

2012 Speakers Announced

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For The Astrological Lodge of London (ALL) – APAE Track

Sonal Sachdeva is a film-maker and an astrologer. She has studied under Liz Greene at the CPA and is currently the Assistant Vice President at The Astrological Lodge of London. In 2010 she founded a group in London called The Circle of Divine Astrology, which holds events, discussions, talks and multimedia projects. Her films deal with social issues, the environment and the way in which people from different cultures live, think and feel. Astrology has helped her to develop an in-depth understanding of people, places and history, and, above all else, the psychology of the self.



Adam Smith is a London-based astrologer, writer and former Editor of the 'Astrological Journal'. A Comparative Religions graduate, his approach combines modern Western astrology with a lifelong interest in yoga practice and philosophy. Adam is the present astrologer for the 'Sydney Sun Herald' in Australia, and his work has featured in BBC magazines, 'The Daily Mail' and 'The Times Educational Supplement'. His book, 'Saturn, Fatal Attraction' (O Books, 2007) was inspired by years of experience reading for private clients.



Komilla Sutton is the co-founder and Chair of the British Association for Vedic Astrology, and an internationally renowned consultant, teacher and lecturer. She is on the faculty of The American College of Vedic Astrology, and a regular speaker at international conferences – both Western and Vedic. Her Academy for Vedic Sciences teaches a four-year intensive programme via Webinar and classes in the UK, US and India. Komilla is one of the pioneers who has made Vedic astrology more accessible to Western readers. She has authored 'Personal Panchanga', 'The Essentials of Vedic Astrology', 'Lunar Nodes – Crisis and Redemption', 'Vedic Love Signs' and 'Vedic Astrology'.



Carole Taylor DFAstrolS is President of the Faculty of Astrological Studies and a tutor on its distance learning programme and London classes. Joining the Faculty in 2000, she was Head of London Classes and organiser of the annual Summer School in Oxford until 2008. She is currently Director of Studies, responsible for the development of the Faculty's programme of courses. Carole works full time as a professional astrologer, maintaining an astrological practice at her home in West Sussex.



Sue Tompkins is a registered homoeopath with training in psychology and counselling. Sue's interest in astrology spans over 40 years. Since gaining her FAS Diploma in 1982, she has seen thousands of clients and taught countless students. In 2000 she co-founded The London School of Astrology, where she continues to teach. She also runs annual LSA residential courses in Glastonbury. Sue lectures around the globe, has been the recipient of various awards (including the AA's Charles Harvey Award in 2003), but is best known for her books 'Aspects in Astrology' and 'The Contemporary Astrologer's Handbook'. Sue is currently researching medical astrology and working on new titles.



Linea Van Horn is a certified astrologer through NCGR-PAA. She has been a professional, full-time astrologer since 1998. She is the founder and President of the thriving San Francisco Astrological Society, and has served on NCGR Boards, both local and national. Linea was employed as the Manager of Astrological Information at www.astrology.com from 1998 to 2005, and as the Content Manager for The Astrologer, Inc. from 2005 to 2009. Linea currently devotes herself full time to teaching, writing, consulting, networking and blogging in San Francisco. She can be reached at linea@astrologeratlge.com, and her website is at www.astrologeratlge.com

Join us this September at the beautiful Wyboston Lakes.

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Wikipedia editor classifies Jimmy England as a "Fringe" authority

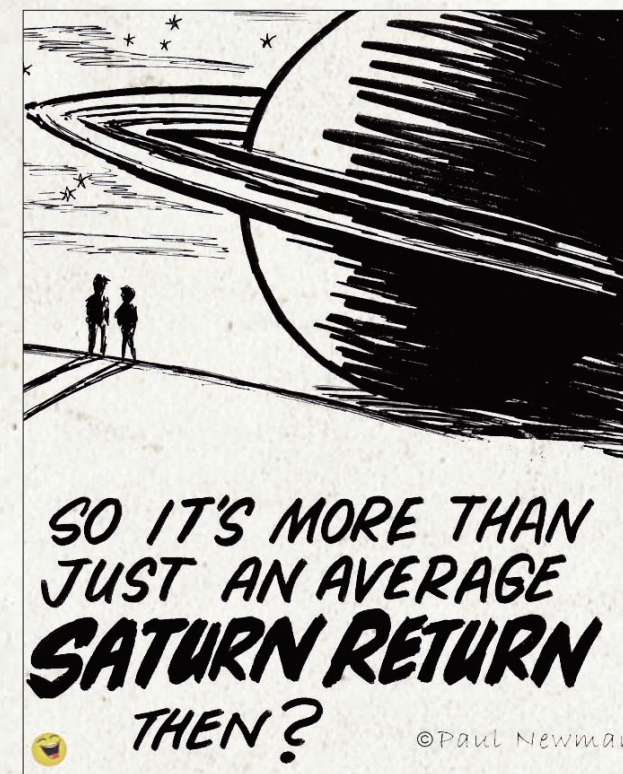
Sources say that any information on England will not be accessible for public knowledge.

Harpers Fitness Centre at Wyboston Lakes is a fantastic, friendly place to unwind after a hard day's work and is more than just a fitness centre; the wet area will also give you a chance to relax and chill-out.

- Swim: Indoor Pool
- Relax: Sauna
- Rejuvenate: Steam Room
- Unwind: Jacuzzi

Also offered Ample free parking, 18 hole golf course, Beauty Salon, Indoor Pool, Bar & Restaurant.

For further information visit them at www.wybostonlakes.co.uk



Your Stars: Plenty of 'Scope and Enough Rope...

by Saturn Rising (in Every House)
Frank Clifford

Well, we never did quite make it to the Age of Aquarius. Let's blame the void of coarse loons who predicted it – knowing full well such a day would never come. But it's too late now. Hope never arrived. Salvation stayed indoors. It's the end of the world and we all need to keep it real – even the starchy navel-gazers among us. So, as a final farewell, here are some home truths served up by sober Saturn – with an extra helping of Mercury-Pluto – to ensure that none of us leaves the table fully-fed on self-satisfaction.

Aries: Your two talents: looking out for number one and stepping in number two.

Taurus: You're rock-like and granite-faced, but is your admirable firmness simply detestable stubbornness?

Gemini: Never worry about the future – everyone knows you always land on someone else's feet.

Cancer: Your life's menu consists of much food and even more whine.

Leo: One philosophical question gives rise to your greatest fear: what's the sound of no hands clapping?

Virgo: You're like a critic who knows the way but can't drive the car.

Libra: There are two things people don't like about you: your face.

Scorpio: As far as sex is concerned, most people need a reason. You need a location.

Sagittarius: The truth may be hard to swallow, but you were born with a silver foot in your mouth.

Capricorn: Experience is a comb life gave you after you lost your hair. Now use it to brush up your skills.

Aquarius: Yeah, you love humanity, but we all know the truth: it's people you can't stand.

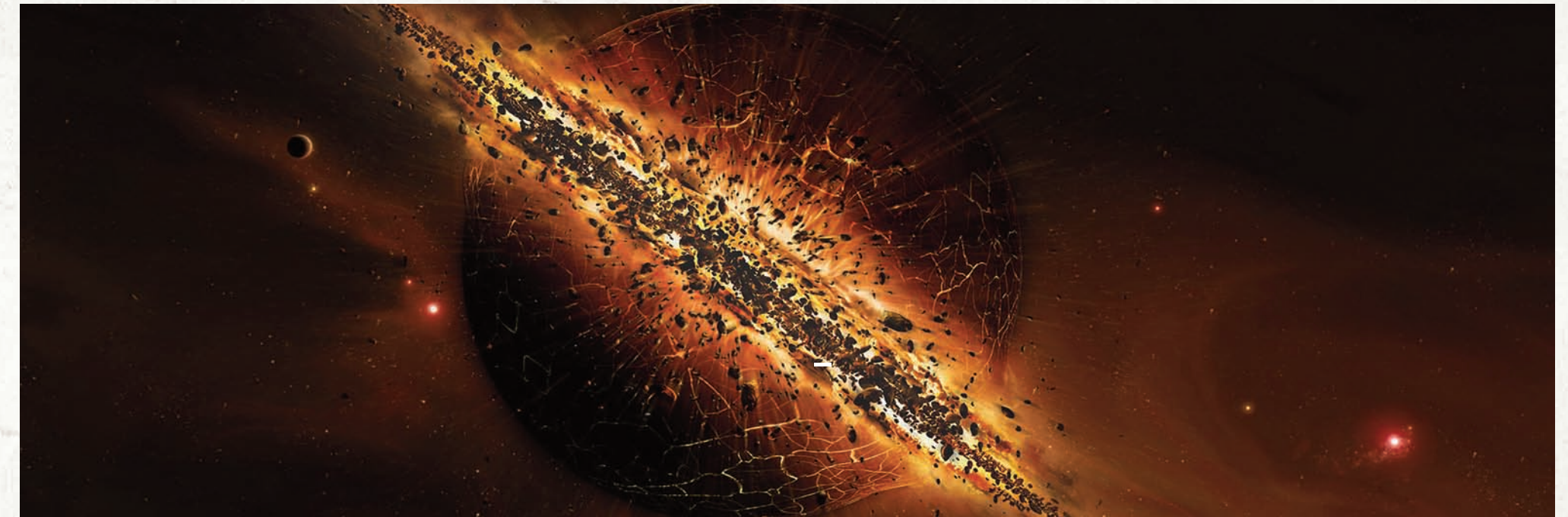
Pisces: Let's face it, you're so vague, you've got no idea this song is about you.

Astrological Association of Great Britain

44th Annual Conference

Surviving 2012

7th – 9th September 2012



Astrophysicists predict the end of the planet... just not sure which one.

FRIDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

Masterclasses confirmed

14.00 – 16.30 Choose between...

Aspects in Medical Astrology

Sue Tompkins

Thankfully, most aspects in our natal charts and by transit/direction do not manifest in physical terms. But sometimes they do. In this masterclass, Sue will share her observations on the significators behind many disorders, focusing particularly, but not exclusively, on the astrological aspects. Included in the class will be a general 'crash course' in medical astrology.

Timing is Revealed with Lunar Phases and Their Moon Families

Dietrech Pessin

The Lunar Gestation Cycle is a powerful predictive tool that links four sequential, nine-month Moon phases to form a 'Moon Family'. In this masterclass, Dietrech will show how to evaluate each of a Moon Family's four phases, which are revealed over a 2 1/4 year period, and predict the time of a pivotal, related story or event.

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Programme subject to change

17.15 Conference Opening

17.30 Opening Plenary

Speaking Your Chart: The Essence of a Planetary Placement

Opening Plenary
Frank Clifford

When clients, friends and public figures 'speak their charts', we astrologers collect gems that inform our practice and help us expand and fine-tune our astrological vocabulary. In this opening plenary, Frank will present a series of real-life observations and entertaining quotations that get to the very heart of astrological concepts.

19.00 Carter Memorial Lecture

Sticky Back Plastic and Bits of String: Knitting Your Own Astrologer

Carter Memorial Lecture
Kim Farnell

If astrology is A Bad Thing, it stands to reason that astrologers are as well. For centuries, we've been seen as con artists – and yet, we survive. What would make the perfect astrologer post-2012? Knitting will be included in this talk.



Humpty Dumpty puts the atom back together again.
"At last life feels complete" rejoices lovable nursery rhyme hero.

EXTRA, EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT

Gillett, Green and Stacey tell us what other papers are saying



Anti-global warming lobby seek quantitative easing survival deal with Pope. *Financial Times*

We told you so! *Mayan Chronicle*

How will the extinction of all life as we know it affect the way we view the cosmos? *New Scientist*

It's the sun wot dun it. *The Sun*

Apocalypse causes house prices crash. *Daily Mail*

Space Travel Inevitable *Nasa News*

Lose up to 20 stone instantly with our new "armageddon" diet! *Fitness Magazine*

If you didn't experience the end of the world, download software patch eotw777.exe. *Computing Magazine*

Trillions down the hole as Large Hadron Collider accelerates its own disappearance. *The Economist*

Prices for acreage on the Moon skyrocket! *The Horse and Hound*

Reductionist researchers prove animate life is redundant. *Nature and Science*

Cheryl cole's cosy home coffin. *OK Magazine*

Brand new show – come die with me. *Channel 4*

Partical God discovers B Cox. *Archaeology final issue*

SUNDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

09.00 – 10.00 Choose between...

Forecasting: The Power of Symmetrical Astrology

Madalyn Hillis-Dineen

Whether you want to determine the general trends for a year or focus on daily transits, the tools of Symmetrical Astrology will add a powerful component to your astrological work. These include solar arcs, solstice charts, graphic ephemerides, and the Progressed Meridian of the Year and Day.

The Trans-Saturnians and the American Dream

Maggie Hyde

From the era of America's formation with the Uranian Declaration of Independence to the boundless and imperialist vision of Neptune, and to the 1930s devastation wrought by Pluto, we will look at how the American Dream unfolded with the outer planets. How far can it be sustained during the current Uranus-Pluto square?

The Galactic Embrace: 2012 and You

Linea Van Horn

Clarify popular misconceptions about 2012 by learning the visible astronomical event that defines our era. The precession cycle provides the clue to the significant alignment now peaking; an event foreseen by Mayans who calibrated their calendar to it. Included in this inspiring, image-rich presentation are suggestions to help you thrive.

Resolving the Mystery of Lost Objects

Tienka Atema

Before asking a question about a lost object, we should, of course, search for it. We only get clear charts when there is a really deep need to know. These charts often resonate with the birth chart of the querent, and the moment of the recovery can show an amazing connection to the horary chart or birth chart. In this lecture we will look at some traditional techniques used by Lilly and explore charts of missing articles: where is it, how was it lost, and... will we get it back?

10.15 – 11.15 Choose between...

Have We Got it All Backwards?

Bernard Eccles

If you watch the planets in the night skies over a few months, they appear to move in the opposite direction to the one you might expect. Yet, far from giving us confusing messages, these 'new' planetary cycles seem to make much more sense – and you'll never think of retrogression or opposition in quite the same way again.

The Future of America

Adrian Ross Duncan

Will Obama get re-elected and will the USA be governable? The answers are yes and no. America is at a turning point militarily, socially and politically. This talk explores how to survive the next presidential period. Fortunately the agenda is not just being set by Uranus square Pluto...

Twin Transits of Venus

Komilla Sutton

Venus transits in front of the Sun twice in succession eight years apart and then it does not make the same transit again for a hundred years. They show a pattern of recurrence at intervals of 8, 121.5, 8 and 105.5 years. June 2005 and June 2012 are when these transits took place in this century. Komilla will give a Vedic view of their significance for 2012.

Apocalypse Now?

Melanie Reinhart

The two main 'signatures' of these times – the Uranus-Pluto square and the Chiron-Neptune conjunction – offer a powerful polarity, clearly portrayed on the 'world stage'. But what about you and me? Where are we located, as individuals, in the unfolding drama? Melanie explores the interface between the personal and collective.



11.30 – 12.30 Choose between...

Planets in Exile and Fall and the Soul's Journey

Lynn Bell

Planets in exile and fall are moving against their own nature, which means they often describe unusual lifepaths, e.g. Saturn in Leo struggles with the light, while Mars in Cancer moves away from its strengths. How do planets in traditionally 'difficult' signs describe a particular twist in the soul's journey?

Left Brain, Right Brain and How Astrology Works

Geoffrey Cornelius

Which part of your brain do YOU use when you look at horoscopes? Do astrologers differ, and what difference does it make? Studies of brain hemisphere function are a leading edge of neuroscience. They also give us a metaphor of mind that illuminates the process of astrological interpretation.

From Prague Spring to Arab Spring 2012-15 – the 60s Manifest

Chrissy Ogilvie

The Uranus-Pluto square will be exact seven times between 2012 and 2015. It will be bringing into manifestation trends that began in the 1960s. After a review of the meaning of cycles, a selection of key themes of the 60s, illustrated by music from the era, will be explored in current news headlines.

Heads and Tails: The Bipolar Temperament

Catriona Mundle

Manic depression and cyclothymia present a complex picture. As astrologers rather than psychiatrists, we can understand bipolarity as temperament rather than psychosis, and be alerted to the potential of what this entails. Configurations involving the lunar nodes are often strongly indicative. The connection between bipolarity and creativity is explored in this talk.

A message from Chair, Wendy Stacey

On behalf of the AA Council, you are invited to come and join us at our 44th Conference. The programme is packed with lectures that will provide a wealth of knowledge by a team of leading astrologers.

Whether you are a first timer or a regular conference attendee, there is something for everybody, from hobbyists, to students to professionals. Come and be a part of the UK's largest educational and social astrological event of the year. It is 2012 so be quick!

Join us for a spot of early morning yoga.

Saturday and Sunday mornings at 7.30 in training room 5. All levels welcome.

13.30 – 14.30 Choose between...

Astrology and Global Culture

Nick Campion

Nick will look at some of his conclusions about the nature of astrology and what astrologers think, based on his recent research. Are different astrologies distinguished by their differences or their similarities? And what do modern astrologers think anyway? Do they regard astrology as a set of rules or a series of guidelines? And is this significant?

Healing with Astrology

Adam Smith

The tradition of using gemstones, mantras and talismans has faded from use in modern Western astrology. Yet without effective remedial measures, can our astrology handle the implications of what it predicts? In this talk, we'll be looking at whether esoteric methods of healing remain relevant today.

Neptune in Pisces – Waving not Drowning?

John Green

As Neptune enters Pisces, what glimmers, deceptions and fantasies can we expect? We will explore what may happen on both a mundane and a personal level as Neptune transits this sign, and see how we can avoid the pitfalls and achieve a more healthy expression of our true inner selves.

The Chart as a Third Member of the Astrological Encounter

Lindsay Radermacher

The encounter between astrologer-client and astrologer-cosmos is not just a one-to-one experience, since the chart itself plays a vital role. We shall look at how the chart can become a third, 'living' member of the encounter, and how its symbolism provides a space for meeting between all three participants.

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14.45 – 15.45 Choose between...

2012? You Might as Well be Yourself

Faye Cossar

Time to put 'the real you' out there before it's too late. What's your vocation and mission in life? What services should you offer? What colour website fits you? Faye addresses these in her book on vocational profiling, and in this lecture she will use case examples to illustrate her ideas.

Models of Freedom and Determinism in Traditional Astrology

Ben Dykes

In this talk, we will venture beyond the general 'freedom, fate, or both?' discussions of determinism in astrology, and also review some traditional discussions by philosophers and theologians who developed theories of determinism and free will. Attendees will learn to discuss the interplay between ethics, determinism, freedom and astrology in a more sophisticated way.

The Identity, Heart and Spirit of 2012

Laura Boomer-Trent

According to esoteric astrology, the Sun has three distinct functions: physical, heart, and spiritual. Its aim is to integrate all three into wholeness and consciousness and radiate the light of intelligence. In this talk we determine at which level the 2012 Sun is operating, within individual and event horoscopes, and discover the point of synthesis.

Public Image of Astrology

Robert Currey

'Astrology has been demoted from high culture to low/pop culture and modern astrological sources are works of fiction,' a quote from an arbitrator on Wikipedia. Why has astrology got such a negative image in the media and in scientific groupthink? Should it concern us? What can we do about it?

16.00 – 16.45 Plenary

The Astrology of Comedy

Carole Taylor

Humour is a powerful tool for coping with even the most challenging circumstances. Best of all in the current times, humour is energising, uplifting and completely free! This talk will explore the astrological signatures for humour, using the charts of famous comedians and entertainers. Surviving 2012? No worries.



Exhibition Area and Bookshop

The Exhibition Area features astrological goods and software, as well as representatives from schools and organisations around the country providing information and advice about the services they offer.

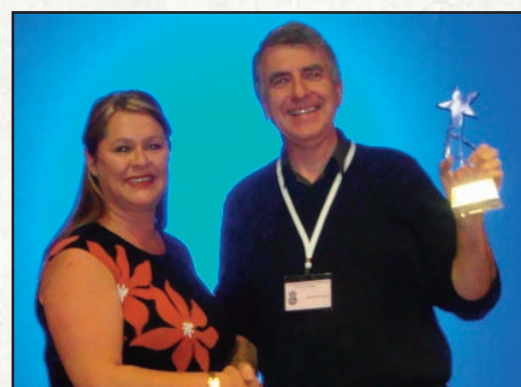
We understand these are difficult times – but we are proud to say we have not increased our conference price for the past 6 years!!!!

Conference 2011

Astrology in the Real World

An atmosphere of positive excitement, enjoyment and the exchange of high quality astrological information was a constant presence at this year's Conference. Attendance at sessions was high and personal meetings and interactions in the breaks between them friendly and rewarding.

'I thought the conference was brilliant – I was really impressed! It's also amazing to have such a friendly atmosphere at such a prestigious and high quality event.'



Bernard Eccles was the highly popular recipient of the Charles Harvey Award for Exceptional Service to Astrology.

In her Carter Memorial Lecture, Wendy Stacey's study of the Uranus/Pluto conjunction generation was broad, informative and full of valuable insights for today.

'I thought the range of topics and choice of talks was excellent, and I thoroughly enjoyed all the ones I listened to. I thought the facilities at the centre were great and the food very good indeed, especially the veggie option which was a pleasure to eat (not always the case when you go to events of this kind).'

