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Zsuzsanna "Z" Emese Budapest is one of the most colorful women living in the United States today.

Born in Hungary, only a few blocks from the studios that produced the Hungarian films, Z was influenced by the Entertainment Industry at a young age. Z fled Hungary in 1956 because of the Revolution, and thus began her adventures in the world. She studied in Innsbruck and Vienna, and earned herself an International Scholarship with the University of Chicago. Later she studied with the Second City Improvisational Theater where she studied the art of improvisation.



Z's first job in television entertainment was as the Color Girl for the CBS Network in New York. She was assigned the Ed Sullivan Show, and it was her face that CBS adjust their camera's settings to.

Later, Z moved to California where she opened up a candle and book store in Venice, California. There she brought forward her Hungarian heritage and traditions, which included reading tarot cards. In 1974, she was arrested for fortune telling as a result of reading tarot cards, and that lead to her being the last person to be tried for witchcraft in the United States. Ultimately, those outdated laws were over-turned as a result of her fortitude.

Z found herself immersed within the feminist culture with the likes of such notable women as her friend Gloria Steinem.

She grew as a feminist during the time of her legal battles with reading tarot. It was these two powerful influences that inspired Z to author ten internationally published books on the topics of Women's Spirituality. Ultimately, Z is accredited with the founding and propagation of the Women's Spirituality Movement, which continues to thrive to this day.

Z has led rituals, lectured, taught classes, given workshops, written articles tirelessly, and published in hundreds of women's newspapers across the country. She has powerfully influenced many of the future teachers and writers about the Goddess.

In the eighties, Z created a TV show called **13th Heaven** and it ran on syndicated cable to thirteen channels in the San Francisco Bay Area for seven years. She acts as the director of the Women's Spirituality Forum, a nonprofit organization sponsoring a monthly lecture series in the Bay Area about

the Goddess, spirituality retreats, and annual spiral dances on Halloween. Z founded and sponsors the Dianic University.

California Institute for Integral Studies recognized recently Z's contribution to Women's Spirituality Movement.

Today Z focuses her attentions on the development of her latest TV project called *Femina Nation*, which focuses on notable women in a unique and uplifting way.

Books written by Zsuzsanna Budapest :

Holy Book of Women's Mysteries Grandmother of Time Summoning the Fates Goddess in the Office Goddess in the Bedroom Grandmother Moon Celestial Wisdom

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