

STAR GAZING WITH DAVID RODRIGUEZ

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Be whatever you want to be, but reach for the stars, celestial bodies affect your life as this astrologer shows you more. Welcome Lawrence Grecco from Zen Rising to a Celestial Chat with Fashion Designer David Rodriguez whose designs are favorites of celebrities like Kirsten Dunst, Carrie Underwood, Toni Braxton, and Heidi Klum. Lawrence Grecco is an astrologer in New York City and an Associate Member of the National Council on Geocosmic Research.

LG: It looks like you have some significant changes coming up in 2007 which probably began in July of 2005 when Saturn went over your Ascendant at 0 degrees of Leo. People often move or begin something new at such a time.

DR: Yes, in July of 2005 I moved both my home and office.

LG: And in October of 2006, Saturn entered your 2nd house of finance. This will also happen in January and July of 2007, so there might be some temporary restriction on money since you may be going into a new direction with your business.

DR: We are definitely going into new directions with our business so that makes sense. The January time period is right on because we are introducing a new collection then.

LG: With a Saturn conjunction in your North Node of destiny in the independent sign of Aries, it seems that you are a person who has had to really "go at it alone" in life. It tells me that you've had to work hard and didn't have a lot handed to you. You've had to depend on yourself in a lot of ways.

DR: This is true because my company is self-financed and I still do most of the design and pattern work myself.

LG: Saturn is the most elevated planet in your chart and therefore the most prominent one for you. It is in the 9th house, which relates to travel and expansiveness. Perhaps you'll be introducing your designs to overseas markets and doing some bigger promotional projects?

DR: We recently introduced our line in Hong Kong and Japan. I also just came back from Nashville doing a dress for Carrie Underwood for the Country Music awards, which will be the biggest thing we've done from a promotional standpoint.

LG: In August 2007, Saturn will be exactly where Jupiter was where you were born. This relates to your 5th house of creativity, which means you may be changing your approach to fashion and design. You can be taking a very different direction in your work by the fall of 2007.

DR: We do have a project in the works that is going to be very unique but since it is in its early stages I can't really talk a lot about it right now. But we will be reaching out to a whole new market next fall.