4 GATES: in the mandala tradition the four points are four "gates"...

FOUR GATES and CENTER

East: fire gate: continuity of embodying consciousness **North**: water gate: lineage

West: air gate: relation,

transformation

South: earth gate: manifest

world

Center: Ether, still point,

witness

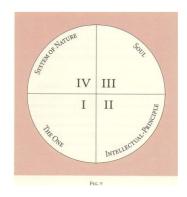




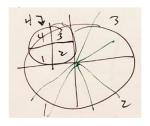
[Chakrasamvara Mandala c.1100]

ANTHONY: three levels or contexts of the four-fold mandala: SEE PPT

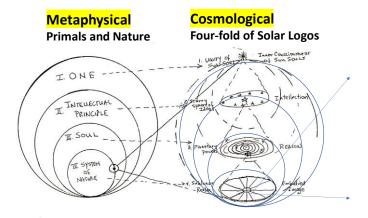
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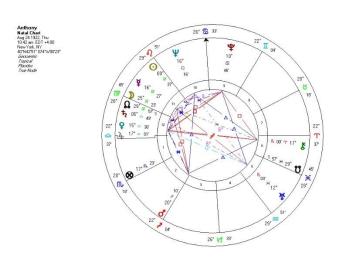
Cosmic Fourfold within the fourth quadrant

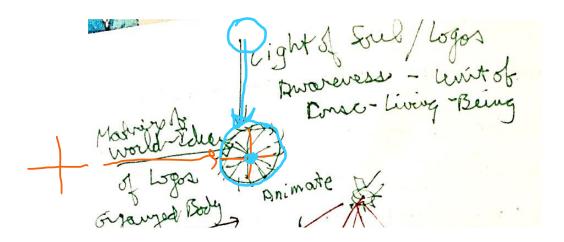


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EARTH—NATAL—"Light of Soul meets Organized Body

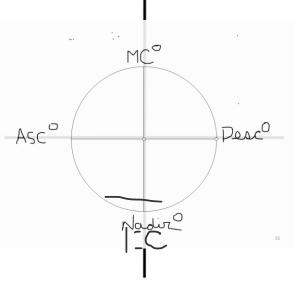




CROSS: I AM HERE

EARTH GATE

The view from the top of the mountain The branches The name we are given by the world



FIRE GATE

The view of self as "all"

AT ONE
the spirit of life
the witness

WATER GATE

The view of self as undifferentiated, wide and evolving, the source, the roots The place we hold with ancestry

AIR GATE

Relationship Measure balance The place that perpetually

summons beauty and shadow: "what makes the jukebox spin"

FIRE GATE : Ascendent ASC—left point—ruled by Aries

ASC. consciousness appearing as a person... who do you think you are? Who do you know deeply I Am? **Individual, intimate being**:

view of self as consciousness appearing as a person: the spirit of life, *the I-SEED*

who you are coming into this world-- so intimate we don't even recognize it

view of entire life-- there before we are here as person

Q: how to come to awareness of, and oneness with, my true being?

WATER GATE: Nadir IC —bottom point—ruled by cancer

IC: what is the **vast matrix** that brought me here: womb that **nourishes** me from within ... **Inner Inter-being**:

The view of self, as undifferentiated, wide and evolving, the source, **the ROOTS**, the place we hold with ancestry. Q: who is your tribe?: Where are you at home? Where is your home? Inner ideas of what you are-- source of emotional and ideational being family we were born into: we ask why were you born into this family? what ideas did you get from this family

AIR GATE: Descendent DESC -- right point ruled by Libra

DESC: how do i negotiate with what/who i relate: others on the **dance** floor... windows and mirrors... attract and repel ... Loving, intimate Being:

Relationship, balance, the place that perpetually summon beauty and shadow what makes the jukebox spin; outer who we are in relation to other consciousness appearing as a person. the way the ascendent, the person we take ourselves to be, is displayed to others

We live from ASC, it radiates to the DESC: the **growth and inter-being. FLOWERING** -- it's so familiar but *others can see it more that we can*.

Q: how to perceive through eyes of love, joy, peace, compassion: in pairs.

EARTH GATE: midheaven MC—top point... South... ruled by Capricorn

MC: what is my **place** in the world, where do my branches extend into the world, and where does the world support me? **Outer inter-being:**

The view from the top of the mountain, perspective of earth: the BRANCHES, the name we are given by the world; our place in the world... outer image of what we are.

Q: how to appreciate powers of 10: you are something whole universe is doing.

Four modes of Awake Awareness: Loch Kelley Mahamudra

Local Awareness... how we move into the others... dynamic ... direct access... when it is unhooked from identification with local limited person.

Presence: awake **awareness embodied**... our bodies are an expression of AA... waves of ocean... every cell ...

Open hearted awareness... interrelation with all things... creative and related... love, joy, peace, compassion... four immeasurable qualities.

Spacious awareness... ground of being... nature of mind... open... pervasive

Alchemy: The Axiom of Maria:

One becomes a 2; which becomes a 3; which becomes a 4; which is a One.

Shamanic View: Alberto Villoldo,

Serpent is physical perception, physical realm... guardian of tree... and awakening... learn to heal emotions. (science and religion) **MC**

Jaguar fire ceremony... emotion... feeling perception... bridge beyond life and death... to sacred... learn to die to your old belief systems. Die before you die. Ayawaska is the vine of death. Mean-ing: Bridge of Implicate order, the akasic field... to explicit, physical... Awakening wisdom that lets you tap into the akasic field... the matrix... direct... joyous wisdom. (reason) **DESC**

Hummingbird: the sacred perception: they migrate. They say yes... *no expectation*... the heroic journey... feed from the nector... rather than working on dung pile... Die to all you thought reality was... "my eyes have been opened."... (Intuitive) **IC**

Eagle view: visionary; energetic. Spiritual perspective. Why did you come here? What did you come here to learn, to offer. To be a visionary, create worlds. Your eternal nature (divine idea). Co-creating with spirit. **ASC**

Of Water And Spirit Malidoma Some

ritual before birth: knew women become possessed by spirit of unborn child while pregnant: conduct a ceremony before birth: So this way, before birth community knows who is coming: local shaman questions the yet unborn child, and family and ask:

What is their name? Asc:

They spoke spirit name, birth, ascendant origin, Utopia everywhere, nowhere the light, the I am principle

Why are they coming to the tribe? Nadir:

the ancestry, the roots always present, what nourishes us from source, the gathering of wisdom, the spiral of biography

How can I help? Desc.

allies to mirrors and windows: how we look outside, relationships, psyche back and forth psychology

How can we support growth? What does it need? MC:

branches, life purpose finally, the here and now. How the world is concretized, sensation of being embodied being here the name you're given by Earth, life directions