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Demian Allan  
Why Use the Whole Sign House System?  
This talk will focus on the philosophy of the Whole Sign house system in a contemporary way and include chart examples.

Jodey Collorick  
The Daemons and their Technicolor Dreamcoats  
Within the Platonic cosmos, the Daemons are mediators between gods and humans by giving inspiration, dreams, oracles and omens. Can we also include astrology as a mouthpiece for the Daemons?

Angela Cornish  
A Traditional Approach to Missing Persons  
The subject of missing persons is always emotive. Using the chart for the moment of disappearance, Angela will explore traditional rules and aphorisms to determine whether the absent party is dead or alive and whether astrology can help in a practical way to discover the fate of the person involved.

Faye Blake-Cossar  
Off with the Bad, On with the Good  
The new science of epigenetics has disproved the ‘born with bad genes’ theory and shown the vital importance of environment in switching genes on and off. Faye will show how your Ceres placement can identify an optimal environment for maintaining health.

Faye Blake-Cossar  
Decent Exposure  
Whether you run a business, are building a practice or yearn to find a job that suits you, good promotion is vital. Faye will demonstrate how astrology can provide inspiration for defining products, describing services, and creating powerful social media profiles, CVs and websites.

Mark Cullen  
Magicians, Witches and Seers  
We will be examining the charts of several famous occultists, witches and seers. What insights does astrology offer into such intriguing figures? Can we detect any astrological signatures for such pursuits in the birth chart?

Mark Cullen  
The Perennial Scottish Question  
Many thought the referendum of 2014 had settled the issue of Scottish independence for a generation. But, following the Brexit vote of 2016, Nicola Sturgeon and the SNP have raised the issue again and called for another referendum. Astrologically, can the United Kingdom survive this renewed challenge?

Barbara Dunn  
Textbooks, Practice-Books and Almanacs: Astrology and the ‘Prognostical Part of Physick’ in Early Modern England  
Engaging with a variety of figures (charts), Barbara examines astrological-medical diagnosis, prognosis and treatment in early modern England. A variety of methodologies are explored, including those of Simon Forman, Richard Napier, William Lilly and Joseph Blagrave.

Jean Elliot  
The Lunation Cycle: What Does the Phase of the Moon at Birth Mean in Our Lives?  
Jean will outline the astronomy and astrological interpretations of the lunar phases, and she hopes to encourage the audience to truly feel the connection between the Moon in the sky and our internal experience of it.

Hedley England  
The Disappearance of MAH370  
The disappearance of the Malaysia Airlines flight, with 227 passengers, has baffled everyone. But what does astrology tell us about it? Hedley will examine the history of the airline from its origins in 1947, the aircraft in question, and similar related events to offer insight into this mystery.

Anna Estaroth  
Venus: Dual Aspect Goddess – Morning and Evening Star  
Many people focus on the nicer, socially-acceptable aspects of Venus, but she is decidedly bipolar, having both peace-loving and war-mongering reputations. This talk explores multiple faces of Venus through her varied roles across cultures and in the ancient world.

Anna Estaroth  
Mercury the Mischievous Maneuverer  
How was Mercury depicted in the past? Apparently, Mercury’s aspects and habits are little changed over the millennia, but are they really? This talk examines classical, medieval and modern takes on Mercury.

Kim Farnell  
Psychological Astrology Before it was Invented  
Despite rumours to the contrary, ‘traditional’ astrology isn’t simply about finding lost cats and reducing the number of planets in a chart. Astrologers have always sought to describe and heal psychological conditions, and this talk discusses approaches and language used with examples from astrologers such as Simon Forman.

Jodie Forrest  
Mars Returns: Where’s the Boogeyman?  
Your returning Mars’s house position shows where your ‘inner warrior’s’ challenges manifest over the next two years – yet these challenges always refer back to your natal Mars placement. Want to brim with energy in your next Mars cycle? Learn to find and face the biennial boogeyman.
Jodie Forrest

Jupiter in Scorpio
From October 2017 to November 2018, the Greater Benefic dives into the Scorpionic underworld. Paradoxically, that is when we’ll find Jovian optimism, faith, renewal and ‘the vision thing’. Scorpio planets make that sometimes harrowing descent before re-emerging potentially stronger, wiser and carrying less baggage.

Peter Fraiss

Suicidality and the Time of Birth
My bachelor’s degree thesis is based on charts of 617 people who committed suicide and 1324 people who did not. Statistical analysis shows significant differences between the groups regarding angular separations between the Sun, Moon and other chart factors. A new mean of prevention is stated.

Stevi Gaydon

Bring Out the Sun: Alan Leo’s Astrology
The Theosophist and astrologer Alan Leo is often referred to as ‘the Father of Modern Astrology’ in recognition of his crucial influence on much of 20th Century astrology. In this talk, Stevi will examine Leo’s background and his aim to change the focus of astrology from prediction to inner, personal development.

Dr. Dorian Gieseler Greenbaum

Plenary: What Does Astrology Have to Do with Fate?
Astrology and fate have been connected for millennia. What do we mean when we talk about fate? Do we have free will? Are fate and free will incompatible? I shall talk about the historical perspective on fate and astrology, and suggest ways in which fate and free will can be accommodated in astrological practice.

Dr. Dorian Gieseler Greenbaum

A New Ancient Horoscope with the Seven Planetary Lots of Paulus Alexandrinus
Recently a new horoscope on papyrus was discovered in Berlin by Alexander Jones. I shall talk about what is in this ancient chart, why it is important for the history of astrology, and how it connects to the doctrine of planetary lots in antiquity.

Ed Gillam

Get Over it Guys! Regulus will be in Virgo for 2000 Years
Regulus moved into Virgo in 2011. A cultural change that will shape the centuries to come is occurring. The masculine, heroic age of Regulus in Leo is ending, and the feminine, collectivist age of Regulus in Virgo is beginning.

Ed Gillam

Saturn and the Transpersonal Planets in Mundane Astrology
Andre Barbault describes the Saturn–Neptune conjunction in 2026 as part of ‘the most benefic configuration of the century’. Ed will talk about Saturn’s role in grounding transpersonal dimensions of experience and in creating the framework for transformative cultural and political change.

Nicholas Grier

Political Astrology: How to Get it Right Some of the Time
Unlike the Romans, you don’t need to examine poultry livers to work out who is going to win an election. Close examination of leaders’ horoscopes, election charts and a healthy dose of common sense are more effective.

Nicholas Grier

Corporate Psychopaths: You Don’t Want to Meet Them in a Dark Office
What drives some people to the top of the corporate tree, taking no prisoners as they go? Power? Fame? Insecurity? Or good old-fashioned greed? Let’s get the astrological perspective.

Dr Rob Hand

Workshop: Dealing with Difficult Chart Combinations
It is not enough to tell clients that they can overcome difficult combinations by free will. We need to provide strategies and concrete behavioural suggestions. Each planet and combination has modes of living in which the energies of the planets can be made to work positively. Often the problem is that the individual has either 1) not thought of an appropriate alternative way of living, or 2) has been brought up not to recognise its possibility. This workshop will use the charts of the attendees to demonstrate the methods which are drawn from both modern and traditional astrology.

Dr Rob Hand

Plenary: The Constellations and Precession as They Have Affected History
The conventional way of presenting the precessional ages is to examine the timing of the movement of the vernal equinox through the sidereal sign of Pisces. This model uses the constellational image of Pisces as well as other constellations to achieve a much more precise model of how history correlates with precession. What implications does this have for our future as a culture?
Graham Ibell
Astrological Education in Schools
For the last six years I’ve been teaching astrology to 13–14- and 18-year Steiner schools students in NZ and the UK with the express aim of fostering their individuality and connecting them with an interactive cosmos. It has been met with deep hunger, wonderment and excitement. I will share some results, what works and future possibilities.

Graham Ibell
Luminaries Illuminated: The Astrology Behind Eleanor Catton’s ‘The Luminaries’
‘The Luminaries’ is an extraordinary book – both as a startling piece of literature and as a work that draws so elegantly and so satisfyingly from the deep well of astrology. I will explore the astrology contained within, particularly the architecture and the astrological and alchemical symbolism which hold the epic novel together.

Ana Isabel
The Carter Memorial Lecture: Astrology, Light, Life and Meaning
In this talk, Ana Isabel explores the role that astrology plays in helping us get a sense of identity and a context for incarnation. In this wide universe, where do we fit in? What does it mean to be an individual and why are these questions relevant in helping us develop inner peace?

Stefanie James
Black Moon Lilith: The Enigma
The original wild-woman of the Garden of Eden, Lilith’s appearance in religion, the arts and popular culture is formidable, enigmatic and intriguing. Exploring myth, history and religion, I shall look at Lilith’s influence in a handful of charts as well as her importance in modern astrology and the zeitgeist.

Sol W. Jonassen
The Astrology of Mid-life
The mid-life cycles present a challenging, yet enlightening chance for growth for the individual. In this lecture we will explore Uranus opposite Uranus, Neptune square Neptune, Pluto square Pluto and the Chiron Return to see how astrology can be a vital tool when learning to ride the life cycles.

Sol W. Jonassen
Astrology and Death
Through astrology, humans have understood cycles in nature, and death wasn’t seen as a random happening but as part of a deeper cycle. Let’s explore the transit of dying and death and see if astrology can offer us meaning and healing in these times of great grief and pain.

Bern Jurecic
29th Degree: The Swan Song Principle in Astrology
Is an anaretic degree the weakest point within a sign? Does a planet placed there indeed destroy the form? A two-faced god Janus? None of this. The last degree is like a Swan song – mighty and important.

Bern Jurecic
When in the Year? A New View on Timing in Solar Returns
A Solar Return is often seen as a minor astrological technique but my timing principle allows the Solar Return to become a very useful analytical and predictive tool. No additional calculations required! Learn to read these stories to your clients.

Ewa Krajewska
Venus in Fall and in Detriment
Venus shows our material status, relationships, artistic talents and how we dress. Does a weak Venus bring financial issues, bad luck in love, failures in artistic projects or bad taste in fashion? I will explain how to use a ‘weak’ Venus to be successful.

Miłosława Krogulska
Jupiter: Your Best Friend and Saviour
Jupiter is the best planet to ask for help during a crisis. His sign, house and aspects indicate areas in life in which we cannot fail. Using personal stories and mundane charts, we’ll learn how best to use Jupiter. Bring your horoscope and let’s work together with the power of Jupiter.

Ema Kurent
Eclipses in Personal Forecasting
Eclipses have long been overlooked in personal forecasting, although they are an ancient predictive tool. Throughout the 20th Century, they have mainly been used by mundane astrologers, but they are extremely useful in personal forecasting as well, provided they are properly understood and used according to exact interpretative rules.

Ema Kurent
Progressed Lunar Declination Cycle
My practice has shown that progressions in declination are as important as those in longitude – if not more so! With declination, we don’t have sign boundaries and the Moon (along with several planets) often goes out of bounds – 23.5° degrees north and south being powerful boundaries, which serve as eloquent forecasting tools.

Victoria Laloe
Self-determinism and Planetary Forces
Does astrology deny the existence of choice and free will in our lives? When Venus is in Pisces, do the sales of shoes go up? And if I resist the urge to buy those Italian leather boots, am I working with my planetary forces or against?
Sally Lloyd
Morning and Evening Stars in Astrology
Mercury and Venus continually cycle between being morning and evening stars, and this changes the expression of their urges and needs. This talk is a discussion on the other faces/ phases of these two planets – a little-used technique in modern astrology but one that was recognised by the ancients.

Vicky Maloney
The Sins of the Fathers: Family Patterns in the Horoscope
Just as genetic patterns are encoded in our DNA, the horoscope reveals recurring patterns in the charts of family members by way of shared signs and degrees, or placements and aspects in common. This talk will explore how family myth works its way down through the generations.

Theodore Naicker
A New Horizon for the European Union
With the next German national elections taking place in October 2017, the focus will be on the future of the EU. This talk looks at the mundane astrology of these events using simple traditional techniques such as Ingress and Eclipse charts to get an understanding of the potential consequences for Europe.

Zeynep Ozlem Yalcin
Stationary Planets
Stationary planets have a strong energy in charts. They are a key to learning our karmic lessons on our life path. Zeynep will use numerous examples to interpret stationary retrograde and stationary direct planets in natal and mundane horoscopes. Let’s discuss whether it is a challenge or a gift.

Eskild Rasmussen
Crime: Is the Criminal Mind Depicted in the Chart?
An ongoing research project into the charts of male murderers reveals that there is indeed such a phenomenon as a chart indicating crime, but this does not mean that a criminal mind is predetermined. Environmental factors play a huge role as a trigger. In this talk, we shall investigate further.

Melanie Reinhart
Workshop: Astrology and the Spiritual Path
What is the ‘spiritual path’? And how might astrology help or hinder us on our journey? Does the horoscope refer to this ‘journey’? And if so, where and what is its signification? This workshop will be an exploration of these questions in the light of ‘The Pathology of the Sublime’ (Assagioli) and a consideration of the spiritual perspectives which befite and support our great art. Bring your own spiritual wonderings and experiences.

Henry Seltzer
Dwarfs, Gods and Goddesses - the Impact of New Planets
Some astrologers already recognize the recently officially-named ‘dwarf’ planets as serious factors in chart analysis, quite timely for our current era. Eris, as Feminine Warrior, is described in Henry’s well-received ‘Tenth Planet’, published by Wessex. Makemake and Haumea are revealed to be archetypal energies implying a profound connection to Nature.

Helen Sewell
What’s Love Got to Do With It? Astrological Couple Work
Astrology is a fantastic tool when dealing with clients who would like insights into their relationship. Drawing on Helen’s 10 years’ experience as a couples counsellor, she will be looking at the most common problems that come up for clients and how we can help our clients resolve them.

Zane B Stein
Chiron: Wounded Healer
Carl Jung, through his personal healing process, discovered the Wounded Healer archetype in himself. Zane will discuss the mythos of Chiron, and Jung’s discovery of the archetype within. He will then explore Chiron in Jung’s chart and show how we can see our own Chironic wounds.

Sue Tompkins
Plenary: Exploring Uranus in Taurus
Uranus goes into Taurus in May 2018. The last time it was there (1934–42) we had World War II and previously (1850–9), the Crimean War. What can we expect socially, environmentally and politically this time around? How can we personally and collectively make the most of this ingress?

Sue Tompkins
Transforming Pluto
‘Power’ is often a keyword attributed to Pluto, but ‘impotence’ – at the other end of the spectrum – is frequently a more accurate word. Sue explains further, while attempting to give the dwarf planet – the planet of makeovers – something of a light-hearted makeover.
Demian Allan on behalf of The British Astrological and Psychic Society is the astrologer for ‘Kindred Spirit’ and ‘Mind Body Spirit’ magazines and is political astrologer for ‘Channel 4 News’. He is also a tutor at The College of Psychic Studies.

Jodey Collorick on behalf of The Company of Astrologers is a founder member of the Bath Astrologers’ Forum. Jodey studied with the COA and is a tutor on their Katarche course. He has an interest in the history and philosophy of astrology, and maintains a practice in the Gloucestershire hills.

Angela Cornish on behalf of The School of Traditional Astrology has practised and taught astrology for many years. Her special interests are horary and traditional forecasting techniques.

Faye Blake-Cossar is founder of the Amsterdam School of Astrology. A therapist and business consultant, she holds an MA in Cultural Astronomy and Astrology and has spoken at many international conferences. Her book, ‘Using Astrology to Create a Vocational Profile’, forms the basis of her tailor-made Vocational Apprenticeship program.

Mark Cullen completed Deborah Houlding’s STA Certificate in Horary in 2005 and has studied traditional astrology extensively since. Mark was Chair of the Scottish Astrological Association (2011-2016) and is mundane astrology moderator of the Skyscript website. He lives in Edinburgh and works in the voluntary sector.

Barbara Dunn on behalf of The Qualified Horary Practitioner has recently been awarded a doctoral studentship from the Wellcome Trust for research into medical astrology at Exeter University. Barbara has enjoyed a long career as a media astrologer, is Principal of the QHP and author of ‘Horary Astrology Re-Examined’.

Jean Elliot on behalf of astrologycollege.com is a director of this school and has been responsible for its course development. She has been one of many astrologers who have worked at astrology camps, at the Glastonbury Festival and the Green Gathering.

Hedley England has been studying astrology since 1980. He is fascinated by the chaos theory of life, and seeks to find ways to predict the untoward. He has found the Black Moon very important in this respect. He is a published author (‘Degrees of Flight’) and lectures on aviation subjects.

Anna Estaroth has been a professional astrologer since 1971 and has lectured in the UK and abroad. She is a fellow of the APAI and prior Chair of the Scottish Astrological Association. She is completing her studies for the MA in Cultural Astronomy and Astrology at the University of Wales.

Kim Farnell on behalf of The Astrological Lodge of London has been President of the Lodge since 2008. She holds an MA in Cultural Astronomy and Astrology and has lectured extensively. She is the author and editor of numerous books and her primary interest is the history of astrology.

Jodie Forrest is a California-based astrologer, writer and teacher who’s been working with clients and students for 33 years. A frequent contributor to astrological journals, she wrote the book ‘The Ascendant’, and co-authored ‘Skymates I’, ‘Skymates II’ and two synastry reports. www.thestarryroad.com; www.deepspaceart.net

Peter Fraiss BSc has been working as a professional astrologer since 1980. He is a pioneer of psychological astrology in Austria, a director of the Vienna School of Astrology and author of Sarastro, the leading astrology software in Germany and Austria. He received his Bachelor’s degree in Psychology in 2016.

Stevi Gaydon DFAstrolS on behalf of The Faculty of Astrological Studies is a consulting astrologer as well as a tutor with, and Vice President of, the FAS. She has an MA in Cultural Astronomy and Astrology from the University of Wales: her dissertation was on the work of Alan Leo.


CONFERENCE SPEAKERS
Ed Gillam encountered astrology during 1993's magical Uranus – Neptune conjunction. Dane Rudhyar, the spiritual philosopher who redefined the creative potential of astrology, inspires Ed's work. The astrological group that he helped to establish in Exeter in 1996 offers a focus for local astrology in east Devon.

Nicholas Grier read English at Oxford University, Law at Edinburgh University and was head of the Law department at Edinburgh Napier University. He is now Professor of Scots Commercial Law at Abertay University. He has written various law books and is a former Chair of the Scottish Astrological Association.

Dr Robert Hand has been called the 'Father of 21st Century Astrology.' His theoretical work and client practice spans almost 60 years. He holds memberships in the History of Science Society, the American Historical Association, ISAR and NCGR. He is the author of 'Planets in Transit' and other bestsellers.

Graham Ibell earned the CPAs Diploma with distinction in 2000. A tutor for the Mayo School, he has practised and taught astrology in the UK and New Zealand for over 20 years. Graham’s work is supported by four years' training in Process Oriented Psychology and extensive use of the I Ching.

Ana Isabel combines hypnotherapy and astrology to help unblock repressed aspects of the personality, and focuses on the links between the birth chart, karma and pre-birth experiences. She works with the Queen's Doctor at his Belgravia clinic and broadcasts regularly on matters of astrology as well as mental health.

Stefanie James works as an astrologer and Reiki Master practitioner at her practice in Greenwich. Having studied modern, traditional and psychological astrology at the LSA and elsewhere, she now teaches and lectures on astrology. Stefanie has a particular interest in mystery, unknown and occult subjects. www.stelliumastrology.com

Sol W. Jonassen has been a professional astrologer since 1999. She completed Maurice Fernandez's course and specialises in therapeutic astrology. She works full-time as an astrologer and enjoys a worldwide clientele. Sol runs Polaris, the annual Norwegian astrology conference. She is a certified energy healer and meditation instructor.

Bern Jurecic is one of Slovenia’s leading astrologers and has been a practising counselling astrologer for more than 25 years. An author, lecturer, teacher and head of the Slovenian Astrological Association, he is also an ISAR VP for Slovenia. He has given workshops in Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia and Czech Republic.

Ewa Krajewska studied Spanish at the University of Warsaw and lived in Mexico for eight years, where she hosted a TV show on astrology. She gives lectures at conferences for the Polish Astrological Association and organises courses in astrology. Since 2016, she has resided in London.

Miłosława Krogulska is a Polish astrologer and teacher. Her articles have been published in the national press and she often appears on TV and radio in Poland. She is a co-founder of The Polish Astrological Association and the publisher of two tri-monthly magazines, 'The Tarotist’ and ‘Professional Astrology’.

Ema Kurent DFAstroLS, QHP, CMA, ISAR CAP is a leading Slovenian astrologer and has been consulting, teaching, writing and researching since 1988. She runs the Astrological Academy Stella (an ISAR-affiliated school) and has authored several books. She has lectured in Slovenia, Serbia, the UK, US, Poland, India and South Africa.

Victoria Laloe is a psychological astrologer, NLP practitioner, hypnotherapist and breathworker with a BA (Hons.) in Astronomy. She has been practising astrology for over 30 years, teaching and working around the world. Her focus is always on the nature of personal reality and conscious magical living and what these mean for humanity.

Sally Lloyd is an eternal student of astrology – a journey that began in the late 1970s. Initially self-taught, she gained her diploma in natal and mundane astrology from The Mayo School of Astrology in 2011. She continues to research, learn, read natal charts and share through public events.

Vicky Maloney on behalf of The London School of Astrology has been interested in astrology for over 30 years. In 1989, she enrolled on the CPA's course and later taught a beginners' class at Biddenham College in Bedford. She sees clients and holds workshops, and recently completed the LSA's Apprenticeship Programme.
Theodore Naicker has a BSc Petroleum Engineering degree and currently lives in London. He holds a Diploma in Medieval Studies (Robert Zoller) and a Diploma in Astrological Studies (Rod Suskin). He is currently studying Sanskrit Etymology in preparation for studies in Jyotish with Sanjay Rath.

Zeynep Ozlem Yalcin received certifications as a horary and electional astrology practitioner from The School of Wisdom of the Sky in Istanbul, and will graduate from advanced and master classes in 2017. She writes daily astrology forecasts and gives voluntary counselling on her social media accounts called Astrolojisu.

Eskild Rasmussen (born 1962) is an author and astrologer with a bachelor’s degree in Computer Science. He has worked as a school teacher, forest worker and software tester. His passion is testing astrology in order to determine which astrological elements work.

Melanie Reinhart has had astrology central to her life since 1959. A graduate and patron of the FAS, Melanie has presented original material in many countries and runs a busy consulting practice. Publications include ground-breaking work on Chiron and the Centaurs. She received The Charles Harvey Award in 2004.

Henry Seltzer, with over 30 years of astrological experience, he has been a speaker at conferences for the past several years. His book on Eris is ‘The Tenth Planet’, and he created the TimePassages astrology software for Mac/Windows and iPhone. He does astrological writing, counselling, and software from Santa Cruz, California.

Helen Sewell on behalf of MISPA is a professional psychological astrologer with over 30 years’ experience. She gained a diploma from the CPA and is also a Relate-trained couples counsellor. In 2015, Helen joined The Mercury Internet School of Psychological Astrology (MISPA) as one of its tutors.

Zane B Stein pioneered research into Chiron, and wrote ‘Essence and Application: A View from Chiron’, the most quoted Chiron text. He is currently researching other Centaurs and dwarf planets such as Eris. Zane has lectured throughout North America, Great Britain and Ireland, as well as Australia, where he currently resides.

Sue Tompkins is a teacher, consultant and homeopath who has been involved with astrology since the early 70s. Known for ‘Aspects in Astrology’ and ‘The Contemporary Astrologer’s Handbook’, she lectures widely at home and abroad and has been honoured with awards including The Charles Harvey Award in 2003. www.suetompkins.com

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