

4/10: WHEN WILL WE MOVE TO OUR APARTMENT?

3 August 2004 at 10:28 a.m. in Kranj, Slovenia

Hour ruler: Mercury

The question was asked by a friend. The works in the apartment which she and her partner had recently bought and were now renovating, had been dragging on. The deadline for the completion of the works was approaching but she was worrying that at that time the apartment would still not be ready. This is what she wrote me in an email that arrived into my mailbox at 10:28: *Ema, would you be so kind to look at my 'stars' and tell me, will we ever move into that apartment that we bought? The adaptation is going so slowly and things are getting ever more complicated. I'm at my wit's end. These people are all deceiving and double-crossing us...!*

I set up the chart for the time the question was sent to me. Ascendant is in Libra, which is also her natal ascendant. Its ruler Venus is in the last degrees of Gemini, indicating the proximity of their move. The cusp of the next sign (Cancer) is three degrees and a half (3°28', to be exact) away, which in view of the fact that Venus is in a mutable sign and in a cadent house (H9) could mean 3.5 months - or even 3.5 years, but years, in the context of the question, would be completely unrealistic, of course.

This was one timing indication, but the major "timer", as we know, is the Moon, so let's see what it does in the chart. It is in Pisces and in H6, and since it functions as the querent's co-significator, this clearly shows where her interest lies: in the workers (contractors) whose slowness frustrated her. They are signified by Jupiter, H6 ruler, which is placed in Virgo, the sign of its detriment, and in the weak H12, which eloquently describes their ineffectiveness. The Moon applies to it by an opposition; could this mean that the situation was getting worse?

The first applying aspect of the Moon is trine Saturn, the H4 ruler – significator of the flat. The aspect will be completed in 3°33' which is almost identical to the distance of Venus to 0° Cancer, and because the Moon is also in a mutable sign and a cadent house, this suggests the same time unit: month. So – in 3.5 months?

You will notice that Saturn is not only the significator of the flat but also almuten of the ascendant, therefore it partly rules the querent. Being in the sign of its detriment it describes her as unhappy, sad and frustrated.

I called her and said that they would be able to move to the renovated apartment in three and a half units of time, probably months. She said that this was impossible, because the deadline was the end of August, and this equals to three and a half weeks! Interesting, I said, maybe they would really be weeks and not months, but the chart suggested months. I was pretty sure about the number of time units elapsing until the predicted event, but suddenly not so sure about the true time unit.

It turned out that the chart described the time unit very precisely: they moved in mid-November 2004 which was exactly 3.5 months after the question!

It is also interesting that problems with the workers really went from bad to worse. They were very slow and when the querent and her partner finally moved into the renovated apartment, they soon found that the parquet was not laid properly because it started to lift. The poor state of Jupiter, the H6 ruler to which the Moon applies by an opposition (stress, conflict), shows this very clearly!

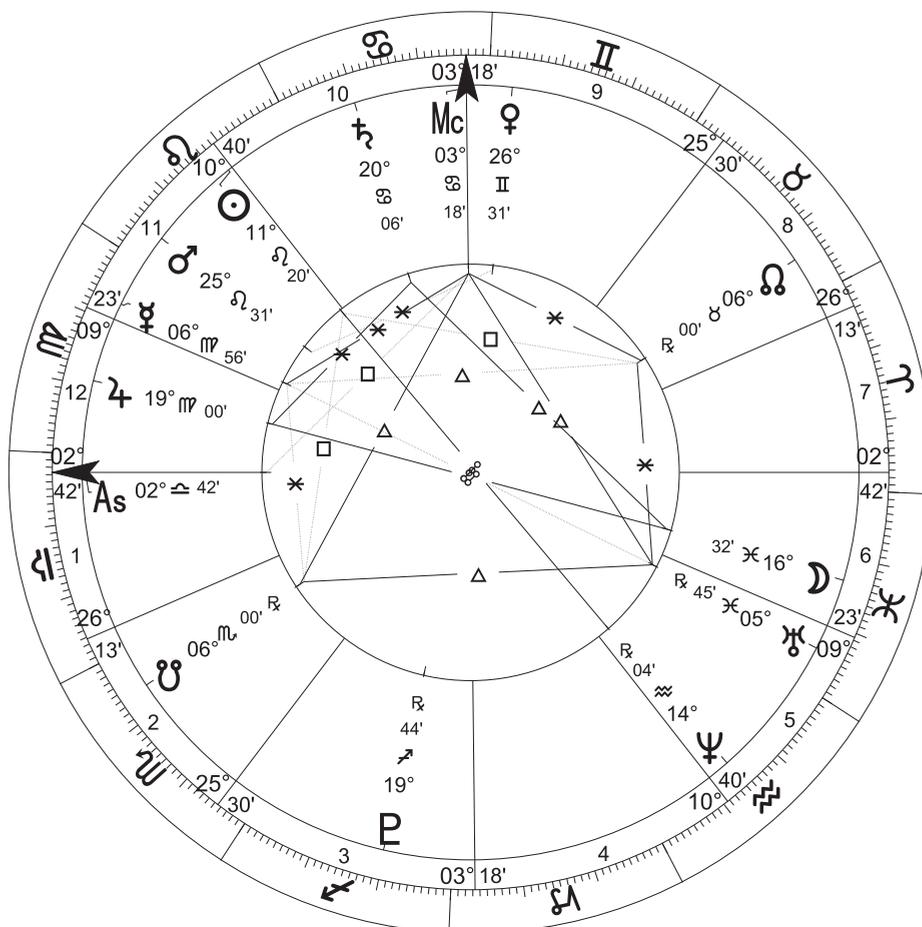
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3 Aug 2004
 10:28 CEDT -2:00
 Kranj, Slovenia
 46°N15' 014°E21'

Day of ♂	Hour of ♀
4th Hour of Day	
Last Hr ♀	-57 mins
Next Hr ♂	+15 mins

Hs	Alm.
1	♄
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4	♄
5	♄
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7	♄
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10	♄
11	♄
12	♀

MUT. RECEPTIONS	
♀ ♀	Ruler-Trip
♀ ♄	Trip-Trip
♄ ♀	Trip-Term



NEAREST ECLIPSES (NM/FM)						
☉ ☿	19 Apr 2004	15:21	29° ♈ 49'	Partial	S119	
☾ ♃	4 May 2004	22:33	14° ♎ 41'	Total	S131	
☉ ♄	14 Oct 2004	04:48	21° ♌ 05'	Partial	S124	
☾ ♀	28 Oct 2004	05:07	05° ♏ 02'	Total	S136	

Pt	Long.	Travel	Decl.	traditional pts				F/S	Antiscia	C.Ant.
				Last Stn	Next Stn	Last Stn	Next Stn			
♄	16° ♋ 32' 15"	+13° 58'	-08° 49'	-	-	-	-	Fast	13° ♌ 27'	13° ♈ 27'
♄	11° ♏ 20' 05"	+57° 24"	+17° 22'	-	-	-	-	Slow	18° ♏ 39'	18° ♎ 39'
♀	06° ♎ 56'	+31° 38"	+06° 32'	-94 days	+6,7 days	21° ♈ 06' 58"	08° ♎ 46' 28"	Slow	23° ♈ 03'	23° ♌ 03'
♀	26° ♀ 31'	+49° 16"	+19° 14'	-34 days	+508 days	09° ♀ 37' 32"	01° ♎ 28' 00"	Slow	03° ♀ 28'	03° ♎ 28'
♄	25° ♏ 31'	+37° 55"	+14° 04'	-311 days	+424 days	00° ♋ 07' 06"	23° ♏ 22' 20"	Fast	04° ♏ 28'	04° ♎ 28'
♄	19° ♎ 00'	+11° 26"	+05° 21'	-90 days	+182 days	08° ♎ 54' 52"	18° ♌ 51' 45"	Fast	10° ♈ 59'	10° ♌ 59'
♄	20° ♁ 06'	+07° 26"	+21° 42'	-148 days	+96 days	06° ♁ 17' 09"	27° ♁ 20' 35"	Fast	09° ♀ 53'	09° ♀ 53'

MOON ASPECTS	
♄	♁ 2° 34' A
♄	♄ 3° 28' A
♄	♄ 3° 40' A
♄	♈ 13° 27' A

ESSENTIAL DIGNITIES								
Pt	Ruler	Exalt	Trip	Term	Face	Detri	Fall	Score
♄	♄	♀	♀	♀	♄	♄	♀	-5 p
♄	♄ +	--	♄ +	♄	♄	♄	--	+8
♀	♀ +	♀ +	♀	♀ +	♄	♄	♀	+11
♀	♀	--	♄ m	♄	♄	♄	--	-5 p
♄	♄	--	♄	♄ +	♄ +	♄	--	+3
♄	♀	♀	♀	♄ +	♄	- ♄	-	-3
♄	♄	♄	♀ m	♄	♄	- ♄	-	-10 p

ASPECTS	
♄	♁ 0° 15' A
♄	♄ 0° 15' A
♄	♁ 0° 33' A
As	Mc 0° 36' S
♀	♄ 0° 48' S
♀	♁ 0° 53' S
♀	♁ 0° 53' S
♄	♄ 1° 05' A
♄	Mc 2° 26' S
♄	♁ 2° 34' A

PLANETARY SECT				
Planet	Cht	Plc	Sgn	Condition
♄	D	D	D	In Hayz
♄	N	D	N	
♀	N	D	D	Ex Cond
♀	N	D	D	Ex Cond
♄	N	D	D	
♄	D	D	D	
♄	D	D	N	

D=Diurnal, N=Nocturnal

As the chart showed, the man was indeed rumbling around, and they found him in a vineyard, close to a field and a beehive that he was once renting. She also said, upon my inquiry, that he obviously came down there from a hill. The direction of his stroll? West and slightly north.

Always cast horary charts for the time when questions are born (thought of, written down and sent to you), not for the time when you read and understand them!

7/4: WHERE IS TONI R.? WILL HE RETURN HOME SAFELY?

2 September 2002 at 9:16 a.m., Ljubljana, Slovenia

Hour ruler: Jupiter

At the end of August 2002, Slovenian news media reported that the parents of 28-year Toni R. had long been in the dark about the whereabouts of their son who had been travelling the Asian continent for a couple of years. The last news they had of him was in his email of 14 April 2002 which he wrote from Pakistan. On 3 July 2002 his parents heard from a police officer in Maribor who informed them that their son might be held in one of the Pakistani's prisons. The news was supposed to come from Interpol who received an anonymous email notice, but with no further data, so that nobody actually knew where Toni was imprisoned, and on what charges. On the same day the parents contacted the Slovenian Foreign Ministry who established a connection with the Slovenian Embassy in Tehran, to begin the search for the missing man.

The question came to my mind when I read a piece of news in a daily newspaper, saying that Toni was probably still in prison because despite extensive media campaign there was no news of him. My question was, what happened to him, where was he and would he return home safely?

As always in cases when we do not personally know the missing person, or their relationship with us is not defined, Toni is shown by the ascendant and H1. Ascendant is in Libra, together with its dispositor Venus which occupies H1. This in itself gives plenty of hope, because H1 is an angular and powerful house, while Libra is Venus' home sign. The young man is obviously alive and well! Venus applies to a retrograde Uranus by a close trine, which predicts a sudden happy turn or literally the liberation of the captive. The next Venus' aspect is a trine with Saturn, ruler of H4 of homeland. Obviously, Toni will be back home soon!

And what does the Moon, his co-significator, say? It's also in its own sign (Cancer), confirming the indications that the missing person is alive and well. The Moon's placement in H9 is very appropriate, since Toni was abroad. Interestingly, the Moon is also OOB – often the case when the missing person is abroad (beyond his country's borders). It applies to a square with Mercury, which rules H9 and H12. The combined signature of both houses could be encapsulated by “a prison in a foreign country”. Since the Moon has not yet reached the square with Mercury, he was probably still in prison at the moment of the question, but this aspect could also point to his close encounter with a lawyer, as H9 also stands for advocacy.

But I was sure that Toni would be freed soon. The aforementioned positive indications are supported by the fact that the next Moon's aspect (after a square with Mercury) would be a sextile with the Sun which is placed in H11 and rules it. As this is the most fortunate house, it's obvious that his desire would be fulfilled. Another positive indicator is Jupiter (the hour ruler) in conjunction with fortuna in H10. The chart therefore clearly indicates that all is well with Toni and that he would be happily back home soon.

When? The Moon is in a cardinal sign and in an (albeit loose) conjunction with MC, so those could be days? There are 4 degrees separating the Moon and the Sun, so maybe 4 days? That's quite possible, as Venus' trine to a retrograde Uranus promises a quick and unexpected return, especially since Uranus is placed in a fortunate H5. Obviously, that'll be a pleasant surprise!

Thus it was. News came soon that Toni sent an email to his family “over the weekend” - which could be 6, 7 or 8 September – four or five days after the question. “Fortunate news” is properly described by the aforementioned conjunction of Jupiter, the ruler of H3 of communication, with fortuna in H10. He wrote that he had been imprisoned in Pakistan for the last four months, because his visa expired and he forgot to prolong it, but now that was settled and he was finally coming back home.

The locational chart for this example is shown on p. 342. I have included only the Venus (Toni's significator) local space line which runs exactly across Pakistan. An interesting “coincidence”, don't you agree?

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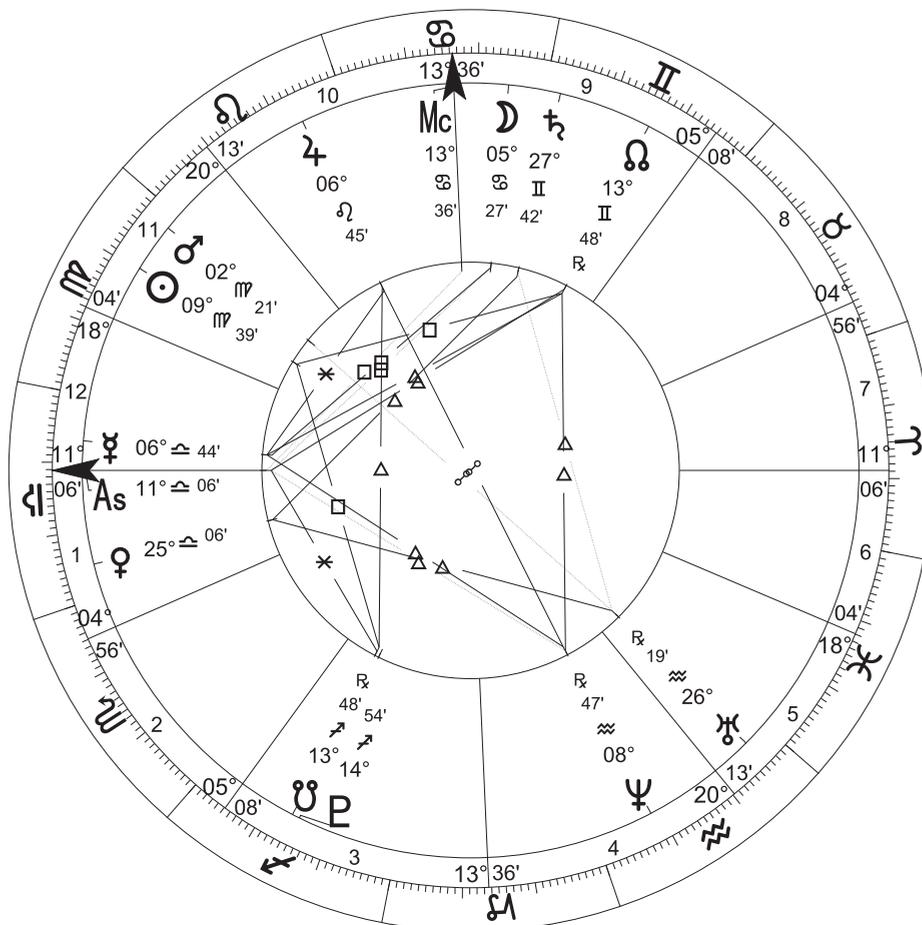
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12	♂ ♀

MUT. RECEPTIONS

♃ ♀	Ruler-Exalt
♃ ♀	Ruler-Trip
♃ ♀	Term-Face



NEAREST ECLIPSES (NM/FM)

☽ ♄	26 May 2002	13:51	05° ♄03	Appulse	S111
☾ ☽	11 Jun 2002	01:46	19° ♀54	Annular	S137
☽ ♄	24 Jun 2002	23:42	03° ♃11	Appulse	S149
☽ ♃	20 Nov 2002	03:33	27° ♃32	Appulse	S116
☾ ☽	4 Dec 2002	09:34	11° ♄58	Total	S142

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☽	05° ♄27'32"	+13°09'	+25°11'	-	-	-	-	Slow	24° ♀32	24° ♄32
☾	09° ♀39'23"	+58°05'	+07°56'	-	-	-	-	Slow	20° ♀20	20° ♄20
♀	06° ♄44	+54°55'	-04°57'	-85 days	+12 days	01° ♀21'15"	13° ♄14'39"	Slow	23° ♃15	23° ♀15
♂	25° ♄06	+52°11'	-12°32'	-500 days	+38 days	01° ♀27'23"	15° ♀36'34"	Slow	04° ♃53	04° ♀53
♄	02° ♀21	+38°10'	+11°42'	-409 days	+330 days	15° ♄06'29"	10° ♃08'01"	Fast	27° ♀38	27° ♄38
♃	06° ♀45	+12°12'	+18°57'	-184 days	+93 days	05° ♄37'24"	18° ♀06'16"	Fast	23° ♃14	23° ♀14
♂	27° ♀42	+04°02'	+22°08'	-206 days	+39 days	08° ♀01'53"	29° ♀05'06"	Fast	02° ♄17	02° ♃17

MOON ASPECTS

☽ ♄	5°27' S
☽ ♃	3°07' S
☽ ♀	1°21' A
☽ ☽	4°12' A

ESSENTIAL DIGNITIES

Pt	Ruler	Exalt	Trip	Term	Face	Detri	Fall	Score
☽	♃ +	♃	♂	♄	♂	♂	♄	+5
☾	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂ +	♃	♂	+1
♀	♂	♂	♂	♂ +	♂	♂	♂	+2
♂	♂ +	♂	♂	♂ +	♃	♂	♂	+7
♄	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	♂	-5 p
♃	♂	--	♂	♂	♂	♂	--	-5 p
♂	♂	--	♂ +	♂ +	♂	♂	--	+5

ASPECTS

♀ ♄	0°01' S
♀ ♃	1°07' A
♂ ♃	1°20' S
☽ ♀	1°21' A
♀ ♄	2°00' A
♃ ♄	2°04' A
♀ ♄	2°19' S
As ♄	2°30' S
♂ ♄	2°41' S
♀ ♄	2°41' S

PLANETARY SECT

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☾	N	D	N	
♀	N	D	D	Ex Cond
♂	N	D	N	
♄	N	D	N	
♃	D	D	D	In Hayz
♂	D	D	D	In Hayz

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11/4: WILL TONY CONSTRUCT OUR FIREPLACE?

2 October 2008 at 10:34 a.m., Ljubljana, Slovenia

Hour ruler: Venus

In the autumn of 2007, I made a mistake: I bought a fireplace stove on a Mercury retrograde day. That was a big, heavy and awkward thing which only four strong men could lift and carry for a few inches at a time. Because we planned to construct the fireplace in the winter, we let it stay on the trailer, parked in the front yard, until the workers arrived and could carry it into the house. It turned out that the fireplace was not constructed during that winter because we couldn't find a suitable craftsman, so the stove remained stuck on the trailer. We diligently avoided it all year long, until the autumn of 2008 when the new heating season started. We had been negotiating the works with a certain craftsman, let's call him Tony, since the previous season. He promised he'd start working in the summer, but when summer arrived he had all kinds of excuses: once he was on leave, then he was sick, or too busy, or his coworker fell ill, or he was off on another leave, until (already late in the autumn) he was supposed to be confined to bed with severe pneumonia. I'll call you in 2 weeks, he said. He didn't, but I did, only to hear a new excuse. OK, I said, if he can't say directly that he won't do the job, let's give him the opportunity to apologize through a friend - the one who recommended him. So I called this guy and said, can you please check whether Tony is really ill, or is he just fooling us? He did and assured me that Tony would soon come to work for us - it's been settled, he said. But I somehow no longer believed his promises and therefore raised the above question.

Tony is shown by Mars, the ruler of H6, placed in H12 (secrecy, resignation, powerlessness), in detriment and void-of-course, suggesting that "nothing comes of the matter". Checking the Sun, almuten of H6, we find it in Libra, again in detriment and in an applying square with Jupiter, the ruler of H4 (our home), without reception. Since Mars also rules myself, we should find some connection between the Moon (course of events), Mars and Jupiter (or the Sun) for a positive answer, but there is none. The answer is therefore a clear NO, and this is confirmed by an inharmonious planetary hour ruler (Venus).

And so it was: Tony never called again.

The poor state of Mars also reflects my own worry and hopelessness, of course, but you'll notice that Mars is in a strong mutual reception with Venus (by domicile) which indicates that I have a choice, and actually shows a way out. If we mutually exchange Mars' and Venus' placements, we can imagine Mars at 10 degrees Scorpio applying by sextile to Jupiter (our home) and Saturn (natural significator of construction). It is clear that we'll find another worker! This is confirmed by the Moon translating light from Jupiter to Saturn.

And we did find him, in about a month. He was a capable craftsman who carried out the works to our utmost satisfaction. The time which had passed until our meeting is reflected by two chart factors: the Moon needs one degree (one month) to a sextile with Saturn, and 4 degrees (4 weeks or one month) to reach the ascendant. Saturn is in the detriment of Jupiter, but it receives Jupiter in its domicile, while Jupiter applies to it by trine, with the aspect being supported by the translation of light, so there's a good and strong connection between the planets which clearly reflects the harmonious development of the situation.

It is also interesting that the hour ruler is Venus - exactly the planet which represents the second craftsman, for the reasons already stated (mutual reception with Mars). The hour ruler is disharmonious which in this case contributed to a negative answer, but it also helps to understand the final result.

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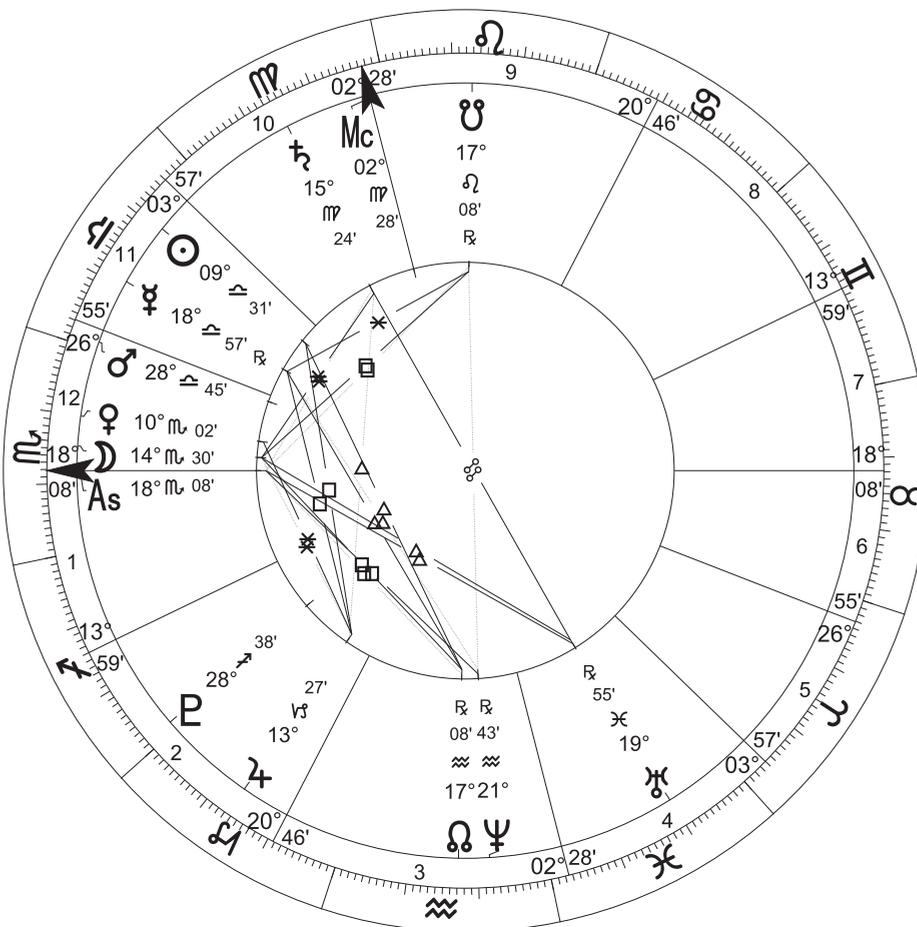
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12	♀ ♃

MUT. RECEPTIONS

♀	♂	Ruler-Ruler
♃	♀	Ruler-Exalt
♃	♀	Ruler-Trip
☉	♀	Ruler-Face
♃	♀	Ruler-Face
♀	♃	Exalt-Exalt



NEAREST ECLIPSES (NM/FM)

☉	♂	1 Aug 2008	12:12	09°♂31	Total	S126
☾	♂	16 Aug 2008	23:16	24°♃21	Partial	S138
☉	♂	26 Jan 2009	09:55	06°♃29	Annular	S131
☾	♂	9 Feb 2009	16:49	20°♂59	Appulse	S143

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☉	09°♃31'19"	+59°03"	-03°46'	-	-	-	-	Slow	20°♃28	20°♃28
♀	18°♃57' ♃	-57°15"	-10°23'	-8,1 days	+13 days	22°♃50'10"	07°♃33'57"	Retro	11°♃02	11°♃02
♀	10°♃02	+01°13'	-15°03'	-389 days	+155 days	16°♂35'27"	15°♃27'27"	Fast	19°♃57	19°♂57
♂	28°♃45	+40°26"	-10°52'	-245 days	+444 days	24°♂04'39"	19°♂41'42"	Fast	01°♃14	01°♃14
♃	13°♃27	+04°29"	-23°05'	-24 days	+255 days	12°♃32'00"	27°♃01'03"	Slow	16°♃32	16°♂32
♃	15°♃24	+07°07"	+07°19'	-152 days	+90 days	01°♃40'47"	21°♃46'00"	Fast	14°♃35	14°♃35

MOON ASPECTS

☾	♂	♃	14°30' S
☾	♂	♃	0°57' S
☾	♂	♃	0°34' A
☾	♂	♃	2°37' A
☾	♂	♃	2°37' A
☾	♂	♃	5°10' A
☾	♂	♃	7°09' A

ESSENTIAL DIGNITIES

Pt	Ruler	Exalt	Trip	Term	Face	Detri	Fall	Score
☾	♂	--	♀	♀	♂	♂	♂	-9 p
☉	♀	♃	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	-9 p
♀	♀	♃	m	♃	♃	♂	♂	-1 p
♀	♂	m	--	♀	♂	♂	♂	+5
♂	♀	m	♃	♃	♂	♂	♂	+2
♃	♃	♂	m	♀	♂	♂	♂	-2
♃	♀	♂	m	♀	♂	♂	♂	-1 p

ASPECTS

☾	♂	♂	0°02' A
☾	♂	♃	0°34' A
☾	♂	♃	0°57' S
☾	♂	♃	2°37' S
☾	♂	♃	5°10' S
☾	♂	♃	7°09' S
☾	♂	♃	1°00' S
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☾	♂	♃	1°46' S
☾	♂	♃	1°51' A
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PLANETARY SECT

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