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Professional Pixie: Using the Spiritual Woo-Woo in Your Business

This class focuses on 4 different modalities you can use to help you out with your spiritual business. Because if you're not walking the walk, your talk is going to be pretty empty! I've personally used all 4, so I'll give info about how and any results as well.

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Manifestation

Manifestation is really popular these days! Probably because it's so simple and effective. You don't need anything fancy to manifest what you want. Just get super focused, and you're good!

When it comes to manifesting, I usually advise that you cleanse and charge your chakras first. Clearing your chakras allows you to remove a lot of energetic sludge that might hold back your manifesting, and then charging your chakras allows you to have strong positive energy to make what you want happen. There are many ways you can cleanse and charge your chakras, so it's all up to you. You can use visualization (imagining balls of energy cleanse and then charging each chakra), you can use EFT (emotional freedom technique, a tapping therapy), you can use music or color (for each chakra), you can use crystals. There are videos on Youtube you can try that use sound for cleansing and charging your chakras (just do a search for 'chakra cleansing' and you'll find a bunch). Lots of options! And most don't cost you anything, BUT they will take some time.

If you're looking to manifest something really big, like home, car, big raise, anything big, you'll want to cleanse and charge your chakras for a longer period than if you're trying to manifest something small. For small things, you usually won't need more than a week (sometimes a lot less!). For bigger things, you may want 2-4 weeks of cleansing and charging.

Once you're all cleansed and charged, then you can focus on your affirmation. Your affirmation is what you'll say every single day to make what you want happen. You'll want to say what it is you want, but as if it's already happened, and it's a good idea to start by saying, "I'm so grateful." So if you want to manifest your first client, you can say, "I'm so

grateful I got my first astrology client so quickly and that they're awesome!"

You can be really specific if you want to be, and I'd recommend that (so like, I manifested my first \$10,000 month in business saying, "I'm so grateful I make \$10,000 every month" - but then the next month, I manifested another \$10,000, but it wasn't from my work, it was from my mother's late husband's estate - oops! Made it another way! So I altered it to, "I'm so grateful I make \$10,000 every month from my work").

There are a few techniques you can use with your affirmations that I've used. The easiest one would be the mirror technique, which is basically just saying your affirmation in the mirror (or talking to yourself positively about what you're trying to manifest; I recommend doing both). Mirrors double energy, so they reinforce whatever you say in front of them. So don't talk badly in front of a mirror! Talk to yourself very positively, and recite your affirmation daily in the mirror. An added tip - try doing it naked! (sounds strange but it opens you up more)

When you're looking in the mirror, making sure you're really looking at yourself (look in your eyes), and that you really believe in what you're saying. Say it with conviction. Envision it in your mind as you look at yourself. You know how sometimes in movies or on TV there will be a swirling fog that reveals a vision in a mirror? Think of that!

Another one you can try is the 55x5 technique. You take your affirmation (which should be one sentence), and write it down 55 times each day for 5 days. This gets you super focused on what you want, and as you're writing it, you can get clearer and clearer. Since you're writing it, your attention is solely on that. And since you're writing it over and over again, it can be a little hypnotizing!

I personally struggled with writing (carpal tunnel), so I've tried speaking it instead and found that worked pretty well too. Just say it over and over again 55 times each day for 5 days. Do it in a mirror, and double the energy!

One more tip: I've found that when I try to manifest more than one thing at a time, it doesn't work for me (like at all!). I'm guessing it splits up focus too much, and you need to be super focused on what you want to manifest. That could just be me (I am a Pisces Moon, after all), but if you've been struggling to manifest and you've been trying to do multiple things, consider just focusing on one at a time. I've had much better luck that way!

Crystals

I just love crystals. Maybe I was a pirate in a past life! I have made many amulets in my life, and love the way they can help you. Crystals store energy, so they can absorb bad energy you want to get rid of, and house positive energy you want readily available at any time.

I totally recommend having an amulet. If you don't want to deal with lots of different crystals, one go-to amulet can be your thing! It's very easy to create an amulet - cleanse it first (I bury it in sea salt for 24 hours), then charge it with positive energy by holding it in your hand and doing something positive for at least 20 minutes daily for 7 days (dance, sing, run around, watch a movie, paint, whatever!). Then pass it through the elements (fire, earth, air, water - wave it through the flame of a candle or match, stick it in some dirt outside, wave it through smoke, put it in water). And you've got an amulet!

If you just choose to have one amulet, make sure you choose a crystal you really love. You can select one based on it's metaphysical properties, if you'd like, but it should be one that you really love to look at, hold in your hand, or wear. My personal favorite amulet is a strawberry quartz ring that I have, which is supposed to be super magical, but I just love the bright color!

If you're open to lots of crystals, you can have lots of crystals for all different facets of your work. You can have crystals for clarity and focus, crystals for writing, crystals for attracting money. And on and on! I'll list some that you can try for yourself:

For clarity and focus:

Clear or smoky quartz

Selenite

Malachite

Amazonite
Fluorite

For writing:
Calligraphy script
Blue lace agate
Labradorite
Quartz
Carnelian

For general business stuff:
Cinnabar
Citrine
Pyrite
Sunstone

For attracting money/abundance:
Citrine
Pyrite
Green stones (jade, moss agate, green aventurine, etc.)

For courage and confidence
Amazonite
Ruby
Bloodstone
Carnelian
Aquamarine

For luck:
Citrine
Malachite
Pyrite

Labradorite
Green aventurine

For recognition/fame:

Sunstone,
Malachite
Yellow topaz

For stress:

Sodalite
Howlite
Amethyst
Celestite

For sleep:

Moonstone
Howlite
Hematite

For protection:

Black crystals (like black tourmaline, jet, black obsidian, black kyanite, etc.)

For intuition:

Amethyst
Lapis lazuli
Moonstone

You can keep the crystal on you (like if it's jewelry, or in your pocket), or hold it in your hand. You can keep crystals on your desk, by your mouse, in your filing cabinets, on your shelves, by your phone. Tuck a few hidden away in plants or behind pictures if you don't want anyone to see them. Place them wherever you do any work and see if it helps!

Feng Shui

Feng shui focuses on the energy of our spaces and how we can use that energy to our advantage. Certain colors, elements, and shapes go with certain areas of rooms, homes, and offices, and using them can activate positive chi in your home or office. The bagua in feng shui is essentially a map of that energy, showing how it's split up in a room or home. You place the bagua in alignment with the entrance (doesn't necessarily have to be the front door if you use a side door or garage door as your primary way of going in and out). Line the helpful people, career, and knowledge sectors up with the primary entrance:

Wealth & Abundance money prosperity Fire - Purple - Triangle	Fame & Reputation recognition future Fire - Red - Triangle	Love & Relationships love self-esteem Fire - Pink - Triangle
Family & Community family sociability Wood - Green - Square	Health & Well-Being health physical activity Earth - Yellow - Square	Children & Creativity kids creative self Metal - White - Circle
Knowledge & Wisdom learn grow Water - Blue - Waves	Career & Work career goals Water - Black - Waves	Helpful People & Travel attract people move Metal - Gray/Silver - Circle

If one of the sectors is missing in the home because it's not shaped like a square or rectangle, you can give more focus to the sector in every room in the home. In a room, you can move the bagua slightly to where

it would be a square/rectangle in the middle, and the extra space that is outside of that is extra space for the sector it's adjacent to.

The most important aspect of feng shui is space clearing. You must clear your space! If it's dusty and dirty, cluttered and cramped, this will be reflected in your life. If your office or work space or desk is a mess, that doesn't bode well for your professional life! You want to keep that area as clear, clean, and pretty as you can. At the same time, you don't want that area dark, empty, and cold either. You want to keep the area warm (not necessarily physically, but inviting to you), with evidence of life being lived in it (otherwise your professional life may be as barren as the space). A drop or two of essential oils (especially lavender) in dark and empty areas can help.

One issue you may come across is if you have a sink or bathroom in your career or wealth sectors in your home. Toilets and sinks are said to suck everything down the drain whenever they're used, so one tip you can use to slow that energy down is to tie a red ribbon around the base of the toilet or around the pipe for the sink. Red stimulates chi (energy), but it can both speed it up in areas that are stale and stagnant, and slow it down in areas that have too much going on. If you go crystal happy, you can also use red crystals.

Bathrooms are full of pipes for the shower/tub, toilet, and sink, and these go down into the earth. This is a lot of downward motion, so another thing that can help is pictures of something in the air (I've used pictures of vintage hot air balloons; you can also use airplanes, birds, butterflies, etc.). This helps elevate the energy so everything isn't getting sucked downward.

I also recommend having something of the earth in your bathroom, whether it's earth colors (green or brown), or pictures (of plants, the forest, or flowers). This is because there's a lot of water energy in

bathrooms, and water energy nourishes and feeds the earth. This is turn "nourishes and feeds" your life, allowing you to "grow" whatever you need, whenever you need it.

The flipside of this can be if there is a fireplace or the kitchen in your wealth or career sectors. This can "burn" your professional life! Now, fire isn't too bad, especially for the wealth area (which is fire), but you don't want to overdo it. If it seems like money or your career is "burning" in a bad way, try bringing in some water energy to tame the fire. Water colors (black and blue), water images (pictures of the ocean, a lake, river, stream, underwater), or water objects (a fountain, seashells, a fish tank) can be helpful. But do try to balance the water and fire because if you use too much water, then the fire can get put the fire out, and you don't want it out completely!

You can use the bagua not only on your home and office/workspace, you can even use it on your desk! Bring in colors and objects that go with each sector, and especially focus on the money sector (good area for a lamp or money tree!).

Astrology

And of course, astrology! You can use astrology to plan when you're going to do certain things in your business, like start your website/blog, get on social media, do a group reading, partner up with someone - anything!

If you're an astrologer/astrology student, you should already be familiar with the points that come into play for your professional life. They are:

- 10th house/Midheaven & Saturn: general ruler of your career
- 6th house & Mercury: ruler of work
- 2nd house & Venus: ruler of money

These are, of course, just the basic rulers for your professional life. You can use the other positions depending on what you're focusing on specifically:

1st house/Mars: anything you're starting new with, anything you need to take initiative with

3rd house/Mercury: anything you need to learn, write, talk about, important conversations, any work in your immediate environment

4th house/Moon: anything you're starting from the bottom with, working on the foundation of anything

5th house/Sun: anything you'll be getting attention for, anything creative

7th house/Venus: anything dealing with others or working with a partner

8th house/Pluto: anything involving other people's money (business partnerships and mutually beneficial projects and ventures, loans and investments)

9th house/Jupiter: anything where you're expanding, involving travel, teaching, or speaking

11th house/Uranus: anything involving friends or where you're dealing with groups, changes being made (11th house and Uranus also generally

rule astrology, along with asteroid Urania, so anything with your astrology work)

12th house/Neptune: anything you need to finish/end, involving the past, having to help others (12th house and Neptune also generally rule spirituality so can be involved in any spiritual, mystical work)

Transits can be used to improve your timing on any of it. I usually try to choose days for launches that correspond to positive transit aspects (especially to the 2nd house - making money; and 10th house - focusing on career moves). Positive aspects are sextiles and trines (conjunctions depending on the planet), and I usually avoid void-of-course Moon periods (even a few hours before, I find energy is readying to slow and people are much slower to respond to anything).

I don't care so much about the sign the Moon is in for my own timing, just the void-of-course periods (though I do have a preference for when the Moon is in my 2nd or 10th houses, but I won't specifically focus on those times). If I see a really good period in a month for 2nd or 10th house aspects, I'll usually plan for something around then.

I generally avoid Mercury retrogrades for anything new, and instead will do re-launches for things I've done before or offers I've offered before (redos). Venus and Mars retrogrades are harder to avoid since they're longer (particularly Mars), so I tread lightly with them (unless they're making really good aspects to my chart; I did have a Mars retrograde that began conjunct my 2nd house ruler Jupiter, and hot dog I made a good amount of money that retrograde!).

I do always consult my aspects to see what they're doing when I'm going to launch or offer something. One thing I don't do though is factor in the exact time (to draw up an electional chart). I find I need to start launches/offers around when the newsletter is sent (11AM ET), so I can't really move away from that for a better start time. People are used to

my emails showing up at that time, so if you get in a rhythm with timing, you'll likely want to stick with that.

When you're undergoing hard aspects (conjunctions, squares, oppositions) from the big planets (Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto) to the 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers, these are times when you have to buckle down and be super mindful of your decisions and actions with your work. Even then, it can be rough! I just went through it in 2018 with transit Saturn square my 10th house ruler/Sun (and 11th house ruler/Mercury) much of the year. Grind it out, do what the planet wants you to do, and keep moving forward (even if it's a centimeter at a time!).

These are a few newsletter articles that can be helpful for different scenarios in your work:

Beginnings and Astrology

With the start of a new year, we all think about the things we hope to do with a new year. We look back on what we didn't do, and we think about how we can make this new year better. Astrologically, beginnings are associated with the Sun, 1st house, and new moons. When you have a planet positively aspecting your 1st house cusp, ruler, or Sun, this is a time for you to begin something, where the conditions are in your favor and you're in the mood for it. Harsh aspects to your 1st house cusp, ruler, or Sun are times where you can encounter many obstacles and delays when you try something new, or you aren't comfortable with beginning anything.

When a planet is transiting your 1st house, this can help or hinder. Saturn in the 1st house is traditionally a difficult time for new beginnings, and you're required to put in much more work; Neptune in the 1st house will make it hard for you to make up your mind and see everything you need to see, but is good for creative or spiritual ventures; Pluto in the 1st

house can make you obsessed with the ventures you begin; Uranus in the 1st house makes you begin unexpectedly, pursue ventures that are unusual or different from usual, and you don't think too much before you jump; and Jupiter in the 1st house makes new beginnings easier for you, presents opportunities to begin something to you, and things go in your favor.

The faster planets give you a surge of energy when in your 1st house or making aspects, especially Mars. Mars in your 1st house or aspecting the cusp, ruler, or Sun makes you want to begin something NOW. The urgency you feel makes it hard for you to ignore the energy.

A new moon in the 1st house is great for new beginnings in general; if you want to do something specifically, a new moon in the house ruling it is a good time, especially if that new moon also makes positive aspects to your planets.

The worst time to start something new is usually during a retrograde, especially in your 1st house, or in the house associated with what you want to begin. You'll usually find that you can't follow through, or have to go back to the drawing board. Unless, of course, you were born with that planet retrograde - then it might be the best time for you to begin!

When to Change Direction

There are times when we feel we need to change the direction we're heading in, and we know we want to, but aren't sure if it's the right time. Astrologically, Uranus is the planet of change, and Saturn rules your direction, so if you have a linkage between them (transit Uranus to natal Saturn or transit Saturn to natal Uranus), this can be the best time for a change of direction. Saturn naturally rules the 10th house while Uranus naturally rules the 11th house, so you can also have a good time for it when transit Saturn aspects your 11th house cusp or ruler, or transit

Uranus aspects your 10th house cusp or ruler. Hard aspects (squares, oppositions) can be difficult, but even those can be worked in your favor, and actually, if you're really making a huge change or unsticking yourself from a rut, a hard aspect can be much better for you.

Retrogrades have a tendency to make us want to change our direction when they impact our Saturn, Uranus, 10th house, or 11th house, but they aren't usually the best times to actually do that because what comes during a retrograde will often leave once the retrograde is over. Mercury and Mars retrogrades can stimulate this need for a change in direction most, but it's something you shouldn't rush into with these two, no matter how much you want to.

Mars going through your 10th and 11th houses in normal forward motion can also be a good time to focus on your direction and make a change. As the planet of energy and drive, being in this house brings you energy and drive to make your direction a priority.

When to Write a Book

Many people dream of being writers, but when is a good time to actually do it? Astrologically, writing is ruled by Mercury, Gemini, and the 3rd house. It can be helpful to write with the transit (moving) Sun, Mercury, Venus or Mars in your 3rd house. The Sun, Mercury, and Venus are in this house for about one month once per year, giving you a solid writing period. Mars is in the 3rd house for about two months every two years, and you can get a surge in energy and drive for writing.

Jupiter is in the 3rd house for one year every 10-12 years, and can give you a prolonged period of opportunity to write. Saturn in the 3rd house might make it take longer or zap your inspiration, but it can be good if you've been working on a writing project for a long time and doing right by it. Uranus can make inspiration come and go in spurts; Neptune can

be good for imagination but requires more discipline; and Pluto brings a serious attitude about it. The Moon is in your 3rd house for 2-3 days each month and can give you a more emotional connection to your writing.

A progressed planet entering Gemini, your natal or progressed 3rd house, or conjunct, sextile, or trine your natal or progressed Mercury, natal or progressed 3rd house cusp, or natal or progressed 3rd house ruler can also bring excellent periods for writing, and it might be a reflection of where you are at the moment.

A new moon in the 3rd house or conjunct Mercury can be good for starting a writing venture, while a full moon in the 3rd house or conjunct Mercury can be good for finishing. Sextiles and trines to your 3rd house ruler and cusp can also be excellent, as well as to your natal Mercury.

You can also see all of these aspects with your Jupiter, 9th house, or Sagittarius since these rule publishing, so writing under a Jupiter/9th house/Sagittarius aspect can be for the purpose of getting published at some point, or can show getting your writing out there.

When to Start a New Business

With a new year now underway, some of you may be thinking about starting a new business in 2017. Anything to do with your career and professional life falls under the rulership of the 10th house and Saturn, so if you want to do this, you'll want to do it under aspects to your 10th house cusp, 10th house ruler, or natal Saturn. If it's something you want to be into for the long haul, sextiles and trines by Saturn can be beneficial; if it's something that is a complete and total change from what you're currently doing, Uranus aspects can be beneficial, and that can include the hard aspects, though you'll want to make sure you're not just making changes for the sake of making changes; sextiles and

trines by Pluto can help you to gain more power and control over what you're doing. You can also focus on the planet that rules whatever it is the business will be, and see positive aspects to the natal planet, progressed planet, or by the transit planet.

It's helpful to also see positive aspects to the 6th house cusp, ruler, or Mercury, since they are the rulers of your work life and work environment. Difficult aspects may show you have a hard time adjusting to the new workload or work responsibilities or work schedule. Positive aspects help to smooth over the transition and make you focused on the nitty-gritty and small details that inevitably have to be dealt with when you're starting a business.

The 2nd house is the house of money, so if you see positive aspects going on, this can show that you'll be profitable (or at least not lose too much), while hard aspects can show that it'll take longer for you to make it profitable. If you want to involve a business partner, or will need to take out loans or get investors, then you'll want to focus on the 8th house and Pluto.

When to Hire Employees

Employees are ruled by the 6th house and Mercury, so if you're looking to hire employees, looking for transit Sun, Mercury, Venus, or Mars in the 6th house, or sextiles and trines to the 6th house cusp or ruler or Mercury by a transit planet. With the Moon, you can take the few days the Moon is in your 6th house each month and use that to hire someone. With the slower-moving planets, you can get good energy for hiring for a year with Jupiter. With Uranus, you may need someone different in some way, or who helps you via technology. With Pluto, you may need to be careful of struggling to get them to follow your orders. Saturn and Neptune can make it hardest in the 6th house, and you may have a hard

time finding anyone qualified, truly helpful, or who doesn't need you to hold their hand.

A new moon in the 6th house can also be helpful, and you can be energized and enthusiastic about finding someone who will be a good employee. Progressed planets sextile or trine your natal or progressed 6th house ruler, cusp, or Mercury can also bring helpful energy, and the progressed Moon in the natal or progressed 6th house might make you feel like you need to hire someone for support.

When to Focus

There are times when we need to focus on whatever it is we're doing, and we need to focus well. This is when positive transit aspects to your natal Saturn, ruler of discipline, can be helpful. When you have a transit planet sextile or trine your natal Saturn, you get a dose of disciplined energy, and you can focus on whatever you need to. When it's mental discipline you need, look for sextiles and trines between transit Mercury and your natal Saturn, or transit Saturn and your natal Mercury. These are often the times when you have the greatest focus. You can also experience mental focus with transit Mercury in the natal 10th house (naturally ruled by Saturn), or transit Saturn in the natal 3rd house (naturally ruled by Mercury), as well as with progressed Mercury conjunct, sextile, or trine your natal Saturn or in the progressed or natal 10th house.

When you need unrelenting focus, the kind of focus that lets you get to the core and unravel everything, look for hookups between Saturn and Pluto. Pluto is unrelenting obsessive energy, and Saturn helps to control that.

When you want emotional focus, look for sextiles and trines between Saturn and your natal Moon. This can give you a better ability to control

your emotions. You can also have this with transit Moon in the natal 10th house, which happens for 2-3 days every month, as well as with the progressed Moon conjunct, sextile, or trine your natal Saturn, or in the natal or progressed 10th house.

The house transit Saturn is travelling through gets some of that disciplined energy, so you can focus better on the areas of life ruled by the house Saturn is in.

How Mercury Retrograde Impacts You Professionally

Mercury retrograde officially kicked off yesterday! So we're now fully into this retrograde + eclipse season for the month of July. We know that this means things can go a little bit wonky, especially if we're not paying enough attention or being mindful. What helps with that are the Mercury retrograde re-'s: redo, revise, revisit, replenish, rethink, refocus.

Professionally, it can be easy to have hiccups (or total collapses!) during Mercury retrograde. This tends to happen if there was a detail or two (or ten) missed, and Mercury comes around the show you. This is far more likely if the retrograde is occurring in your natal 2nd house (of money), 6th house (of work), 10th house (of career), or making a hard aspect (conjunct, square, opposition) to your 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers. Then you really want to stay on your toes and make sure you're dotting all of your i's and crossing all of your t's!

But Mercury is the natural ruler of the 6th house, the house of work, so there can be an impact for all of us on our work lives to some degree (and if you don't have a job, know that Mercury doesn't differentiate between the job that pays the bills and the job of taking care of the home/family - Mercury counts that as your job!).

Since Mercury likes to bring things back, this can be a time to reconnect with people you worked with. Old bosses, co-workers, or employees may pop back into your life for one reason or another. Might be pleasant if you've got positive aspects going on; might be annoying or cause an issue if you've got hard aspects going on.

Mercury retrograde is a great time for revisions, so it's a good period to go back through work you've done before, old projects or ideas, plans that maybe never were followed, and pick that back up again. You could make some magic with it now thanks to Mercury!

Changing Professions With Uranus in Taurus

With Uranus being the planet of change and Taurus being the sign of money, a lot of people (A LOT!) will be changing the way they make money. For many, this means a change in profession. If Uranus in Taurus will tour your 2nd house (money), 6th house (work), or 10th house (career), it's almost a guarantee that some sort of professional change will occur. Even if you stay in the same career or job, aspects of it will likely change that may impact your finances.

If the work you do or the work you want to do is governed by a house Uranus will tour in your chart, this can also indicate changes with your existing work (if it's something you're doing), or you may pursue opportunities to do the work you want to do (if you're not yet). Uranus rules the future and what we hope and dream for it. So go for it!

You can also feel this with Uranus aspecting your 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusp or ruler, or your natal Saturn, ruler of career. Sextiles and trines can show an easier transition for you, though you don't want to be lazy about it. Take control of the good energy. Squares and oppositions can show change that you absolutely have to have, but may not be able to in the way that you want (requiring flexibility), or outside forces may

get in the way (requiring creativity). They're excellent for getting unstuck, so if you've felt stuck in your work, you can get yourself out (finally!). And conjunctions, you have to have the change, and you have to have it now, and you have to have it your way - so do it, but don't be too impulsive about it.

Uranus making a conjunction, square, or opposition to your natal Sun, Moon, Mars, or 1st house cusp can stimulate a strong desire for change in virtually any area of your life, and this often rolls into your work life, so this can also be a time to focus on it (just again be smart and flexible).