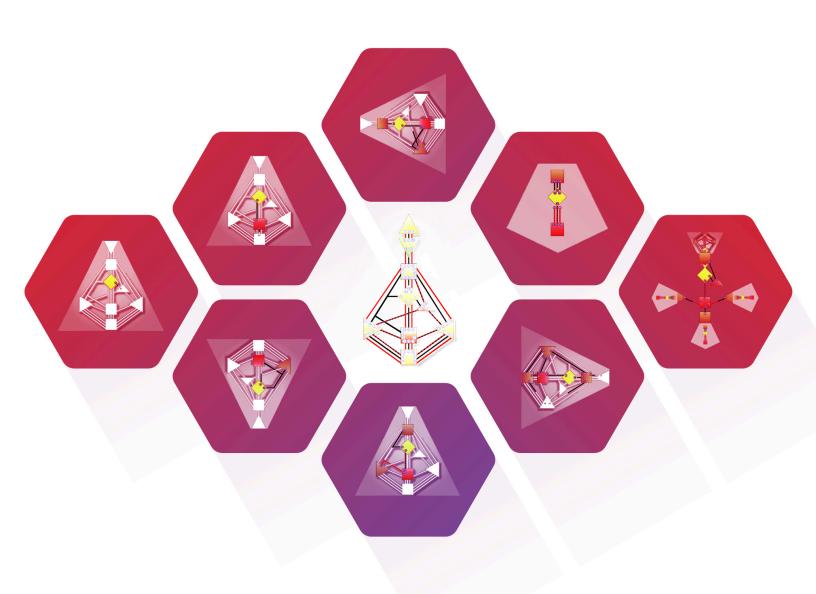
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## THE ARCHITECTURE OF LIFE | RA URU HU INTRODUCTION

# Introduction to the Architecture of Life

The Architecture of Life offers a vibrant look into how Human Design principles and approaches give insight into our world as a whole, focusing on a specific Design of Form for:

- The Inanimate
- The Cell
- Plants
- Insects
- Fish, Birds and Reptiles
- Mammals
- The Trans-Auric Forms: Penta and Wa

This course gives you an opportunity to understand the impact and dynamics of Human Design on a broader basis, and the synergies between the human and non-human world. It offers insight into Design as a template for all life, broadening your understanding of its effect on humans and on the world at large.

The Architecture of Life is a 11+hour, 7-lecture series that Ra Uru Hu taught at the 2006 annual Human Design event in Ibiza, Spain.

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# Lecture One

## The Inanimate

I've wanted to do this for many years, because it's something that fascinated me right from the beginning. What it was really about was that I'm not human centric. My feeling about life, consciousness, is not really oriented to human beings because quite frankly I'm not very impressed. It has always seemed extraordinary to me the way in which consciousness operates in terms of the whole consciousness field.

## Ra's Experience with His Dog

I had a very strange thing happen to me in the process of receiving the information. I had a dog with me and when I went into my encounter, my dog literally collapsed. In my ruina, where I went through the experience, I actually remember pushing this non-breathing animal under my desk. On the second day when I was introduced to Human Design and I was instructed on how to draw out the BodyGraph, my feet were on my dog under the desk. There was a question in me that I never articulated—I never said anything, actually, throughout that experience—"Does my dog have the same Design as me?"

#### **Self-Reflected Consciousness**

One of my favorite things about the dog is that it really was the key that opened up the door to all the various Designs of form, and there are so many of them. Human is one thing; but being able to see a distinct differentiation in every single thing, is another. Everything about life, everything about the form principle, is that it is oriented to one thing and one thing only, which is to be able to provide the possibility of what we call self-reflected consciousness.

## **An Evolutionary Movement**

Everything about form is moving in this way. When you look at each of the

individual forms, not only do you get a very profound insight into the nature of this knowledge, but you also see something else. You get to see this evolutionary movement, because that's exactly what it is; an evolutionary movement. What we begin with is the simplest, because for me the simplest is ultimately the most profound. There is something absolutely extraordinary about the 25th Gate.

There is a book I often open up while I'm having a cup of coffee which tells all kinds of mythological stories across every culture on the planet. I was thumbing through it this morning looking for creation stores. There are all these incredible creation stories that you have from all these various cultures. Aside from Adam being made out of clay, some of the most fantastic ones are creation entities that emerged out of rocks. There is one that's described in which there is this great hole that is drilled into this rock so that this thing can gestate within the rock.

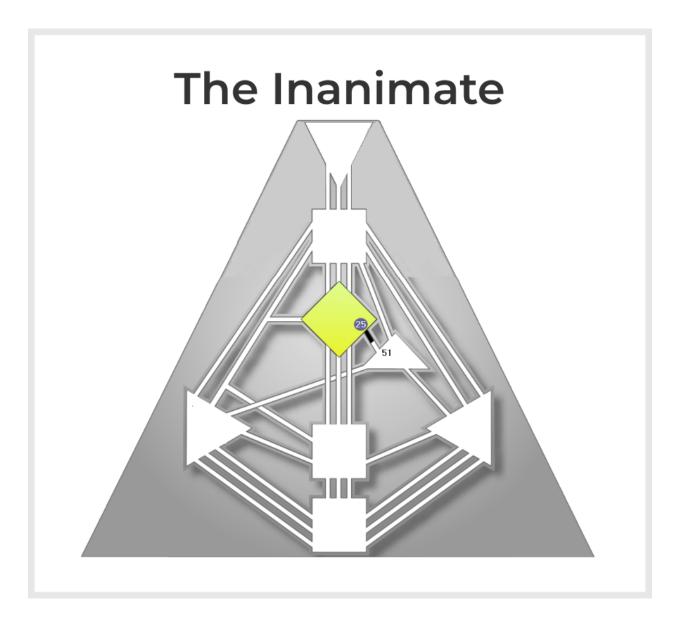
There is an evolutionary train. If you look at the inanimate [next page], it only has a Gate. There is no Channel, which is the missing ingredient to life. When you look at the single cell and you see one Channel, you see the potential of life and the life force, but you don't see the potential yet of consciousness.

When you finally get to see a circuit, you get to see the potential of consciousness. That is, the moment you move from the single cell to the plant you get into circuity and you get to the beginnings of what consciousness can be. This is the way consciousness can move out of form.

#### The Inanimate Breathes the Potential of Life

But it says something extraordinary about the inanimate, that the inanimate is always ready to be alive. That's what is so extraordinary about the 25<sup>th</sup> Gate. If you look at the illustration [next page], you're looking at the 25<sup>th</sup> Gate and it's pointed across that Channel to the 51. But there's no 51; there is no Heart Center. There is nothing but the void. But it is looking for it; it is pointed at it. The most extraordinary thing to understand about the nature of the inanimate is that the inanimate is life that's dormant. It's not inanimate at all—it's just a label—it's alive.

If I can create a grand metaphor for the biverse that we live in, the inanimate as we understand it is in essence the blood and the bones of the totality. It is the material essence. It is the clay that is used to evolve all of these extraordinary forms. Every single inanimate object breathes the potential of life.



I have the Channel 51-25. When I was 16 years old, a friend of mine took me to a park in Montreal where I grew up, and he gave me my first LSD trip. The park was lovely, and it was filled with wonderful big stones. He sat me down near these stones, and I ended up with my back nestled against this stone experiencing my first hallucinogenic experience. I'm a 51, so shock is a natural

thing for me. I got the shock of my life: the rock moved. It was like, "What? Rocks don't do that; they are inanimate objects."

It was an extraordinary experience for me. It was coupled with what happened to me in grade 3. I will never forget my science teacher in grade 3, bless her heart. I cannot remember her name. She grew crystals for us. That's a bizarre thing. It's not alive; or is it? There we were watching these things grow, and there is this kind of funny thing that happens to your own consciousness. Between the crystals growing and the rock moving, I've had moments in my life where it was clear to me there is something very strange about the inanimate.

People who know me personally know I give names to everything; my car, my computers. There isn't a thing that I don't have that doesn't have a name. I even give names to the things I eat, which is really bizarre. But that's my own problem! The inanimate is an amazing thing, because things have incredible power. And every once in a while, if you meet them on the other side, you understand that; it's there in them.

## The 25th Gate: The Spirit of the Self

So, in talking about the inanimate, I don't want you to think of the cold infrastructure of this totality, because it isn't. It's the real miracle. When you finally get down to all these layers of evolution and you get to us, and you look at our Design and you look at the 25<sup>th</sup> Gate, this is the Gate of universal love. This is the Gate of blood, the Gate of the shaman and the priestess. This is the Gate of the spirit of the self.

This is the very, very core of everything, because that's what we are, these bags of flesh made up of inanimate material, lots of it. Like the wonder of these brains that operate because of the benefit of inanimate elements in the brain that give us the electricity and the firing of our neurons, and whatever. We are nothing but a collection of inanimate infused with life.

It's the Frankenstein story. I identify with Frankenstein every day; not with him, but with the monster. Frankenstein, I have a problem with, but I really identify with the monster because that's what it's like. You take all of this

inanimate stuff and you put it altogether in nice little patterns, you give it some juice, and voila! Then people spend the rest of their lives looking for God. It's really a joke.

### Life Is Not an Accident

So, I start with the simple. Most people are interested in things like plants. You deal with them all the time; animals in your life and all these things. But this is the place I really like, because in here is an incredible mystery. This is the place where it says that life is something that is not an accident. Life is a predictable, logical thing that comes directly out of the potential of everything that is inanimate. There isn't anything that can't be alive.

Within the larger context of the biverse, this is one living thing. It's not easy for anyone to identify with such a thing, but it is us and we are it. It is one huge living thing, which means that everything, whether it's this table, the wall, the carpet, is all part of the living fabric of the totality. It's all these 25s that build all of this up. And every step along the way, they're ready, like the monster, to have the juice go into them and for them to awaken. It's an incredible thing.

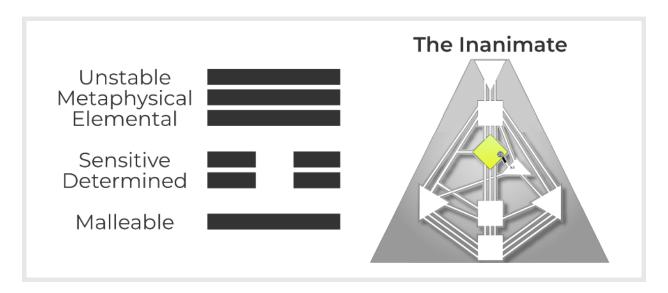
## **The Form Principle**

I am a teacher of form. I am the Mother's son. It is so clear to me that it's all form. Our self-reflected consciousness is the gas of this machine. And the fact that we exalted into something that's important, that's our problem. But it's the form principle that puts it all together, that makes it possible to create the brain pan and the neocortex, and all of this wonder.

It's not simple. Yes, you could say there are six Lines of the 25; but then there are six Colors, six Tones, and five Bases. There are 1,080 basic ways in which the form principle can turn into life. It sounds like a Paul Simon song—there are 1,080 ways not to leave your lover, but to create life. That's a lot of different ways. Form isn't just "I need to get it this way in order to bring..." There are 1,080 ways to turn the inanimate into the life force, and each one is unique. Each one opens up a unique fractal to all the various forms that we have.

## The Hexagram Chop of the 25th Gate

In the illustration, you'll notice on the left that there is the hexagram chop of the 25<sup>th</sup> Gate. When looking at hexagrams, the 1<sup>st</sup> Line is at the bottom and the 6<sup>th</sup> Line is at the top. You can see that in laying out the hexagram structure, it's not laid out according to trigram. The hexagram can be seen in many ways. It can be seen as three binaries, as two trigrams, or as it is seen here, as a progression of the 1, 2, 3 progression.



## The 1st Line: The Foundation

The first thing to recognize is that whenever you're looking at a 1st Line, you are looking at the foundation. You're looking at the very basis of the form principle. Yet, isn't there a wonderful ironic joke here? Because if you look at the very basis of the form principle, you will see that this is a yang Line. It is not yin. It's one of my favorite jokes, that the 'yanger' you get, the 'yiner' you become. Nonetheless, this is not yin; it is yang.

It is here that the mystery begins, because the whole thing to understand about the form principle is that form is designed to interact with the yang. It's all the form principle. But it is only the form that can give authority, that can give the right to the yang. It's the only way that it works; first comes the form.