, "but instead am wandering awed about on a splintered wreck I've come to care for, whose gnawed trees breathe a delicate air." I recommend you try on her perspective for size. For now, just forget about scrambling after perfection. At least temporarily, surrender any longing you might have for smooth propriety. Be willing to live without neat containment and polite decorum. Instead, be easy and breezy. Feel a generous acceptance for the messy beauty you're embedded in. Love your life exactly as it is, with all of its paradoxes and mysteries.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Studies show that when you're driving a car, your safest speed is 5 miles per hour higher than the average rate of traffic. Faster than that, though, and the danger level rises. Traveling more slowly than everyone else on the road also increases your risk of having an accident. Applying these ideas metaphorically, I'd like to suggest you take a similar approach as you weave your way through life's challenges in the coming week. Don't dawdle and plod. Move a little swifter than everyone else, but don't race along at a breakneck pace.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The key theme this week is *relaxed intensification*. Your assignment, should you choose to accept it, is to heighten and strengthen your devotion to things that are important to you — but in ways that make you feel more serene and self-possessed. To accomplish this, you will have to ignore the conventional wisdom, which falsely asserts that going deeper and giving more of yourself require you to increase your stress levels. You do indeed have a great potential for going deeper and giving more of yourself, but only if you also become more at peace with yourself and more at home in the world.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Last year a young Nebraskan entrepreneur changed his name from Tyler Gold to Tyrannosaurus Rex Gold. He said it was a way of giving him greater name recognition as he worked to build his career. Do you have any interest in making a bold move like that, Leo? The coming weeks would be a good time for you to think about adding a new twist to your nickname or title or self-image. But I recommend something less sensationalistic and more in line with the qualities you'd actually like to cultivate in the future. I'm thinking of something like Laughing Tiger or Lucky Lion or Willy Wildcat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): African-American jazz singer Billie Holiday was the great-granddaughter of a slave. By the time she was born in 1915, black people in the American South were no longer "owned" by white "masters," but their predicament was still extreme. Racism was acute and debilitating. Here's what Billie wrote in her autobiography: "You can be up to your boobies in white satin, with gardenias in your hair and no sugar cane for miles, but you can still be working on a plantation." Nothing you experience is remotely as oppressive as what Billie experienced, Virgo. But I'm wondering if you might suffer from a milder version of it. Is any part of you oppressed and inhibited even though your outward circumstances are technically unconstrained? If so, now's the time to push for more freedom.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): What resounding triumphs and subtle transformations have you accomplished since your last birthday? How have you grown and changed? Are there any ways you have dwindled or drooped? The next few weeks will be an excellent time to take inventory of these things. Your own evaluations will be most important, of course. You've got to be the ultimate judge of your own character. But you should also solicit the feedback of people you trust. They may be able to help you see clues you've missed. If, after weighing all the evidence, you decide you're pleased with how your life has unfolded these past ten to eleven months, I suggest you celebrate your success. Throw yourself a party or buy yourself a reward or climb to the top of a mountain and unleash a victory cry.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Monmouth Park in New Jersey hosts regular horse races from May through November. During one such event in 2010, a horse named Thewifeneeverything finished first, just ahead of another nag named Thewifedoesntknow. I suspect that there'll be a comparable outcome in your life sometime soon. Revelation will trump secrecy. Whoever is hiding information will lose out to anyone who sees and expresses the truth. I advise you to bet on the option that's forthcoming and communicative, not the one that's furtive and withholding.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have both a poetic and a cosmic license to stretch yourself further. It's best not to go too far, of course. You should stop yourself before you obliterate *all* boundaries and break *all* taboos and smash *all* precedents. But you've certainly got the blessings of fate if you seek to disregard *some* boundaries and shatter *some* taboos and outgrow *some* precedents. While you're at it, you might also want to shed a few pinched expectations and escape an irrelevant limitation or two. It's time to get as big and brave and brazen as you dare.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): When I was 19, a thug shot me in the butt with a shotgun at close range. To this day, my body contains the 43 pellets he pumped into me. They have caused some minor health problems, and I'm always queasy when I see a gun. But I don't experience any routine suffering from the wound. Its original impact no longer plagues me. What's your own personal equivalent of my trauma, Capricorn? A sickness that racked you when you were young? A difficult break-up with your first love? The death of someone you cared about? Whatever it was, I suspect you now have the power to reach a new level of freedom from that old pain.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Want to take full advantage of the sexy vibes that are swirling around in your vicinity? One thing you could do is whisper the following provocations in the ear of anyone who would respond well to a dose of boisterous magic: 1) "Corrupt me with your raw purity, baby; beguile me with your raucous honesty." 2) "I finally figured out that one of the keys to eternal happiness is to be easily amused. Want me to show you how that works?" 3) "I dare you to quench my thirst for spiritual sensuality." 4) "Let's trade clothes and pretend we're each other's higher selves."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Some people put their faith in religion or science or political ideologies. English novelist J.G. Ballard placed his faith elsewhere: in the imagination. "I believe in the power of the imagination to remake the world," he wrote, "to release the truth within us, to hold back the night, to transcend death, to charm motorways, to ingratiate ourselves with birds, to enlist the confidences of madmen." As you make your adjustments and reconfigure your plans, Pisces, I suggest you put your faith where Ballard did. Your imagination is far more potent and dynamic than you realize — especially right now.

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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

TRUE LOVE

I'm a young, good-looking lady with a good sense of humor. My main interest right now is finding love with a good man and building a family. **AmandaZina**, 25, 

FUN TIMES :D

Fun times ahead! Biking,gardening,eating outside,swimming,listening to live music,playing with dogs at the beach! You be an optimist, liberal,have a sense of humor and smile easily. No Eeyores, please ! **HappyClam**, 54

AT THE BEACH

I run on the beach (weather permitting!) and practice yoga. Singer, songwriter, percussionist, dancer. Seals at sunset, travel and hot springs. The natural world always calls me to return. **yaquinalady**, 62, 

DANCIN AND BLUES

Looking for someone to "hang out with". Open minded, likes to dance and debate. Books/movies that make you think. Irreverent humor. "Semi-home body". Long talks, no sports, art, travel. Family. **dancinlady**, 61, 

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

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Searching For LOST LIFE FIRST FRIENDSHIPS SECOND LOVE. Will be true & humble , humorous & adventurous, honest & loyal. third times a charm, LIFE AWAITS OLD FRIENDS. **ChrisDC**, 39

HOT LATIN PAPA

Im from Mexico I love to go out for dinner and a movie. Looking for a nice Girl to spend time wit age 33 to 44 for dating or friend-ship. **ernie**, 42

TRAINED IN THERIOGENOLOGY

Looking for a mutually and joyous adventure with a healthy optimistic woman who is financially, emotionally, and otherwise secure. Are you open to new ideas and like to have fun? **blueboy**, 58

WHAT'S UP

Just looking for someone real and fun to explore Eugene with... **bmc4343**, 45

FIT AND FUN

I am trying this out in anticipation of meeting someone who shares the same energy and passion, openness and honesty, and a strong belief and understanding in the "team concept". **FitNFun**, 55, 

JEANS PARK LOVER

SWM, 49 years of age, 5'6", 195 pounds, brown hair and green eyes. never married, no children. Am looking for SWF's between 21 and 40 for friendship and dating. **tallen-lark63**, 50, 

HOWDY THERE

65 year male, exercise such as yoga, hot tubing, machines, grappling, some meditation, flowing dance, bought a new 3 bedroom house,live comfortably,seeking some one compatible in areas of interests. **red-catipillar**, 66, 

I'M RIGHT HERE!

artist,contractor,homeowner, animal lover,black sheep,sweetie,faithful, honest,green eyes,left handed,Libra,craftsman, rocker,disease free,teeth,no commitment phobias. Good looking, good shape. Totally single. **under-dog**, 53, 

I SAW YOU

PATTERN RECOGNITION...COGNIZANCE?

A way well documented...conditioned pattern plays out...real life years given to biological hunger, societal guilt and fear of shame...research the cliché phenomenon... understand perhaps...uniquely change denial cycle...face and heal wounded heart **When: Tuesday, January 1, 2013. Where: From passed pain...passing new wounds. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902937**

MISSING ACOUSTIC GUITAR

from the Whit Block Party, no questions asked. John 503-739-2290. No questions asked. **When: Saturday, August 3, 2013. Where: ? You: Man. Me: Woman. #902936**

HAPPINESS SOUGHT

Another week passes and another adventure missed. I profoundly miss you in my life. The happiness that we could have is immense; hope the stars align for us someday again. **When: Monday, August 5, 2013. Where: 1,4,3,7,5,6- missing you greatly. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902935**

WHIT BLOCKPARTY FASHION-SHOW

had brief meeting, found you entrancing. your friends dog was a 9,999.83 on a scale of 110,000. been wanting to brush up on my french,bet you could help. au revoir **When: Saturday, August 3, 2013. Where: Whitaker block party fashion show. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902934**

RESTLESS FOR REFLECTIONS...

Separate souls...same spirit. Paradoxically, vicariously, we hunt for fawning eyes to fill us with our SELF. Spiting essential, restful knowing that we are whole and already unified...the hungry human ride... **When: Saturday, April 20, 2013. Where: Under youth's falling wave.... You: Woman. Me: Man. #902933**

BEST FRIEND CHARADE...

Hmmm...Best kept secret? Bizarrely belittling LOVE. Refuse test day by day...a supposed sunshine under it's own ray...compelled to hide, for fear of delusions fall to real Life's sway...? Childs play... **When: Thursday, July 4, 2013. Where: In Pain filled avoidance of reality's pain.... You: Woman. Me: Man. #902932**

WHITEAKER BLOCK PARTY

Sol Seeds Territorial stage. You: Wavy hair, barefoot, long skirt, striped vest. Me: Blue shirt, cream shorts. I didn't say hello, big mistake. Second chance? You look really cool. **When: Saturday, August 3, 2013. Where: Sol Seeds at Territorial Stage Whiteaker Block Party. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902931**

BLOCK PARTY FLIRTEYES

We saw each other. You held my gaze long enough to squeeze out a smile. The second time our eyes met, I thought I wanted to know you more :) **When: Saturday, August 3, 2013. Where: Whitaker Block Party. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902930**

FOR MY WIFE&DAUGHTER

blinddreamwoman our past is a story I want the world 2 know. The ANTI-me will believe the truth of our LOVESTORY and our families willknow my pain getting here FOREVER!!! **When: Saturday, August 3, 2013. Where: in pages left unwritten than-kyou WINK. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902928**

ON MY HIP

1993, you, Hickory shirt, Levi's and a Hoyas cap, Me,red Wranglers, t-shirt, and Roper's. I've been lovin' you for 20 years. In my heart and on my hip forever. **When: Friday, December 9, 2011. Where: All Around Me. You: Man. Me: Woman. #902926**

ETERNAL RETURN

Couldn't see how far I'd fallen. Still believe in potential and my responsibility to seek the best of what's possible. How did our things end up in the same drawer? **When: Friday, August 2, 2013. Where: at myside anywhere in the world. You: Man. Me: Woman. #902925**

CAW CAW CAW

All life long. Finding myself lost in your blue eyes. I'll always answer your mating call. **When: Friday, August 2, 2013. Where: In a sea of old people.. You: Man. Me: Woman. #902924**

LOST CANBEE FIND

Heart yearning for my best friend to be real again. Am I done being lost? Do you want to be find? **When: Wednesday, July 31, 2013. Where: In my lost heart. You: Man. Me: Woman. #902923**

BAUHAUS KIVA WOMAN

Kiva 7-27-13. YOU: woman in Bauhaus T-shirt. ME: man in oxblood boots. We exchanged first names but I really wanted to exchange phone numbers. Wanna talk about Dr. Caligari? **When: Saturday, July 27, 2013. Where: The Kiva. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902922**

TENDING THIS WOUND...

Single sentence suture, insufficient. Strengthen and stare fear...allow sorrow to purify... cleansing tears from true eyes...fall apart from falsity, the hardest truth... a soothing lullaby...compared to the softest lie...please try **When: Friday, July 26, 2013. Where: Adding real life to your years.... You: Woman. Me: Man. #902921**

ANOTHER ADVENTURE PASSES

I really wished you were on my adventure this last weekend. I held you close to my heart. Cheers to hope, happiness and dancing together. I miss you greatly. **When: Monday, July 29, 2013. Where: 1,4,3,7,5,6, tour numbers will turn up. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902920**

HOT LIPS ...

We make a great pear! We are alike in so many ways! Thanks for The incredible time we haveWhenWe together! Hoping itWill lastALife time!!!! ChaChing !!!!! **When: Sunday, July 28, 2013. Where: was in my dreams now in my reality. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902919**

YOU. AS YOU...

How eyes convey...mirrors depth staggers psyche and heart... dually exploring illusion and truth...dare YOU allow fantasy to collide with reality?! Wide open hurt, but loyal soul waiting...forgiving...accepting...loving YOU outright! **When: Monday, July 22, 2013. Where: Reflecting hearts history.... You: Woman. Me: Man. #902914**

FIX NOT TOSS

Though you want me no longer, I still have a significant amount of feelings for you and hope you realize what you had is actually worthwhile keeping and cherishing forever. **When: Monday, July 22, 2013. Where: 1,4,3,7,5,6 I miss your face. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902913**

EVERY TEARDROP ALLOWED

Brings us closer to our vital being. Life, river like, pulling soul...calm to turbulent, eventually bending to breaking falls...inevitable change, beckoning... unknown reality ...embraced...clear eyes in mirror... recognized...I thank you **When: Sunday, June 16, 2013. Where: Some o'le river, sweet tear drop falls. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902904**

FOOL HEARTY PLAN

WeHear WeArgue WeGrieve & WeGet back-up for more. That'sLife's goal for me. & along the way WeGet lost & long for those LONGGONE. just to say sorry in the after-life!!! **When: Monday, July 15, 2013. Where: in the EUGENEWEEKLY everyday I want to give up. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902900**

JEANS PARK WOMEN

I saw you sunbathing at Jeans Park; you were wearing a tiny bikini then were nude. I wanted to chat with you but was too shy. Will I get chance? **When: Tuesday, July 9, 2013. Where: Jeans Park. You: Woman. Me: Man. #902895**

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