

Local Space Astrology – Aligning your Home and Work Space to your Energy

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Have you ever wondered why a person is drawn to one room in a house and not another, or why a person chooses a particular seat in a room? The energetic connection indicated in a person's Local Space astrological chart can answer these questions.

A Local Space (LS) chart shows your relationship to the area or building in which you live or work. It is calculated using your birth data—date, time and place — as is a standard birth (natal) chart. However, the LS chart is based on where you currently live or work, not where you were born.

An LS chart shows the exact degrees of the planets around a 360-degree wheel but without house cusps and signs. Instead, the planets are aligned by compass direction (north, south, east or west), as are maps. Lines are drawn through the wheel's center to the planet's location, so that the planetary placements become directional pointers.

Once you have your LS chart, it can be copied onto a transparency and placed over a floor plan of a house or office. Place the center of the chart over the center of the building and align them both directionally. To illustrate, included with this article is a copy of the layout of my home with my LS chart super-imposed over the floor plan. The chart shows the planets' locations in relationship to the building, and, therefore, the energy/function/activity associated with the planets that would flourish in those locations.

For example, the Moon in a person's chart relates to food, cooking, and nurturing; so it would make sense that the cook's Moon line would align with the

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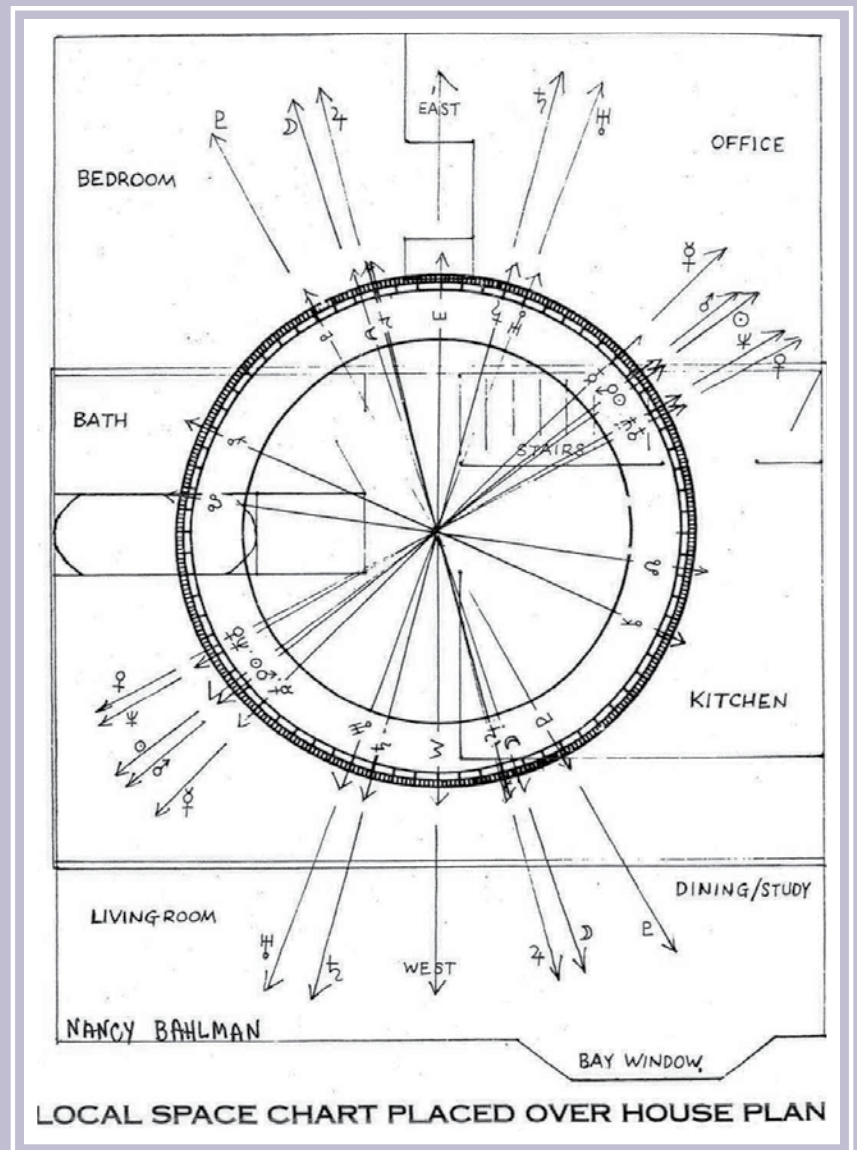
kitchen. The Sun relates to performing, self-expression, and visibility—where a person “shines”; so the Sun area might align with a person's special chair, study, or area where one would practice a talent.

In addition to the Moon and Sun, there are eight planets in any astrological chart. Each of these also relates to particular energies or functions:

- Mercury relates to information, writing, speaking, learning, and working with hands; so the Mercury line would be a good area for a phone, desk, or office, as well as where a massage therapist could work on clients.
- Venus is the social planet and relates to beauty, culture, and comfort; so the Venus line would be an area to entertain friends, put on makeup, or work on crafts.
- Mars is the planet of energy, exercise, and working with tools; so the Mars line would be an effective area for your exercise equipment or work bench.
- Jupiter is the planet of fun, nature, pets, education, religion, and public relations; so the Jupiter line would be a place for games, pets, prayer or developing marketing campaigns.
- Saturn is the planet of career, organizing, and management; so the Saturn area would be perfect for an office or place for planning, keeping files, and completing tasks.
- Uranus is the planet of friends and associates as well as technology and electronics; so the Uranus line is a place for the computer and other electronic equipment.
- Neptune is the planet of intuition, sleep, meditation, music, and creative writing; so you could happily pursue any of these activities on the Neptune line.
- Pluto is the planet of control, passion, and elimination and so relates to research, therapy, and sex, as well as being a good location for garbage or toilets.

The LS chart also can be used to determine the energy in an individual room. Find the center of the room on a floor plan and then place the center of the LS chart over it. Several years ago, a psychic development group was meeting in the living room of my home. I noticed that each person chose the same seat each week. I ran the LS charts for all of the participants and found that they were each instinctively sitting on their Neptune (meditation) line!

LS charts also can be placed on a map of one's city or county. Planetary lines in the LS chart can be extended beyond the house to the surrounding area, to assist in choosing a gym, grocery store, bank, etc., based on the directional energy of the planets in your chart.



An LS chart can also be created for a business, in order to energetically choose the best locations of various business functions within the building. I'm often asked if Local Space is the same as Feng Shui, and the answer is “no,” but both can enhance the energetic use of space. Feng Shui deals with characteristics of the compass directions, while Local Space focuses on the functions of the planets.

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