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Sylvana

tarot card

reader and palmist.

Unlike the be-scarfed, earring adorned psychic I'd imagined, Sylvana was actually a bit of a fox in her leather jeans and tight-fitting T-shirt.

I shuffled the tarot cards and passed them to her. She held them, closed her eyes and started talking even before she looked at the cards. Picking up vibes... I thought.

Sylvana waffled on about work and careers for a while, which, although accurate and interesting, wasn't the reason I was there.

When it came to my love-life, she we into immediate and very accurate detall about my relationship with Max. When I asked her whether I should marry him, she replied: 'But you're married already, aren't you?'

In fact, we live together and have a second daughter, Ruby, so we are presented up. Sylvana said that the only reason to get married would be to make him feel more secure, but she was worried that it might make me feel resentful and restricted.

A quick glance at my palm told her that I'd already been married four times before! Although she did add that this could mean four serious relationships—which is pretty near the mark.

She advised me to put any thou of having another baby on ho defew years, due to the fact that have a few important career issues to sort out first.

She said my relationship Max was very strong and destined to last, and that marrage wouldn't make much difference.

Summary: Send those carnations

Sylvana is based at Mysteries
Monmouth Street, London WC
You can book a reading with reby phoning 071-240 3688. Cost
for half an hour.

Jacqui Deevoy
consults five psychic
advisors to discover if
marriage is on the cards
for her and long-term
lover, Max.

me?

'Julie

works by

contacting

the spirit

of a

dead

relative.

Julie Cryer Leeds-based gifted medium and clairvoyant. (Gifted means she's been psychic since birth and hasn't trained to get where she is today.)

Most mediums I've met have been doddery old ladies with blue rinses. But Julie couldn't have been more different.

Thirtysomething, smart with bleached hair and ice-blue eyes, she immediately made me feel at ease.

Julie, however, was uneasy about being recorded, explaining that many of the things she had

to say were very personal and that the tape would make her feel inhibited. My appetite was whetted...

Julie works by contacting the spirit of a dead relative. She told me that at that moment she was in contact with my matemal grandmother (who had died a few

years ago). Julie told me that all her information and advice was being channelled through her courtesy of dearly departed Nanny.

Julie sifted out my romantic dilemma pretty speedily and said that Max would marry me tomorrow if I wanted. But she insisted our relationship is basically very solid and there is really no need for marriage at this stage. She also warned that I'm prone to temptation of the romantic and sexual kind, and she added that in a few years time, I may be lured away from Max by another man, but that if I went, I'd be sorry...

According to Julie, during the

next two to three years, I'll be too busy with my career to consider marriage; after that, I'll have a second child (a boy this time); then I might be calm enough to settle down and get wed.

Summary: Start the down-payments on that band of gold!

To book a sitting with Julie Cryer phone: 0532-860129. Cost: £12 for as long as it takes. (My sitting lasted about an hour.)

Linda Lawrence

tarot consultant, clairvoyant and medium.

Linda spent the first ten of my 30

minutes chatting about my work, and then about Max's job.

When we got to relationship issues, Linda said I might be getting married in about 18 months' time, with a travel connection. She dwelled a lot on karma and past lives. Apparently,

me and Max were brothers in a business partnership in a past life and, as we were incompatible then, we may have problems in this life (the mind boggles!). She also saw two past lives for myself and my daughter – in one we were twin boys, and in another Ruby was my mother!

She predicted my work will take me away from Max and that, too, could cause problems in the future. Unless he can match me in the work situation, the relationship could be difficult.

By June next year, the relationship will be made or broken. But she did foresee two children for us, and felt

that if we can get through the next year, marriage will be on the cards.

Summary: Get that wedding dress designed!

Contact Linda Lawrence on 071-630 6082 for a face-to-face or telephone reading. Cost: £14 for half an hour.

Hazel

crystal ball gazer.
First, I had to sit
with my hands on
the crystal ball,
while Hazel worked
out a bit of
numerology for me,
based on my birthdate. Apparently,
I'm a number one,
which means I'll
have fulfilment in
this lifetime. Hurrah!

Hazel asked me a lot of questions about myself, which the others didn't, but then came up with information that meant absolutely nothing to me. I know no-one called Ethel, and I'm not in the process of planning a holiday (although, I guess, most people are at this time of year).

She told me I'd been a little unsure of myself lately, and that I feel things are standing still. She forecast that things would be on the move again soon, especially on the relationship front. There'll be changes, she said, starting in May. Someone else is interested in me, according to Hazel, and that could cause upheaval soon.

She advised me not to rush into marriage with Max, and to think about it in three months' time. She saw me getting married in a few years from now.

Summary: Get that wedding cake back in the freezer!

Hazel is also based at Mysteries. To book a session with her, phone: 071-240 3688. Cost: £15 for half an hour.

Robin Currey

consultant astrologer and founder of Equinox at The Astrology Shop in Covent Garden. This is a painless (but somewhat impersonal) method of working out how compatible a couple is

using computerised astrology.

I filled in a form, jotting down the dates, times and birth places of myself and Max, then watched while the details were fed into a computer and a personalised reading was printed out.

I was expecting the reading to be very vague, but it turned out to be remarkably accurate. Called a Compatibility Profile, the document outlines our temperaments, emotional rapport, sexual attraction, mental rapport and durability.

According to Robin Currey's computer program, Max's sun falls on my moon and this is a very good sign, because it means we instinctively understand each other (true). Robin writes that 'there is a vast potential for

growth on a spiritual and material plane', which is a fairly solid base for marriage.

Robin also saw a rival sibling feeling between us. He says that when we first met, we may have had a strong feeling of having met before (we did as a matter of fact), and that's because we have a

strong karmic link.

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He insists that ours is a serious affair and is destined to last a long time, if we share our innermost thoughts and feelings. We are ultimately good for each other, and marriage may be an option.

Summary: Get that church booked!

To get your own Compatibility Profile done by post, phone: 071-497 1001. Or visit the Astrology Shop in person at 78 Neal Street, London WC2. Cost: £20.

Conclusion

egarding my dilemma, Sylvana said that getting married would make no difference; Julie reckoned there was no need, but if we did tie the knot it would be in about three years time; Linda predicted we'd be wed in 18 months (if we made it past next June, that is!); Hazel advised me not to rush it, but saw me married a few years into the future; and Robin said that marriage would be a good idea, but didn't say when.

I was surprised by the similarities in what all five 'mystics' said, and the way they picked up on my uncertainty. So what have I decided? No vows just yet. But watch this space...