

Ancient Astrology System Pinpoints Productive Periods

/EINPresswire.com/ Chicago, Ill., May 3 Study any group of famous people and you'll invariably find the so-called early or late bloomers who either begin life or end it with a flurry.

For example, Albert Einstein came up with his world-changing Theory of Relativity before his 27th birthday. But career success and visibility didn't arrive for master chef and television personality Julia Child until much later in life.

Astrologer Edith Hathaway says a system of astrology based on methods from seers or "enlightened beings" in ancient India gives modern astrologers a predictive tool – the Dasha systems – that can be used to determine which planetary influences will be most pronounced, for better or worse, at different times in an individual's life.

Hathaway is author of *In Search of Destiny: Biography, History & Culture As Told Through Vedic Astrology*. In her book she provides more than 30 biographical studies of individuals whose careers sequentially peaked at different times based on planetary periods unfolding from their moment of birth.

She says there are more than 55 different Dasha systems in the ancient Vedic astrology system. The most important of these is called the Vimshottari Dasha, or 120-year cycle.

The 120-year Vimshottari Dasha assigns a specific number of years to the sun, moon and the five planets visible from earth with the naked eye. Also included in the sequence are the moon's north and south nodes, known as Rahu and Ketu in the Vedic system.

The nodes are sensitive astronomical points defined by the moon's orbit around the earth.

"The order or sequence for the planets comes from the rishis, or ancient seers, as do the number of years assigned to each," Hathaway explains.

The same planetary sequence is repeated with smaller time increments during the sub-periods. How the period of the featured planet plays out depends greatly on its original placement in the individual's birth chart – where the planet was situated in the heavens at the moment of birth.

For example, Albert Einstein was born in 1879 and died 76 years later in 1955. From his Vimshottari Dasha sequence it would be apparent to Vedic astrologers that by far the most creative years of his life would occur during the 20-year Venus Dasha when the planet Venus was most involved in shaping his individual destiny. This Dasha began in December 1895 and ended in December 1915.

It would also be apparent that major recognition most likely would come during the following 6-year Sun Dasha, when the sun's energy was most pronounced. For Einstein this period ended on December 14, 1921.

In March 1914 Einstein became Director of Physics at the prestigious Kaiser Wilhelm Institute in

Berlin. He received the 1921 Nobel Prize in Physics for work he had done in 1905-06 during his so-called "Annus Mirabilis" or miracle year, when he was an unknown 26- year old.

Though he was revered and recognized for the rest of his life, all of his scientific work after this 26-year period (December 1895 to December 1921) is considered to be of less importance, Hathaway says.

Julia Child was on a much different timetable. She was born in 1912 and died in 2004, but at age 49 her long public career as America's most renowned expert on French cuisine was only just beginning.

A significant 16-year Jupiter Dasha between April 1941 and April 1957 found planet Jupiter asserting its influence. This period brought her foreign travel and residence and her first meeting with husband Paul Child, a career diplomat in the Foreign Service.

Child began testing and collecting recipes for her now famous cookbook during this period. But her career remained in the shadows until her Saturn Dasha, the next planetary period in the sequence dominated by Saturn.

Hathaway says this 19-year period began in April 1957 and held sway through April 1976.

"Saturn's results do not come to fruition quickly. However, after some initial delays and setbacks, Alfred A. Knopf published Child's 734-page cookbook in 1961, an event that coincided with the couple's return to the U.S.," she said.

Child's television series began in February 1963 and went on to become the longest running program in the history of public television. Child continued to do the program until shortly before her death at age 92.

Hathaway says the Dasha system produces valuable insights for the famous and not-so-famous alike.

"If the most auspicious Dashas occur early in life it's sometimes difficult for a person to accept what comes next. If they come later in life the challenge is to not lose faith that one's gifts and goals will come to fruition at a later date," she said.

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