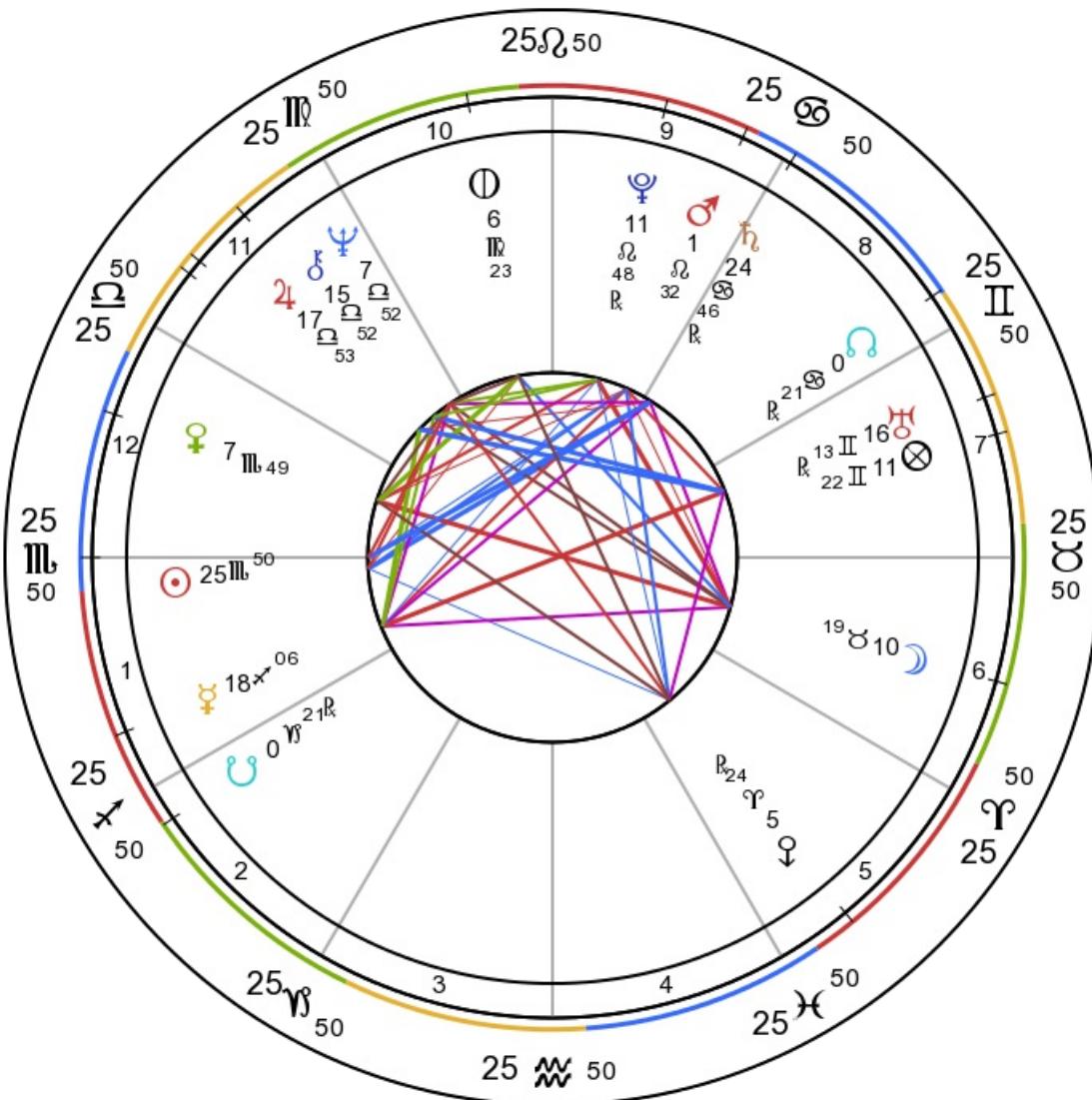


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Introduction

A new planet, called Eris, has appeared in the astrological firmament, although at the time of this writing this is something of a controversial statement in the modern humanistic tradition of Western Astrology. Eris was famously categorized as a “dwarf” planet, along with Pluto, when first officially named in the fall of 2006. Many astrologers took this as an indication that Eris would prove to be some sort of minor planet, but Henry’s research has shown just the opposite, that Eris is indeed a powerful factor in chart analysis, on the same order of importance as little but mighty Pluto, also so designated.

The house in which Eris resides becomes an important area of the chart, and also she greatly emphasizes any personal planet that she touches by natal aspect connection. To the inherent meaning of these chart factors she adds an important component of deep soul intention. Once you begin to look inside for your own deep meaning, this inner value, it is exciting to find it, although it might take you half a lifetime to attain it. This is to what Joseph Campbell was referring when he said that you must “follow your bliss.” The position and planetary connections of Eris are an indicator for finding this sense of purpose, that which, once discovered, you simply cannot not do.

The clues to Eris as Feminine Warrior energy for soul purpose are to be found in the mythology of the Greek Goddess that she was named after. The idea of potentially violent struggle comes to light, as well as the ideal of the vital feminine warrior for just cause. Eris was named after the Goddess of Chaos and Discord, sister of Ares, God of War (in Latin, Mars). She willingly accompanied the God of War into the battle. It is also interesting to note that the new planet, originally designated 2003 UB313, was unofficially nicknamed Xena, after the warrior princess of popular culture. In emphasizing the warrior nature of this planetary archetype, we must also recognize that the name "Goddess of Chaos" does not really suit her, especially when evolved. The Greeks were trying to understand their world, and they well knew that chaos follows war.

Pluto too brings a degree of chaos, with his insistence on transformation, and for leaving the past behind. It is best, with Pluto, not to focus on the chaos, but to await the new birth. In preliminary investigations of the Eris astrological archetype, there is also to be considered a Plutonian element of deep inner process. When Pluto was found in the 1930s, its discovery introduced some dark notions regarding the human condition, of a depth and a power that were previously unacknowledged. It stands to reason that so too, in time, will the discovery of Eris.

There is a militancy expressed with Eris, but it is a feminine one. Eris action comes from deep need, as a mother might resort to violence or determined action to defend her child, or as a mother tiger might kill in order to feed her young. This is different from the warrior energy of the Mars planetary archetype. Mars fights because he wants to, Eris because she has to.

Many of the leaders of the feminist movement over the last two hundred years are possessed of a strong position of Eris, as also are many noted paradigm shifters from Copernicus onward. Einstein had transiting Eris stationing on his Sun degree the year he overturned 19th century physics with the relativity theory. The details of Henry's research are revealed in his book, *The Tenth Planet: Revelations from the Astrological Eris*, from The Wessex Astrologer. A video of Henry discussing the Eris archetype is also available from AstroGraph Software.

Eris is quite powerful in natal charts, of an intensity of meaning that rivals Pluto, her astrological cousin. In this report you will have the chance to see, by house position and by aspect to other natal planets, an important piece of where your own deeper intention lies. This information can provide you with significant clues as to where you might discover your true calling.

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The Planet Eris

Eris in Aries, in the Fifth House

Personal creativity is an area of life that is fundamental to your well being. You are someone who is always engendering new worlds within and outside of yourself to express yourself in. You are thus following your own path and constantly producing artistic output in your own individual way. As you follow your inspiration, whatever that might be, if you are not being yourself at all costs you feel the lack and it drives you slightly insane. You might in this instance, in desperation to find the proper channel for your energies, seek recognition from the world around you in ways that are less than fully constructive. As you mature, you could also find that you are fascinated by the analogs to self-expression, such as children - your own or those of others - stage acting, even in real life, and artistry of all kinds: music, painting, poetry, dance. In these fields of endeavor, your creative self-actualization is at stake, and it is therefore vitally important that you understand yourself fully, as you progress through life, in order that you give your creative output from the actual center of your being, as a vivid emanation of who you at base really are. Once you arrive at even the glimmer of an understanding of your true Self, the purity of your motivation is never in question.

Natal Eris Aspects

Venus in inconjunct with Eris

The planetary energies do not flow smoothly, one or the other predominates; discrimination must be employed.

With Eris in aspect with your natal Venus you have a refined and cultured way of seeing the world around you and yet with an aesthetic vision and a set of ethical judgments that is uniquely your own. You have an artistic bent, and perhaps one that is productive. You are likely to be a little wild yourself, and you definitely appreciate strength of character in others, even to the point of an extra level of intensity that can get them into trouble with the more establishment orientation that, in their quest to find their distinctive voice, they inevitably run up against. Relationship matters to you, greatly, and yet you will not be content with anyone that is in any way ordinary or routine. You are a sensual being who loves to play the edge between enjoying comfortable surroundings, even luxury, and going beyond your comfort zone in search of that sense of extreme experience that is the very breath of life to you. You are affable and diplomatic by nature, and yet in a way that is uniquely yours. Whether you are a man or a woman, you possess a strong feminine side, and a sophisticated and peace-loving viewpoint. Strength of character is always available to you, especially when it really matters. Your search for your own individual values becomes extremely important to you as you mature, and can take on the form of a serious quest, until such time as you feel you have settled into the groove that truly matches your innermost soul.

Mars in trine with Eris

The planetary energies flow smoothly; the connection is easy and beneficial.

With Eris in aspect with your natal Mars, you have a strong intentionality to your makeup, along with what could be termed a lust for competition and success, and as well a take-no-prisoners attitude that immediately cuts to the chase and gets the job done. This would be true in a slightly different sense, in either a man's or a woman's chart. You are full of machismo energy, perhaps athletic and certainly at least quite interested in sexual activity, and have a knack for getting what you want when you decide to really go for it. The object of your quest could change as you mature, and yet what you ultimately stand for is always what comes out of the very core of you, in a totally uncompromising fashion. It seems like you are always hungry for more, whether success, sexual conquest, or accolades, as long as whatever it is that motivates you is a product of your own deep center. You thus have your own set of unique values that drive you, and have trouble accepting the standards of others as any kind of guide for your own behavior. If it makes sense to you, deep down inside yourself, then you will adhere to the rules, but not otherwise. Because this is so, it is extremely important for you to attempt to discern your inner realities in great depth of understanding. Without this understanding you might be somewhat lost, and misdirect your considerable energies. With, however, the advantage of the knowledge of your deep soul purpose, you will thrive.

Uranus in quintile with Eris

The planetary energies are positively linked, subtle, and spiritual in dimension.

With Eris in aspect with your natal Uranus, freedom is your lifeblood, the air you breathe. You are therefore a bit of a rebel, with a sense of mischievousness riding along with you like a second skin. You have the need to constantly explore what it means to be uniquely you, and to give yourself the space to do that. You have a terrific sense of humor, slightly offbeat and naturally funny. Because you are so definitely invested in your own way of seeing things, you do not have an easy time following the rules laid out for society in general, or in behaving in a way that corresponds to the dictates of consensus thinking. You must develop your understanding of what you have deep inside yourself for your life to really begin to make sense to you. When you get your psychic bearings, you are incredibly intuitive, and benefit from the awareness you receive by tapping into the information that is always, somehow, available to you when you reach inside for it. You are tuned to the hidden aspects of the cosmos, as only becomes clearer with reflection, and with the passage of time. Synchronicity is your guide. As you proceed through life, things may sometimes take you by surprise, and then you discover that these unexpected events have something important to convey to you regarding your soul purpose. As you mature in your understanding of who you really are, down inside, you get better at making the vital connection with your inner universe, allowing your life path to come into better focus.

Neptune in opposition with Eris

The planetary energies are polarized; outer events stimulate their interaction; integration is the challenge.

With Eris in aspect with your natal Neptune, part of you may be quite ethereal, with only one foot at most planted firmly in considerations of the here and now. There is a mystical air about you and an appreciation for musical and poetic excursions beyond the material plane. Something within you is purely idealized, and you could at times dwell in illusion, potentially confusion, or picture yourself a victim of circumstance. You have it within you to imagine other worlds and realities beyond this present one. You can feel isolated by the power of your private images until such time as you can learn to channel this gift and to ground it practicality. You are also extremely sensitive to energy and the psychic space of others, and may struggle to find self-definition independently unless and until you learn to trust your own instinctual sense of yourself that emanates from your deepest center. It is therefore vital that, as you mature, you devote effort to this task of interior exploration. One perfect outlet for your imagination might be the visual arts, music or dance. The spiritual world bursts through to this one in

these media expressions that can allow your soul to sail beyond physical boundaries while staying grounded in the performance. It is entirely possible for you to maintain a graceful connection to everyday life, especially when you can expand your viewpoint to a larger perspective than day-to-day getting and spending. You benefit when you seek within yourself a reason to make the transition to a more inclusive view of your life springing from your own deep inner vision.

Sun in weak trine with Eris

The planetary energies flow smoothly; the connection is easy and beneficial.

With Eris in aspect to your natal Sun, there is a pronounced iconoclastic streak to your nature. You are a born innovator, someone who has to go your own way, be yourself at all costs. Although you might find it a difficulty to swim against the current, surprisingly that never stops you for a minute. When the odds are against you, why those are the odds that you thrive on, and that is just the way you like it. Regarding a cause, if you are not sure why you are in it, you have trouble carrying on. Conventional ideas and run of the mill reasons for making an effort are not for you, and you will wonder why you are in the battle. You are the toughest competitor of all whenever you feel that you are totally behind a cause that you are striving for. You do not hesitate to pull out all the stops, even anger if it serves your purpose, or a glowering demeanor; whatever it takes to make sure things go your way. When you have soul-level alignment with what you are committing to is the time when you are absolutely at your best; then, literally nothing can stop you. You are therefore on a life-long mission to truly know yourself, at deep levels, so that the battles that you choose are only those that are fully worth it. When you can feel yourself to be correct in your choices, from a knowing and centered place, you are unbeatable, for you understand that your struggle is one that helps advance the cause of society itself.

Pluto in weak trine with Eris

The planetary energies flow smoothly; the connection is easy and beneficial.

With Eris in aspect to your natal Pluto, you have an intensity of intention that can take you far once you learn how best to employ it. You are a hard worker, and possess enormous reservoirs of stamina. When you are focused on an objective you will not let anything at all stand in your way. You will take whatever action seems likely to succeed, and might bend or even break the rules that society lives by - or use people around you - in order to achieve your ends. You can in this way be something of a handful, especially when aroused to anger or passion, becoming forceful to the extreme. You have within you an evolutionary call and a profound desire to take your life to the next plateau of meaning, and you may go through many changes along the way to achieving that which you unconsciously and perhaps compulsively desire. You could make many false starts and travel misdirected aims that are mere masquerade for the real truth that you seek inside. Sexual obsession is potentially one symptom of these misplaced objectives, or a dogmatic urge to be right or the craving for absolute control over social situations. You in actuality possess a drive for self-mastery and for the ultimate transformation of those traits from your past that you feel the profound need to eliminate, and which could be the result of many lifetimes. The heartfelt exploration of your interior world is vitally important for you. The inner work that is required is profound and lifelong, and will ultimately transform you. Life becomes sweeter and more meaningful top to bottom, once you have placed yourself into closer alignment with your soul direction.

Glossary

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Ascendant

The point in the sky of the Eastern horizon. In the chart, the Ascendant is represented by the horizontal line at the left hand side of the chart which crosses between the Twelfth and First Houses. The sign on the Ascendant is also referred to as the Rising Sign.

Aspects

When the relative positions of two planets in the horoscope form a significant angle with each other, they are said to be in aspect with one another. The type and quality of the aspect is determined by the number of degrees between the two planets and is only considered significant if it is within a narrow range of degrees, or orb. A list of the aspects used in this report is given below.

- Conjunction — $0^\circ \pm 8$ degrees
- Opposition — $180^\circ \pm 8$ degrees
- Trine — $120^\circ \pm 8$ degrees
- Square — $90^\circ \pm 8$ degrees

- Sextile — $60^\circ \pm 6$ degrees
- Inconjunct — $150^\circ \pm 4$ degrees

Chart Comparison

An astrological technique in which the planets of two individuals are shown in a bi-wheel chart, one within the other.

This allows the inter-aspects between the two charts to be examined.

Composite Chart

An astrological technique in which the midpoints of two individuals' planetary positions are used to create a third chart, the composite chart, which is then interpreted as the chart of the relationship itself as an independent entity.

Horoscope

Originally horoscope referred to the astrological chart itself, but is now popularly used to refer to the description of how current planetary positions are affecting you personally, as in "your monthly horoscope."

Midheaven

The point in the sky directly overhead relative to the position on Earth. In the chart, the Midheaven is represented by the vertical line at the top of the chart between the Ninth and Tenth Houses.

Natal

From Latin, meaning of or pertaining to birth; therefore your birth chart, or planetary positions at birth.

Nodes

The Lunar Nodes are the two points where the Moon's orbital path crosses the plane of the ecliptic (the plane of the Earth's orbit around the Sun). Symbolically they represent talents and life path, or destiny.

Planets

In astrology, the word planets is used to describe astrologically significant points in the sky which includes the Sun and Moon, as well as many objects that are not currently astronomically defined as planets such as Chiron and Pluto.

Transits

Aspects formed between the current positions of the planets and the positions of your natal planets at the time and place you were born.