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Frank Clifford

FEB 28

1-5 p.m.
Ft Mason Gatehouse

MARCH 01

10:30 a.m. -5:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210

The Rhythms of Your Life: Honing Your Forecasting Skills

This seminar will offer a number of tools (including 'Define and Connect') to simplify the process of interpreting upcoming trends. He'll introduce you to solar arc directions, the most reliable and accurate forecasting tool, and show you how to use these simply and effectively to achieve maximum results. You'll be amazed! (February 28, 1-5 p.m.)

Following Your Bliss: The Astrology of Work, Vocation & Life Purpose

Birth charts reveal vocational options and work avenues and help to clarify career choices. Focusing on three specific areas, Frank will show how the birth chart can help us pinpoint our calling and follow our hearts and select the best way of developing a reputation and making a contribution to the world around us. Frank will use examples from the group, so feel welcome to bring your charts along. □ (March 1, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

Jupiter: It's Too Much - But is It Enough?

Jupiter reveals how and where we're blessed -so much so that we can inspire others with its message. But can Jupiter be too much of a good thing? Frank will look at the charts of people with a prominent Jupiter to gauge its wide range of expression in temperament and manifestation. We'll examine the various exemplary and sinister sides to the Greater Benefic. (March 1, 4-5:30 p.m.)

Astrologer • Palmist • Lecturer • Consultant • Author • Columnist • Publisher • Editor

Frank Clifford is an independent, creative force in the astrological community for a quarter of a century. Frank has built an eclectic career in astrology, palmistry and publishing as a writer of a dozen books including a modern classic on hand analysis; columnist and biographer; sun sign astrologer for numerous magazines; consultant for clients and businesses; publisher of over 30 books and booklets; researcher and compiler of birth data (including a compendium for Solar Fire); media astrologer/palmist profiled and interviewed on radio, TV and in print; international lecturer and the Principal of the London School of Astrology where, for the past ten years, he has been instrumental in bringing a younger generation to astrology. For more info please visit <http://www.flareuk.com/about.html>



Maurice Fernandez

APRIL 28

7:30-9:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210

Chiron - Mortality of a Master

Since its discovery in 1977, the centaur Chiron has fascinated astrologers and many books were subsequently released on the subject, with the common reference of Chiron as the "wounded healer." Maurice will take the study to a new direction and explore the complex dynamics involving this peculiar body, positioning Chiron in every house and sign.

For more than twenty years, **Maurice Fernandez** has been developing a worldwide network as a full-time astrology teacher, counselor, and writer. He has authored several books and collaborative writing projects, and has organized astrology conferences around the world, notably The River of Stars Astrology Conference in Hawaii. Maurice is currently the President of The Organization for Professional Astrology - OPA, and has introduced the ISAR organization to Israel.

He has forged a reputation of excellence among clients, students, and the greater astrology community, and is currently based on the Big Island of Hawaii.

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Aleksandar Imsiragic

MAY 17

Workshop 1-5 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210

Hermetic Astrology and Strings Between Incarnations

Everyone lives through three incarnations simultaneously at any moment. They are represented as three different lives that are most crucial for our development. Finding a way to unite them means liberation and represents the final goal of Hermetic Astrology. In this workshop we will define those three different incarnations we live all the time and also we'll describe a way to unite those different lives in order to create one real Cosmic Life that represents our True Being.

Aleksandar Imsiragic (ISAR CAP) is ISAR Education Director and founder of the Johannes Kepler Astrological Institute in Belgrade, Serbia.

He has been an astrologer for more than 25 years, teaches meditation, has written eleven astrological books, and has organized annual International Astrological Conferences in Belgrade since 2001.

His work is based on a synthesis of Western and Eastern traditions of knowledge, and his special interests are in the fields of fixed stars, karmic astrology, and astro-healing.
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Dennis Harness

JULY 29

7:30-9:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210

The Predictive Planetary Periods of Vedic Astrology

The dashas or planetary periods of Hindu Astrology represent the development life cycles and future trends of one's life. This is a unique predictive system based on the position of your natal Moon's nakshatra placement. This analysis can be particularly helpful for gaining a more comprehensive OVERVIEW of the timing of karmic patterns coming to fruition. Marriage, career success and other important life events can be revealed with detailed accuracy.

Dennis M. Harness, Ph.D. is a professional astrologer who holds a doctorate degree in Counseling Psychology. For more than twenty years, Dennis has studied both Eastern and Western techniques of astrology. He presents workshops on Vedic Astrology and Transpersonal Psychology throughout the world. He is the author of *The Nakshatras: The Lunar Mansions of Vedic Astrology*, which is published by Lotus Press. Dr. Harness is currently working on a new book titled *The Karmic Code: The Predictive Planetary Periods of Vedic Astrology*. Dennis is the conference organizer of the Sedona Vedic Astrology Conference to be held November 19-23, 2015 in Sedona, Arizona.

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**Christopher
Renstrom****AUG 15**Workshop
1-5 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210**Mighty Aphrodite: She's Nobody's Bitch**

Venus symbolizes the power of attraction in a horoscope. Venus is our advertising campaign; the planet responsible for drawing people into our lives. Like a male peacock fanning its tail or a flower opening its petals, Venus asks our prospective lovers, friends, buyers, and bosses: do you like what you see?

We all have a list of qualities we want in a lover. But how many of us actually find that person? Why is it that what we see in our mind's eye rarely matches what we get in love? Venus doesn't show us what we want. Venus shows us what we get. The first part of the workshop will look at Venus in art, culture, and history. We will then spend the last part of the workshop examining the role of Venus in each attendant's horoscope and tease apart what she has to say about the kind of signals we put out there and the kind of love that we attract into our lives.

Christopher Renstrom is the daily horoscope columnist for the *San Francisco Chronicle* and SFGate.com, and also writes three weekly columns for Sheknows.com. Christopher is the creator of RulingPlanets.com, a subscription-based interactive Astrology website adapted from his bestselling book *Ruling Planets* published by HarperCollins in 2002. He created and wrote the horoscope column for *ALLURE Magazine* from 1991 through 2009. Now the exclusive astrologer for Patti Stanger (the Millionaire Matchmaker) his forecasts appear on PattiKnows.com. In 2012 and 2013 Christopher was voted Best Astrologer by Utah's *City Weekly*. crenstrom@mac.com; <http://rulingplanets.com>.

**Faye Cossar****SEPT 26**Workshop
10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210**The What and Where of Your Vocation + the Heart And Soul of Your Business**

The Sun in a horoscope shows where your heart lies and what you love. This must be part of your calling. Faye will show how to find vocation in the horoscope by using case studies and discussing examples from the audience – so bring your charts. Faye's perspective emphasizes the importance of following your heart and getting to a place where your heart wish can be activated.

She will translate this to your business or practice. How can you define your business DNA so that you can express it in your branding and marketing? Through experiencing Faye's hands-on approach using a simple exercise, you will get concrete ideas for promoting your uniqueness and for helping your clients do this. If you have a company chart bring that too. Astro*carto*graphy will also be discussed so you can see where in the world your uniqueness can be even more visible.

New Zealand-born **Faye Cossar** offers an innovative mix of services: she's a counseling astrologer and therapist who uses past life regression work with clients, and she's also a business consultant who offers original ways to use astrology in the working environment. A hands-on approach to vocational astrology has made Faye a sought-after speaker at schools and conferences internationally. Her book *Using Astrology to Create a Vocational Profile: Finding the Right Career Direction*, was published in 2012. She currently runs The Amsterdam School of Astrology in her adopted home of Holland and is also the founder of Strut Your Stuff, a group that offers branding, design, text writing and website building – see www.strutyourstuff.nl/en/home-english. www.fayecossar.com; to subscribe Faye's free monthly newsletter go to www.juxtaposition.nl/ezine.html.

**Jessica
Shepherd****OCT 13**7:30-9:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210**Karmic Dates & Momentary Mates: The Astrology of the Fifth House**

The one-night stand, the fling, the one that got away, the unrequited love affair... all are common expressions of the astrological fifth house. What is the purpose of these short-term relationships? Is there one – besides having your socks knocked off, your world spun upside down and your heart blown open?

Karmic Dates and Momentary Mates sheds light on your favorite "time of life" relationships, their joys, drama, and karma (hint: it's hidden behind all that fun) as well as the key to its resolution. In this lecture, using celebrity and client examples, we'll explore planets in the fifth house. Learn how to spot the key signs that you're dating your mate of the moment, not a life partner, and when to love and when to let go.

Jessica Shepherd has studied astrology since 1992 and has been practicing and writing about astrology since 2003. She specializes in counseling people through transition, personal growth and awakening. She believes astrology can help us understand our self, our world, and guide us to make better decisions. Jessica is author of *A Love Alchemist's Notebook: Magical Secrets for Drawing Your True Love Into Your Life* (Llewellyn, 2010) *Karmic Dates & Momentary Mates: The Astrology of the Fifth House* (2014), and *Venus Signs: Discover Your Erotic Strengths and Secret Desires Through Astrology* (Llewellyn, Jan 2015). She's written for *WellBeing Astrology* (Australia), *Llewellyn's Moon Sign Book*, and *Constellation Dreams in Pregnancy & Newborn Magazine*. She is a contributing writer at Mooncircles.com, and her writing has been featured on Astrology.com and Astrocenter.com. Jessica is also an AADP Certified Health Coach. www.JessicaShepherd.net; www.moonkissd.com/; https://www.facebook.com/Moonkissd?ref=br_tf

**Joseph
Kaminski****NOV 10**7:30-9:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210**Spiritualism, Astrology, and Near Death Experience**

Have you ever wondered what happens when a person clinically dies? Some have temporarily died and come back. We'll review some basic principles, history and the astrology of the advent of the religion, philosophy, and science of Modern Spiritualism, and the concept of "Near Death Experience" (NDE). We'll look at the most recent Neptune return in relation to the Modern Spiritualism natal chart. We'll explore the in-hospital Near Death Experience of an Oregon woman in October 2012 and the story of a Morgan Hill, Calif. Resident featured in 2014 on San Jose's KNTV. Participants who have had NDEs will be invited to briefly share their own journeys.

Joseph Kaminski is a San Francisco-based astrologer (NCGR Level 3 Certified). Since 1998 he's been owner of Explorative Communications, a business that focuses on astrological analysis, Reiki healing, writing/editing, and voice production services. Joseph's studied astrology since the late 1960s when he began intuiting various personality characteristics, sensing key planetary emphasis in some individuals, and observing cycles and patterns affecting him and others. He's been developing, writing and living by his own philosophy since his teen years. Joseph has been serving as NCGR San Francisco Chapter Vice President for the past 4 years. He's also a Reiki practitioner, writer, dream journalist and Commissioned Spiritualist Healer. His website is www.explorativecommunications.com.

**April Elliott
Kent****DEC 10**7:30-9:30 p.m.
Ft Mason C-210**Saturn in Sagittarius: Scaling Your Personal Everest**

Sagittarius is the sign of the adventurer, and like so many intrepid Edmund Hillarys and Tenzing Norgays, we are challenged to scale our personal Mount Everests over the next two years. Sagittarius thinks big, and Saturn in this sign won't prevent from embarking on a big adventure—but you need to be prepared for the journey. Otherwise, you might be halfway up the mountain before you realize that you've bitten off more than you can chew!

In this lecture, we'll explore: how Saturn's last transit of Sagittarius in the 1980s can help us understand what the next two years have in store for us – culturally and individually; what to expect from transiting Saturn in Sagittarius' aspects to Jupiter, Uranus, and Neptune, and this summer's retrograde into Scorpio; and how your natal Saturn placement, your current phase in Saturn's 29-year-cycle, and the houses of your chart impacted by Saturn in Sagittarius will color your experience of this important transit, professionally and personally.

April Elliott Kent is a professional astrologer and author living in San Diego, Calif. She is the author of *Astrological Transits* (Fair Winds Press, 2015), *The Essential Guide to Practical Astrology* (Alpha/Penguin 2011), and *Star Guide to Weddings* (Llewellyn 2008). Her astrological writing has also appeared in *The Mountain Astrologer* and *Dell Horoscope* magazines and in Llewellyn's Sun Sign, Moon Sign, and Sabbats annuals. A popular lecturer, April served on the faculty of UAC 2012, is a member of ISAR, and is currently on the board of the San Diego Astrological Society. Find her on the Web at: www.bigskyastrology.com; <http://www.facebook.com/bigskyastrology>; <http://www.twitter.com/bigskyastrology>