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## Editor's Notes

Welcome to our fourth online issue. To read online, just 'click' on the relevant entry to view the article.

**Please note that pages 6 onwards are only available to members of the Astrological Psychology Association, who must be logged in to view them.**

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## A Blooming Miracle

Notes from the 11th House by Joyce Hopewell

I recently went on a Nature Trail in the Chihuahuan Desert which straddles the border between the USA and Mexico. I like deserts and other similar stark, “back to the basics of nature” kind of places, such as volcanic Iceland and the huge unspoiled wilderness in the far north of Scotland. Places like this remind me at first hand of the four basic elements of fire, earth, air and water which are essential building blocks in all areas of life, including astrology.

Following recent heavy rains, the desert and the surrounding area was in full bloom. Water had arrived. Prickly pear cacti showed a riot of exotic flowers in colours ranging from creamy white, yellow, pale and dark pink to bright scarlet and deep purple. Giant yucca, some of them 20 feet high, bore huge plumes of stunning white blooms. Everywhere ocotillos were bursting forth, their flowers like a burning red hot poker on top of a tall stalk covered in tiny bright green leaves. The earth, dry and dormant, had been awakened. The desert was not brown at all, but a vibrant green. In bloom it looked – and was – a miracle.

The air was hot and dry by day, and sometimes windy. The fire of the sun was fierce. This wasn't a place to hang about in for long in full sunlight, but some areas along the Nature Trail were pleasantly shaded by trees, nourished by the underground springs which had been replenished. At night the air was clear and cool, and the colourful, spectacular sunsets gave way to starry skies. Picking out the



### “The Desert in Bloom” by Maylis Curie

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constellations was quite easy – and I had a bit of fun trying out a borrowed iphone with stargazer “app” to do this!

It's all too easy to take the four basic elements for granted. In astrology, we can sometimes overlook them and neglect them, or forget to pay attention to them. Coming new to the subject we are perhaps more aware of them as we learn about the elements in the context of the 12 signs of the zodiac – fiery Aries, earthy Taurus, airy Gemini, watery Cancer and so on. But the elements are an essential part of everyday life and are present all the time, wherever we are. Seeing the desert in bloom made me look at this miracle of colourful flowers, and think how the four elements interact. They and we are interdependent, along with other life forms of all kinds. We are all inextricably bound together, and that in itself is also a miracle.

## CONGRATULATIONS!



The following students have successfully completed their studies:

### API (UK) Intermediate Foundation Certificate

Natalia Kahlau

Martin Hristov (Bulgaria)

## APA News

### Local London Group

The London Astrology Group meets monthly in Battersea for three hours on a Saturday afternoon to consider various aspects of psychological and esoteric astrology. The next meeting on 31 July will cover "Global Transformations: cosmic influences; evolution of humanity; astrological influences". We will explore the philosophies of Dane Rudhyar and Teilhard de Chardin, the treatises of Alice A Bailey dictated by The Tibetan and predictions for 2012. Information on future meetings is on the website [www.astrologicalpsychology.org](http://www.astrologicalpsychology.org) under "Local Groups". If you would like to attend please contact [suelewis7@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:suelewis7@tiscali.co.uk).

### APAI

The Association of Professional Astrologers International (APAI) held its AGM and Open Day on Saturday 17 April 2010 at the Essex Unitarian Church in London W8. After a 15-minute AGM we had three interesting lectures. Deike Begg talked about Childhood, the Moon and planets veiled by the Moon, Bernadette Brady gave us some Mesopotamian mythology and urged us to go out and look at the skies, and Michael Harding discussed the impact of Nietzsche on philosophy and psychology.

APAI has a new secretary, Jennifer Scott, [astrojennie@aol.com](mailto:astrojennie@aol.com) whom you should contact if you wish to apply for membership. During the past year John Green and Robert Anderson (Treasurer) have developed a new logo and revamped the website where Diploma holders can advertise.



APAI will be holding a Technology Day on Saturday 6 November 2010 at Friends' Meeting House, Euston, London NW1. Next year's AGM will be on Saturday 7 May 2011 and they are already lining up speakers.

[www.professionalastrologers.co.uk](http://www.professionalastrologers.co.uk)

#### Reminder: Kathy Rogers at AA Conference

Kathy Rogers is speaking on: 'Our inner motivation: the aspect patterns of Huber Astrology' at the Astrological Association conference at Wyboston Lakes Conference Centre, near Cambridge, from 17th to 19th September.

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### Astrological Psychology and Universities

The Sophia Centre for the Study of Cosmology in Culture, based at the University of Wales, Lampeter, is holding a conference, "Astrologies", on 24/25 July at the Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institute, 16-19 Queen Square, Bath BA1 2HN. APA student Karen Rowlinson has been awarded a bursary to attend.

The University of Bristol's conference, "Imagining Astrology: Painted Schemes and Threads of the Soul", due to take place in April when flights were grounded by volcanic ash, has been rescheduled for 10/11 July.

A symposium on "Emotions and Health 1200-1700" is being held at Queen Mary, University of London, on 26 June – an appropriate date for a seminar on healing when the full Moon eclipse in Capricorn conjunct Pluto squares Jupiter/Uranus in Aries opposition Saturn at the end of Virgo.

We hope to include relevant reports of these conferences in the next issue of *Conjunction*.

The MA programme in cosmology and divination at the University of Kent at Canterbury is being discontinued in its current form. Angela Voss and Geoffrey Cornelius will work on a new distance learning project with Phoenix Rising and are making every effort to keep their work alive at Kent. As expressed by Angela, "We believe that the splitting of rational discourse from its roots in a metaphysical understanding needs to be resisted, and that the power of the symbol to turn the soul to its own good – the experiential dimension of both the arts and divination – is not at odds with education, but at the foundation of true learning." Insofar as this programme aims to synthesise the rational and the symbolic, bridging purely academic and hands-on experiential work it is important initiative.

The MA in Western Esotericism, taught by distance learning at the University of Exeter is alive and well. A report on that will appear in one of next year's editions of *Conjunction*.

Sue Lewis

#### Talk to Buckingham Astrology Group

On Tuesday 13 July Sue Lewis is giving a talk to Buckingham Astrology Group on "The Aspect Structure is the Key to Inner Motivation. Presentation of the method of interpretation using aspect patterns developed by Bruno and Louise Huber, with example charts of well-known personalities and an opportunity to see how your own chart looks using Huber aspect orbs."

## Joyce's Blog, the Low Point and the Nodal Age Point

Written by Joyce Hopewell

On 4th March, my astrological chart interpretations blog – <http://joycehopewell.blogspot.com> – was 4 years old. It started life with a dual purpose: to share something of the Huber Method of Astrological Psychology to a wider audience and to keep my astrological interpretation skills oiled and honed. In addition, it offered a discipline and structure (there goes my Saturn talking!) within which I could practise my writing skills.

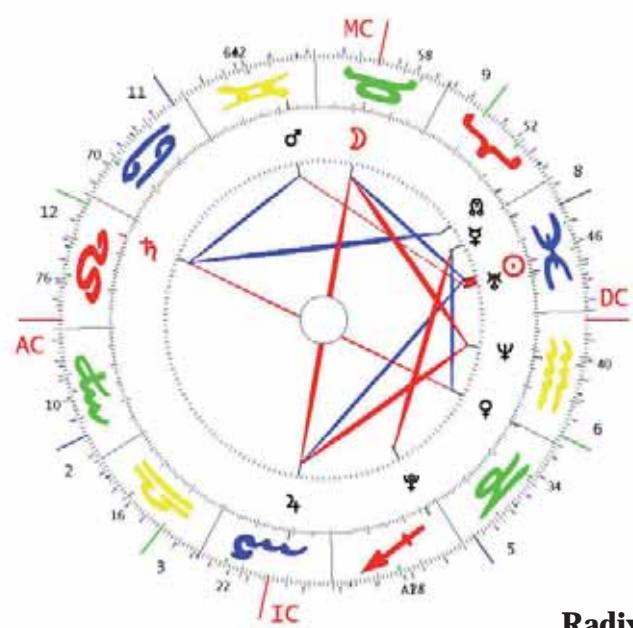
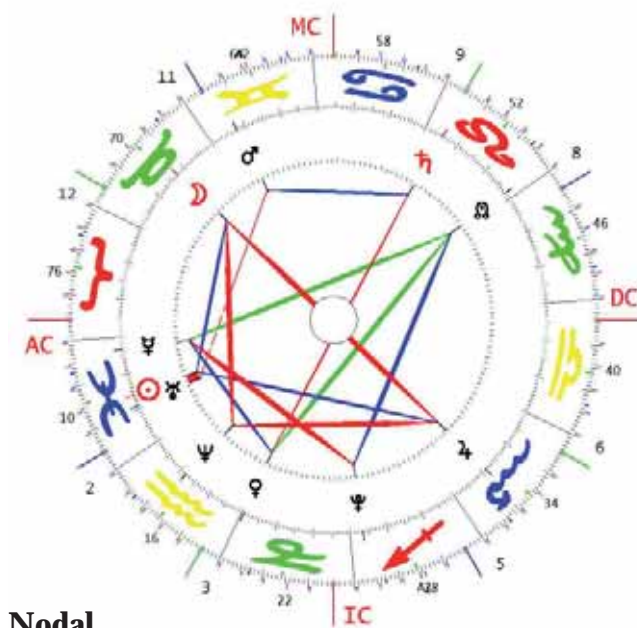
I started writing it when blogs were very much the in thing; over the past few years they have perhaps become less “flavour of the moment” as Facebook and Twitter have moved to the forefront. However, my blog has proved to be very well read throughout the world, fulfilling my intention of spreading the word about APA and astrological psychology. It's also attracted some new students along the way and it provides a resource for students, members and other interested readers as well.

I didn't elect the time and date to begin the blog; it happened when the time felt right for me. The chart didn't exactly delight me, as it has no green aspects, but it also has redeeming features, like Sun conjunct Uranus in the 7th house – not bad for an astrological blog! Ah, you might say, having noticed that the Sun is on the Low Point of this house, that's not so good is it? Well, I'm a great believer in working with what is and facing up to the challenges as they come along. I could have deleted the blog and waited for a more auspicious moment to launch it, but that would have dampened my initial enthusiasm to get it started, so I went with the moment that felt right.

Four years on, 158 blog postings later, and with thousands of hits worldwide, I know it was the right thing to do. But there is a time for everything and of late I've started to feel it's time to move on from making regular postings on my blog. I was well aware that crossing the LP in the 1st house was a probable reason for this; the LP is a time to look inward, to connect with different energies and inspirations in order to move forward in new directions. A look at the blog's chart (below) also threw some interesting light on the matter. Whilst the natal AP is on the LP and making an opposition to the Sun, the AP in the node chart is conjunct the Sun/Uranus conjunction in 7th. The nodal AP conjunct a planet or planets can be experienced as a nudge and a wake up call to look at, and use, these planets. As I see it, this points – appropriately! – to astrology yet again, but also to a change of mode and method. I shall continue to write, but not very often for the blog. I need time and space to be creative in other directions and the LP pulls me towards looking at other ways of doing this. Some possibilities are already taking shape, so watch this space!

In the meantime, the blog will stay accessible to all who want to read it, as a means of telling people interested in astrology about the work we do, the courses we offer and the way we look at charts, but also as a resource for students to use if it is helpful for them.

**Joyce's Blog** 4.3.2006. 16.14, Knutsford, UK



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