

Barry Manilow – Musical Coach on American Idol

Tonight Barry Manilow “coached” the contestants on their presentations of 50’s music. Barry Manilow commented that he absolutely loved coaching singers to be “the best they can be.” Particularly how the words of a song tell a story, and in order to be a good entertainer, instead of just singing a song, they needed to learn how to sing in a way that conveys the story.

I immediately thought that Manilow’s horoscope (born June 17, 1943; 9 AM; Brooklyn Heights, NY; Asc 9 Leo 34) must have an Oriental Moon or the Moon in or ruling the 5th house, and even a strong Jupiter / Sagittarius presence, all symbolizing his love of teaching and coaching. Sure enough, he has the Moon in Sagittarius (the need to have his opinions respected) in the 5th house of entertainment!

The Midheaven Extension Process is really worth studying, with Aries on the MC (and Taurus intercepted in the 10th):

1. Aries MC, ruled by Mars, final dispositor in the 9th. Mars in exact trine to the Moon in Sagittarius in the 5th. Mercury in Gemini (final dispositor) ruler of the communications 3rd is quincunx the Moon (i.e., teaching how to communicate [or sing] a story).
2. The Moon is in mutual reception with Jupiter ruler of the 5th. Jupiter forms an exact square to the MC (emphasizing teaching), and is sextile to Neptune in the 3rd (musical composition). Neptune is quincunx the MC (and rules the 9th).
3. Taurus on the MC, ruled by Venus leads to the Mercury in Gemini through dispositorship.

Strong emphasis on the 3rd, 5th and 9th!

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