

MESA REDONDA de IZAPA, JUNE 19-21, 2012
Sponsored by Planetario de los Bachilleres and The Maya Conservancy

JUNE 19 (2 Ajmaq)

5:00 p.m. "Welcome to The Planetarium," Miguel Lopez. Keynote Speaker, Mary Lou Ridinger of *The Maya Conservancy*: "Ancient Mesoamerican Trade Routes; Izapa as a Center of Trade and Cultural Diffusion." Then, a Planetarium show of "The Night of Creation."

JUNE 20 (3 No'j)

At the site of Izapa:

- 6:00 a.m. Solstice Sacred Fire Ceremony at Izapa,
with Maya Spiritual Guides Antolin and Nicolasa
- 7:30 a.m. Tour of Group B, Dr. Garth Norman

At the Tapachula Planetarium:

- 11:00 a.m. The First Izapa Mesa Redonda Conference starts.
Dr. Garth Norman Talk and presentation:
"Izapa...the Birthplace of the MesoAmerican Calendars"
- 12:00 p.m. Miguel Ratzan. Musician and Storyteller
- 12:30 p.m. - 2:00pm Comida

- 2:00 p.m. Planetarium: local expert Ing. Abelino Becerra
- 4:00 p.m. Panel on the Stage: Questions and Answers with the audience.
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner sponsored by *The Maya Conservancy*

JUNE 21 (4 Tijax)

At the site of Izapa:

- 7:30 a.m. Tour of the Group F Ball Court at Izapa, John Major Jenkins
- 9:00 am. Dedication of replica of Izapan stela to INAH, Group A

At the Tapachula Planetarium:

- 10:30 a.m. Planetarium: DVD "Understanding 2012," introduced by Mary Lou Ridinger
- 11:00 a.m. John Major Jenkins, "Archaeoastronomy and the Hero Twin Myth in the Izapan Ball Court." PPP
- 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Comida

- 2:00 p.m. Dr. Mark Van Stone: "It's not the End of the World: What the Maya Really Tell Us about 2012"
- 3:00 p.m. Vincent Stanzione: "Flowering Mountain Earth-Suchitepequez Kotzil...Place of Cacao, the Sacred Grove, and Water."
- 4:00 p.m. Panel on the Stage. Questions and Answers with the audience.
- 4:30 p.m. Break for viewing Planetarium exhibits; wine and cheese and mixing

- 5:00 p.m. Planetarium Show
- 6:00 p.m. Panel of Tapachula/Tuxtla Chico leaders on cooperation among business, NGO's, and government for a Visitor's Center at Izapa

Closing of the *First Izapa Mesa Redonda (Round Table) Conference*

For event information: <http://Alignment2012.com/IzapaRoundTableJune2012-Planner.pdf>