

Curious about the year ahead? Four top New Age experts reveal their predictions. By Kris Franken

Chinese astrologer

NEIL SOMERVILLE

2014 BIG PICTURE: Within yourself are the riches of your tomorrow.

Year of the Horse

Things will move at a rapid pace with a greater sense of hope, purpose and energy in 2014. Many Australians looking to improve their lifestyle will benefit, whether by making positive changes to their diet, learning new skills, trying new forms of recreation or setting out to further their career (or interests).

Goals and money

Economically, the Horse year can bring improvement while, for the individual, Horse years encourage the pursuit of goals and making more of personal strengths. For many it will be a year offering potential and scope.

Global energy

On the world stage there could be dangerous moments as aggression adds to volatility in some regions. However, out of the turbulence, landmark agreements can be forged, with the accent this year on building and moving forward.

Home growth

The economies of many countries around the world will have 'turned the corner' in 2014, with significant growth. Australia's economy will be a major beneficiary and employment levels may also be helped by ambitious new infrastructure programs.

This is the year to... Believe in yourself.

Astrologer YASMIN BOLAND

2014 BIG PICTURE: Embrace change.

Year of transformation

Clashes between the planets Uranus and Pluto are causing a cycle of revolution and transformation for many in 2014. Change is inevitable, desirable and the only way to transform, so if old ways need to be broken down, try not to be a chicken about new beginnings.

Relationships

The emphasis in 2014 is on Libra, the sign of harmony in relationships; overall it's a chance see how well you function in them. If you have been too pushy or forceful with people around you, see what happens when you behave in a gentler manner.

Good luck

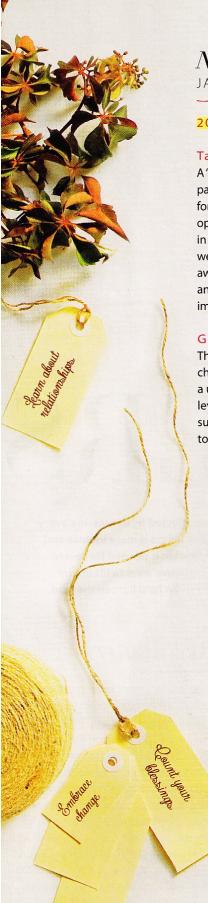
It's worth watching your stars in July because that's when Jupiter, the planet of good luck, fortune and auspiciousness. changes signs and moves to flashy and flamboyant Leo. At this time everyone is going to experience a new shot of fun.

Learning lessons

Wherever you've been having a hard time, you should reap the benefit by Christmas Eve, 2014, when Saturn moves into Sagittarius. Remember, when one door closes another door opens but if you haven't learned your lessons by this time, you may get a cosmic spanking!

This is the year to... Learn about relationships.

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Numerologist JACQUELINE MENDEZ

2014 BIG PICTURE: 2+0+1+4=7 = change & spiritual awareness.

Take the reins

A '7' year asks that we reflect on our past, look at the present, and plan for the future. It provides us with the opportunity to create changes needed in order to take our lives in the direction we wish. Seven stands for spiritual awakening, compassion, tolerance and understanding, but can also imply lies, deception and illusion.

Global change

This year will be one of tremendous change and revolution, both on a universal level and a personal level. I see people coming together, supporting and helping one another towards a common vision, based

mostly on equal rights. More people will find the strength and courage to stand up for what they believe, for human rights and the truth.

Peace at home

It's important to understand and support one another and look at creating peaceful, harmonious relationships. We must take responsibility without leaning on loved ones unnecessarily. Feelings are bound to flare up this coming year, reminding us of the need to listen to our emotions.

This is the year to... Spend time in nature.

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Psychic medium and clairvoyant

KERRIE ERWIN

2014 BIG PICTURE: Responsibility goes a long way.

The environment

The year 2014 will see more evidence of global warming and extreme conditions around the world. On a positive note, I see more and more people being conscious and aware of our environment, especially concerning waste, and windmills being installed all over Australia.

Economy and housing

The economy worldwide will slump, with an increase in interest rates and house prices here in Australia. This is a good year to tighten belts and consider the mantra 'waste not, want not'.

Care of self

To enjoy a good 2014, take time out to nurture yourself and feel blessed about the good things you already have in your life. In the long term, this will change your consciousness as it creates positive energy and a happy mind. Perhaps participate in voluntary work for people less fortunate than yourself or adopt an animal from a shelter; what you give out will always return to you big time.

This is the year to... Count your blessings. o