

ORIGINS OF ASTROLOGY

MINI-COURSE

THE 3 KEYS OF LIVING ASTROLOGY

1ST KEY: STORY & MYTHS

Life is a story and each one of us tells our own version and yet, the setting for every life story takes place on this beautiful planet (as far as we know). Myths are stories that have been passed down through time, told over and over again, reaching deep into the collective story of humanity, and this is why these great and often ancient tales can hold so much wisdom for us.

Astrology holds so many stories and myths for us within its well of wisdom. The beauty of stories is that we learn from them in a way that can pierce beyond the mental understanding of information. They include a living aspect within them, oftentimes having a setting, characters, thoughts, emotions, actions, a movement through time with a beginning, middle, and end and usually a few secret meanings or messages.

Stories engage us and have the ability to connect dots and show relationships between different characters or forces.

The birth of Living Astrology happened through receiving from nature the three core stories of the signs, planets, and houses. At first the stories were very simple, and yet each time I would tell them they grew, and with each passing of the seasons as I live and walk with these stories, each experience and piece of wisdom that I find feeds back into these stories.

Applying the power of story and myth to your astrological journey deepens your comprehension and even your ability to memorize or call upon the many teachings and aspects of astrology.

Instead of memorizing all of the information the story will be a vessel that can hold it all for you. Stories hold knowledge and teachings at the same time and as you grow they grow - they are a form of living wisdom.

So the first Key of Living astrology opens the door into the world of Myth & Story, but within that space there is another secret doorway...

2ND KEY: LIVING PATTERNS

The Living Astrology stories were found and observed in nature. If you throw out all of the descriptions, interpretations, and symbols in astrology you are left with its very essence... patterns and cycles. But if you were to instead throw out the patterns and cycles, you would be left with nothing but a bunch of opinions and meaningless interpretations.

Nature is the ground and proof to astrology that gives us substance and tangible interpretations to work with when sharing our stories and wisdom.

We see it through the large pattern and cycle of the year marked by the equinoxes and solstices, the cyclical dance of all the planets within our solar system, and the daily cycle of the Earth rotating on its axis.

When we turn our attention to nature, we begin to notice these patterns all around us: the way the seasons move, the way the elements express themselves in unique ways each, and every moment

of our lives. How does the wind interact with the water, the Sun with the Earth, the Moon and the tides, the cycles of the plants and animals? These patterns and expressions in nature are mirrored in every part of our human nature, and as beings born from nature we, too, have our own growth cycles, emotional rhythms, thought process, and so on.

Not only are we built by these patterns, but our unique consciousness has the ability to recognize these patterns and co-create with them. It is because of this that what we know as astrology exists in the first place.

Combining the art of story and myth with the living patterns of creation to astrology are what lead us to the 3rd secret doorway of living astrology...

3RD KEY: LEARNING BY HEART

The third and most important Key exists within the human heart, and that key unlocks a door found deep in the heart of nature opening up to the infinite wisdom of the cosmos.

Don't get me wrong - I love my astrology books and have learned so much from them. They filled me with the questions and wonder that inspired me along my journey. But just like anything in life, knowledge can only take you so far. If it is wisdom you seek you must earn it, experience it, see it for yourself - you must live it to find your truth.

Knowledge is food for the mind, as wisdom is food for the heart and soul.

On the living astrology path, the goal is to learn astrology by heart, to experience the truth of it, to make a relationship with its many parts.

*By learning in this way the potentials of astrology come to life and we start to see that the larger goal is to learn **from** astrology... not just about it.*