

Charting Events with *Electional Astrology - Judy Collins*

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In January's Saturday workshop on Electional Astrology, Judy Collins gave us the rules we need to cast charts for the best times to get married, buy and sell real estate and have surgery. In the January "Astrologer", Judy listed "Rules for Starting a Business" and the meanings of the houses in a business chart. Saturday's workshop was a continuation of this great informational material to help in other areas of our lives, as well.

Marriage

Starting with a subject dear to the hearts of everyone, Judy gave us the Electional Rules for Marriage. Some important ones to consider are as follows: Set marriage chart for the "I Do"; then adjust the time back to ascertain the start of the wedding. Both parties should have ruler of the 7th house direct. Avoid squares to the Moon and Void of Course Moon. Venus and Mars and Sun and Moon should be in Good Aspect - they represent the woman and man. Moon and Venus should be in Good Aspect - representing the feelings and harmony in marriage. Avoid Retrograde Venus, ruler of love in marriage and Retrograde Mercury, ruler of contracts. Avoid Saturn and Uranus in angular houses -especially the 1st and the 7th. Avoid afflicting aspects (conjunction, square, inconjunct and opposition) between Mars and Neptune, as these aspects will bring in problems with alcohol, drugs, deception and misunderstanding.

Judy discussed the marriage chart of Prince Charles and Princess Diana, and then interpreted charts from the audience. During the lively discussion,

which followed, Judy added some more points to think about:

To see how your marriage will evolve, track the transits, using your ephemeris. If your marriage is dissolved, you can find out what happened by tracking the transits that were applying during your marriage. Marriages may be in crisis at 12-13 years, 24-25 years, and 36-38 years. This is Judy's 12-year cycle rule, based on the Jupiter cycle. If something is not right within your marriage, Jupiter will blow it up to a crisis during its cycle times. The Mid-Heaven determines the fate of the marriage.

Real Estate

Moving on to Real Estate charts, Judy's most important rules are as follows: Set up your chart for the date, place and time when the Deed is recorded; the time between your signing and when the deed is recorded is "free floating time". Signs on angles are important -Cardinal = lots of action and activity; Mutable = adaptability and desire to make changes; Fixed = keeps owner in the house longer. 1st house is primary wage earner; 7th house is other partner, OR if the owners have equal purchasing power, 1st house represents both. Aspects of rulers of 1st and 7th show the individual owner's feelings about the house. Note the aspects of the Moon to see what changes will take place after purchase. Critical degrees can show problem areas to watch within the house.

When putting your house on the market for sale, the following rules apply: Owners are the 1st house; prospective buyers are the 7th. The

10th house is the valuation - ruler shows if house is priced right for sale. The house is the 4th house, and planets in that house show things that might turn up in inspection. Avoid Mercury Retrograde. Watch planets at 29 degrees, changing sign and critical degree.

Surgery

The third category of the day was the all-important Electional Rules for Surgery. Unless you have emergency surgery, where you have no choice, you will need the cooperation of your surgeon to set up your electional surgery chart, which has many rules. It is actually impossible to get all the rules to apply, so you need to do the best you can by following the most important ones, which are as follows: NO applying Squares to the Moon - NONE - and avoid a Void of Course Moon. Must have a valid Ascendant, which means more than 3 degrees rising, but no more than 27 degrees. Ruler of Electional chart Ascendant should be direct. Avoid Retrograde Mars and Mars in Scorpio. Avoid Retrograde Mercury because of

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possible needed repeat surgery. Avoid retrograde ruler of the Sign on the part of body undergoing surgery. Avoid operating on the part of body where Ascendant or Moon falls. Operating on Full Moon may cause excess bleeding. To prevent infection and possible bad reaction to anesthesia, avoid bad aspects of Neptune to Ascendant or the Moon. Avoid cosmetic surgery of any kind with Venus Retrograde. Knowledge of sign rulership of parts of the body is also very important, as you want to avoid surgery when the ruler of the sign is in

those parts; for example, Aries rules head, face, brain and upper teeth. Solar Arcs making aspects to natal planets can denote surgery or a health crisis during that year. Arabic Parts and afflicting aspects also show the possibility of surgery from Eclipses, Chiron and the Nodes. By keeping your energies positive and your heart light (living with love and forgiveness as opposed to anger, jealousy and judgmental behavior), afflicting aspects can pass you by as a surgical candidate.

Judy has other rules to consider, which she has found to be of importance in electional surgery. Again, the class was able to see how

the rules applied in real cases by discussing actual surgical charts supplied by the audience. If you missed Judy's workshop and want more information on these subjects, see Judy at the next ASA meeting. Many thanks to Judy for putting together so much detailed information, in order for us to help ourselves to an easier, happier journey on our road through life.

Thank you, Judy!

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