



WAYEB Newsletter

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Dear Wayeberos,

I hope you all had a good start into the new year. Please, check out the latest information about this year's EMC in Geneva in this newsletter.

Best regards,

Frauke Sachse

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1. NEW MEMBERS

Please, give a very warm welcome to our new members:

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2. 12 EMC IN GENEVA – CALL FOR PAPERS ANNOUNCEMENT

The 12th European Maya Conference organized by the University of Geneva (Institute of History of Religions), the Swiss Society of Americanists, and Wayeb (European Association of Mayanists), will be held from December 3 – 8, 2007 in Geneva, Switzerland. A three-and-a-half-day Workshop (Dec. 3-6) will precede a two-day Symposium (Dec. 7-8).

SYMPOSIUM

The Theme of this year's conference is «**The Maya and their Sacred Narratives: Text and Context of Maya Mythologies**». Presentations will cover the analysis of sacred texts and mythological epics, as well as their derived ritual actions. Some anticipated approaches include the reconstruction of mythologies, the interaction between sacred narratives and the socio-political spheres in general and kingship in particular, the study of paraphernalia, the physical layout of ritual locations, and the spacio-temporal perspective.

Keynote speakers will include Allen Christenson, Raphaël Gardiol and Philippe Borgeaud, Nikolai Grube, Simon Martin, Alain Monnier, Christian Prager, Karl Taube, and Fátima Tec Pool.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Wayeb Conference Board invites the submission of abstracts concerning the conference topic. Papers will be selected from all subdisciplines of Maya Studies. Presentations will be accepted in English and Spanish. Abstracts may not exceed 250 words. Contributions of authors who submit more than one abstract will not be considered. Co-authorship should be indicated on submission.

Please submit in electronic format (Word attachment) in the following order :

1. Author's name and affiliation
2. Address, Phone number and e-mail address
3. Title of paper
4. Abstract

The abstracts will be forwarded without the author's particulars to an anonymous Review Committee that will be selected by the Wayeb Conference Board.

Deadline for receipt of abstracts is 30 June, 2007.

Please send your abstract to callforpapers@wayeb.org

MAYA HIEROGLYPHIC WORKSHOP

The Symposium will be preceded by a three-and-a-half-day long hieroglyphic workshop that will comprise several groups ranging from beginners to advanced level. All groups will be taught and supervised by experienced tutors. Tuition will be available in English, Spanish and French. The workshop will include an opening lecture by Simon Martin.

Separate registration will be available for both events.

For further information, please, contact emc2007@wayeb.org

3. WEBSITE UPDATES

Wayeb has published statements about the Mel Gibson movie 'Apocalypto' on our website. We hope that all our members will make use of this collection of statements and help to educate the public about the inaccuracies and dangers this movie entails.

Also: please note that we are constantly expanding our sections of resources for Maya research and ethnohistorical sources. You may find interesting things there ...

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