

Sri Lanka Astrology Sinhala Horoscope Reading

A free ebook version of this title is available through Luminos, University of California Press's Open Access publishing program. Visit www.luminosoa.org to learn more. The study of South Asian music falls under the purview of ethnomusicology, whereas that of South Asian literature falls under South Asian studies. As a consequence of this academic separation, scholars rarely take notice of connections between South Asian song and poetry. Modernizing Composition overcomes this disciplinary fragmentation by examining the history of Sinhala-language song and poetry in twentieth-century Sri Lanka. Garrett Field describes how songwriters and poets modernized song and poetry in response to colonial and postcolonial formations. The story of this modernization is significant in that it shifts focus from India's relationship to the West to little-studied connections between Sri Lanka and North India.

The Lal Kitab, a rare book in urdu, was popular in north-west India, Pakistan, Iran and many other countries. This English version has added new dimensions to make it more lucid and easier to understand.

The Book Analyzes The Kinship System Of A Major Human Society That Possesses An Ancient, Literate Civilization And A Tradition Of Analytical Thought.

Excerpts of author's papers originally published in various serials of Sri Lanka.

A look behind the scenes of some of India's most critical foreign policy decisions by the country's former foreign secretary and national security adviser. Every country must make choices about foreign policy and national security. Sometimes those choices turn out to have been correct, other times not. In this insider's account, Shivshankar Menon describes some of the most crucial decisions India has faced during his long career in government—and how key personalities often had to make choices based on incomplete information under the pressure of fast-moving events. Menon either participated directly in or was associated with all the major Indian foreign policy decisions he describes in Choices. These include the 2005–08 U.S.–India nuclear agreement; the first-ever boundary-related agreement between India and China; India's decision not to use overt force against Pakistan in response to the 2008 terrorist attacks in Mumbai; the 2009 defeat of the Tamil rebellion in Sri Lanka; and India's disavowal of the first-use of nuclear weapons. Menon examines what these choices reveal about India's strategic culture and decisionmaking, its policies toward the use of force, its long-term goals and priorities, and its future behavior. Choices will be of interest to anyone searching for answers to questions about how one of the world's great, rising powers makes its decisions on the world stage, and the difficult choices that sometimes had to be made.

This is a book no publisher or printer in Sri Lanka wanted to be associated with, fearing for their lives. Their fears are justified. Under the despotic political regime headed by the megalomaniacal Mahinda Rajapaksa, journalists and writers in Sri Lanka who stood up for the truth were brutally murdered, tortured, kidnapped or made to disappear for good. Self-described Buddhists, Mahinda Rajapaksa and his cohorts embraced all that is ugly in his Sinhala-Buddhist toxic political ideology, using and abusing Buddhism to the maximum. With this book, the writer has placed her head on the block and in her words: "I may face the same fate as my late colleagues Lasantha Wickrematunge and Richard de Zoysa, but it's a sacrifice I am ready to make for the sake of future generations of Sri Lanka!"

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"Following the fractured origins and destinies of two brothers named after demigods from the ancient epic the Mahabharata, we meet a family struggling with the reverberations of the past in their lives. These ten interlinked stories redraw the map of our world in surprising ways: following an act of violence, a baby girl is renamed after a Hindu goddess but raised as a Muslim; a lonely butcher from Angola finds solace in a family of refugees in New Jersey; a gentle entomologist, in Sri Lanka, discovers unexpected reserves of courage while searching for his missing son"--Amazon.com.

Bringing together talks by internationally known Buddhist scholars, this collection presents complex Buddhist insights about living a freer life through the principles of the Noble Eightfold Path. Set in the context of Sri Lankan culture, topics include psychological well-being, the basis for ethical living, discerning meaning in this life, and the centrality of meditation. Also featured are ways to respond constructively to global human foibles and explanations of ancient religious practices still current today.

Unlock the mysteries and insights of Indian astrology Vedic astrology--known as Jyotish in its home of India--can be a powerful channel of insights and revelations in your daily

life. But how to unlock this complex tool? Vedic Astrology for Beginners breaks down the core concepts of Vedic astrology, showing you how to analyze your birth chart to better understand your personality, relationships, and life path. Discover the ancient origins of Vedic astrology and its differences from Western astrology. Explore detailed profiles of each planet, zodiac sign, and the other essential elements of a Jyotish natal horoscope. With these foundational steps, you'll gain a better understanding of your physical, emotional, and spiritual experiences--and even begin to anticipate your future. In Vedic Astrology for Beginners, you'll find: Key components--Learn the basic elements of Vedic astrology, including the planets, signs, houses, and lunar mansions--each representing or influencing areas of your life. Chart your birth--Get started on analyzing your birth chart with a primer on the processes of assembly and evaluation, plus an example chart analysis. Astrological resources--Explore a glossary of helpful Sanskrit terms and determine your exact planetary placements with handy calculation charts. Relieve stress and start bringing balance to your life with Vedic Astrology for Beginners.

Asian Medical Systems provide fascinating opportunities to observe directly practices that continue ancient scientific modes of thought, and to analyse the historical processes that mediate their relationship to modern science and technology. Three great traditions of medical science evolved during antiquity in the Chinese, Indian, and Mediterranean civilizations, all based on humoral conceptions of health and illness. Folk curers throughout the world continue to practice humoral medicine, but in Asia along educated physicians maintain its learned traditions. Thus, in these societies the great and little traditions of humoral medicine coexist with cosmopolitan medicine, which draws upon modern science and modes of professional organization. This volume has been designed to show how research on Asian medicine opens a new field of scholarship, the comparative study of medical systems. Such a book requires the skills of authors with many kinds of training, and those who have contributed essays to this volume are trained in history, sociology, anthropology, public health, pharmacology, epidemiology, cosmopolitan medicine, and philosophy.

Astrology and interest in it have been growing at a pace that does justice to the subject as a discipline of great consequence in handling the complexities and ills of human life and existence. Authoritative works on astrology abound in Sanskrit and several of them have been translated into English by scholars. These translations are a great boon to the diligent student and carry innumerable combinations and dicta covering almost all aspects of life. However, the difficulty lies in their actual application to horoscopes where the skills of the astrology student are challenged to the limit. The Art of Prediction in Astrology is a simple guide to the techniques of interpretation of the horoscope. This book teaches how to apply and interpret some important planetary combinations and dicta found in classical works to practical cases. This shows further how to analyse and understand: *Yogas for fame and lasting reputation, renunciation, spiritual realization, tyranny and homicidal tendencies. *Difficult concepts such as the difference between Resi and Bhave, Yamaganda and Yamakantaka, the Moon's role in understanding human psychology and behaviours and the nexus between Rahu-Ketu and schizophrenic tendencies. *Eclipses and how they influence the timing of events. *Solar activity and planetary movements in relation to weather, agricultural crops and tsunamis. *Principles of Muhurta and natal horoscopy in making forecasts on the fall and continuance of governments and how Martian movements can trigger terrorist attacks such as that of September 11, 2001. *Simplifies the intricate art of chart delineation with illustrations of important personalities.

Making the Right Choice Narratives of Marriage in Sri Lanka Rutgers University Press

This ground-breaking study sets out a new understanding of transformations in the interaction between religion and political authority throughout history.

Pattini-goddess, virgin, wife and mother; folk deity of Sinhala Buddhists and Jains; and assimilated goddess of the Hindu pantheon--has been worshiped in Sri Lanka and South India for fifteen hundred years or more, as she still is today. This long-awaited book is the culmination of Gananath Obeyesekere's comprehensive study of the Pattini cult and its historical, sociological, and psychoanalytical role in the culture of South Asia. A well-known anthropologist and a native of Sri Lanka, Obeyesekere displays his impeccable scholarship and a stunning range of theoretical perspectives in this work, the most detailed analysis of a single religious complex in South Asian ethnography (and possibly in all of anthropology). Since 1955 Obeyesekere has observed and participated in modern performances of the rituals of worship, healing, and propitiation in the Pattini cult, particularly the postharvest ritual known as the gammaduva. He presents detailed texts of the gammaduva, placing them in their historical and mythic traditions. Using the texts, he formulates a cultural analysis of the Buddhist pantheon and a critique of empiricist notions of South Asian historiography. Obeyesekere shows that some seemingly historical figures of South India and Sri Lanka are mythic characters and that their historical significance can best be understood by an anthropological analysis of myth rather than through a reification of myth in history. The concurrent Hindu worship of Pattini with its myths and rituals is described in detail. Obeyesekere documents the Sanskritization of Pattini, the changing physical structures of the goddess's shrines from the 1930s to the present, the assumption by Brahman priests of ritual functions formerly carried out by folk priest, and the sociocultural causes of these changes. He traces, too, the origins and diffusion of the cult throughout its entire history, as well as its survival today. Of psychological interest is the problematic status of Pattini as virgin, wife, and mother and her relationship with her god-husband Palanga and his courtesan Madevi. Obeyesekere discusses the psychodynamics of this relationship in detail and explains its role in Hindu-Buddhist socialization and family structure. Further, he uses this analysis to account for local variations in the performance and structure of the ritual. The ritual of the killing and resurrection of Pattini's husband and her role as mater dolorosa will interest scholars of comparative religion.

The peoples of Sri Lanka have participated in far-flung trading networks, religious formations, and Asian and European empires for millennia. This interdisciplinary volume sets out to draw Sri Lanka into the field of Asian and Global History by showing how the latest wave of scholarship has explored the island as a 'crossroads', a place defined by its openness to movement across the Indian Ocean. Experts in the history, archaeology, literature and art of the island from c.500 BCE to c.1850 CE use Lankan material to explore a number of pressing scholarly debates. They address these matters from their varied disciplinary perspectives and diverse array of sources, critically assessing concepts such as ethnicity, cosmopolitanism and localisation, and elucidating the subtle ways in which the foreign may be resisted and embraced at the same time. The individual chapters, and the volume as a whole, are a welcome addition to the history and historiography of Sri Lanka, as well as studies of the Indian Ocean region, kingship, colonialism, imperialism, and early modernity.

Insight Guides: Inspiring your next adventure The lure of golden sands entices visitors to Sri Lanka, but this Indian Ocean island is also home to ancient cities, diverse cultures and accessible wildlife. Be

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Astrology of the Seers is a clear yet comprehensive presentation of Vedic astrology and makes this difficult-to-understand subject clear, practical and relevant. It reveals the deeper implications of the Vedic system in sections on astrology as a spiritual science, astrology and psychology, astrology and yoga. Of special interest, the book explains the cycle of the world-ages (yugas), showing the Vedic view of human history, and the connection of our solar system with galactic sources of energy. Thirty-two example charts of all types are explained including those of many spiritual teachers, covering all the main aspects of its philosophy, background and practice, including chart interpretation and methods of balancing planetary influences such as mantra and gem therapy. The present edition has been thoroughly revised and updated.

Modernizing and colonizing forces brought nineteenth-century Sri Lankan Buddhists both challenges and opportunities. How did Buddhists deal with social and economic change; new forms of political, religious, and educational discourse; and Christianity? And how did Sri Lankan Buddhists, collaborating with other Asian Buddhists, respond to colonial rule? To answer these questions, Anne M. Blackburn focuses on the life of leading monk and educator Hikkaduve Sumangala (1827–1911) to examine more broadly Buddhist life under foreign rule. In *Locations of Buddhism*, Blackburn reveals that during Sri Lanka's crucial decades of deepening colonial control and modernization, there was a surprising stability in the central religious activities of Hikkaduve and the Buddhists among whom he worked. At the same time, they developed new institutions and forms of association, drawing on pre-colonial intellectual heritage as well as colonial-period technologies and discourse. Advocating a new way of studying the impact of colonialism on colonized societies, Blackburn is particularly attuned here to human experience, paying attention to the habits of thought and modes of affiliation that characterized individuals and smaller scale groups. *Locations of Buddhism* is a wholly original contribution to the study of Sri Lanka and the history of Buddhism more generally.

Lagna Varahi written by the famous astrologer cum astronomer Varahamihira of 6th century AD along with translation and commentary by Veneet Kumar & Sreenadh OG. Lagna Varahi : A4 size. 80 pages. eBook price : Rs.100/- (\$2). Paperback: Rs.200/- (\$4). eBook copy available worldwide, Paperback edition only within India. The book contains a detailed discussion on various subjects such as house-planet results to be told for male as well as female horoscope, rare combinations not found anywhere else, and few unique observations on prasna. This text is in many ways special. Some of them are - * It is like brief formula book for the astrologer; brewing the results into small slokas. For example the results for all planets in lagna is told in a single sloka. Same with other houses too. * It contains several unique combinations which are not found anywhere else. Every rare combination told in the book is demonstrating as working using a real life example chart, for which the very same result happened. * Numerous quotes from this text is already popular among practicing astrologers (due to their effectiveness and accuracy) even though many of them may not be knowing that those slokas are originally from Lagna Varahi. Lagna Varahi is an excellent handbook for any practicing astrologer. This book helps the astrologers to memorize less number of slokas but then too predict effectively.

This book critically examines dominant ceremonial practices in Sri Lanka. It presents key ideas and symbolic systems that exist to this day, in similar shapes or in different guises. It looks at issues such as misfortunes caused by demons (yaksa dosa), an important ceremonial practice known as the puna-y?gaya, ideas pertaining to spirit possession, trance, and mediums. It also deals with classical Ayurvedic theories of disease, urban ceremonial practices such as cases of the apotheoses from demon to divinity, as well as multiple forms of Buddhist ceremonial practices that are part of the Sri Lankan consciousness and have found their way into public cultural performances in Sri Lanka. As a comprehensive volume on ceremonial practices in Sri Lanka, this work will be useful for scholars and researchers in cultural studies, sociology, social-anthropology, and particularly those interested in myths and rituals in South Asia.

An examination of the importance of writing on the development of different societies.

Ever wonder what stars might hold you for new year of 2021. Check out your wealth, property, profession, health and personal life for the year 2021 as per Astrology.

A comprehensive horoscope for 2021 covers monthly and yearly predictions. These horoscopes not only cover all key aspects of your life viz health, family, career, finances, education but also provide guidance and practical wisdom to lead you towards inner peace and happiness. These editions are borne out of a deep study and have been meticulously prepared by renowned spiritual leader and astrologer - Acharya Rajan, who represents a new generation of truly global individuals emerging out of the East & the West who firmly believe in Astrology as a Science and Celestial powers equitable to cosmic movements with second-by-second mathematical calculations. While the qualification in Engineering bestowed an illustrious corporate life, Acharya Rajan now endeavors to nurture in every person, every being for how you want to respond to what life brings you. While certain tendencies may exist in your astrological makeup, you still get to decide what you are going to do. Yes, every day, we get to choose! And that's exactly what he endeavors to achieve through these books – share the predictions triggered by planetary movements coupled with guidance and wisdom to help you choose!

Making the Right Choice unravels the entangled relationship between marriage, morality, and the desire for modernity as it plays out in the context of middle-class status concerns and aspirations for upward social mobility within the Sinhala-Buddhist community in urban Sri Lanka. By focusing on individual life-histories spanning three generations, the book illuminates how narratives about a gendered self and narratives about modernity are mutually constituted and intrinsically tied to notions of agency. The book uncovers how "becoming modern" in urban Sri Lanka, rather than causing inter-generational conflict, is a collective aspiration realized through the efforts of bringing up educated and independent women capable of making "right" choices. The consequence of this collective investment is a feminist conundrum: agency does not denote the right to choose, but

the duty to make the "right" choice; hence agency is experienced not as a sense of "freedom," but rather as a burden of responsibility.

In this study a social and cultural anthropologist and a specialist in the study of religion pool their talents to examine recent changes in popular religion in Sri Lanka. As the Sinhala themselves perceive it, Buddhism proper has always shared the religious arena with a spirit religion. While Buddhism concerns salvation, the spirit religion focuses on worldly welfare. Buddhism Transformed describes and analyzes the changes that have profoundly altered the character of Sinhala religion in both areas.

One of the most powerful statements ever written on the subject of caste in India.

Combining memoir, history, and present-day narrative, this book describes how Buddhism is lived in Sri Lanka.

An illuminating look at the surprising history and science of astrology, civilization's first system of algorithms, from Babylon to the present day. Humans are pattern-matching creatures, and astrology is the universe's grandest pattern-matching game. In this refreshing work of history and analysis, data scientist Alexander Boxer examines classical texts on astrology to expose its underlying scientific and mathematical framework. Astrology, he argues, was the ancient world's most ambitious applied mathematics problem, a monumental data-analysis enterprise sustained by some of history's most brilliant minds, from Ptolemy to al-Kindi to Kepler. Thousands of years ago, astrologers became the first to stumble upon the powerful storytelling possibilities inherent in numerical data. To correlate the configurations of the cosmos with our day-to-day lives, astrologers relied upon a "scheme of heaven," or horoscope, showing the precise configuration of the planets at a particular instant in time as viewed from a particular place on Earth. Although recognized as pseudoscience today, horoscopes were once considered a cutting-edge scientific tool. Boxer teaches us how to read these esoteric charts—and appreciate the complex astronomical calculations needed to generate them—by diagramming how the heavens appeared at important moments in astrology's history, from the assassination of Julius Caesar as viewed from Rome to the Apollo 11 lunar landing as seen from the surface of the Moon. He then puts these horoscopes to the test using modern data sets and statistical science, arguing that today's data scientists do work similar to astrologers of yore. By looking back at the algorithms of ancient astrology, he suggests, we can better recognize the patterns that are timeless characteristics of our own pattern-matching tendencies. At once critical, rigorous, and far ranging, A Scheme of Heaven recontextualizes astrology as a vast, technological project—spanning continents and centuries—that foreshadowed our data-driven world today.

Explores the relationship of Sinhalese nationalism to the ethnic conflict in Sri Lanka

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