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In the Yucatan peninsula, one of the greatest cultures that have ever existed, the Mayans, developed. Connoisseurs of the universe like no other culture. Chichén Itzá was one of the largest and most important cities of this empire.

Today we will recreate a festivity, a celebration as perhaps they would have done more than 500 years ago. A celebration of the moon, the sun, the stars and the elements. Other rulers have come from other lands to dance, to celebrate and to witness the ball game.

Welcome to Chichén de Fuego

### BALÁM CEH DANCE OF THE JAGUAR AND DEER

The nights in the Mayan jungle are characterized by the sounds of animals and the flashes of fireflies.

The "balám" jaguar stalks its prey. A "ceh" deer that is found wandering in the dark. The hunt is on!



\* Mayan polychrome vase.

# KUKULCÁN

FEATHERED SERPENT The feathered serpent Kukulcán was one of the most important deities for the Mayans.

In this dance, the awakening of Kukulcán and his transformation into the sacred tree for the Mayans, the yaxché, is represented.

\*Kukulcan taken from the Dresden codex.

### MURAL DE BONAMPAK

Mayan musicians are represented in this scene based on the Bonampak mural.

Rattles, a Mayan trumpet, and turtle shells, with the characteristic blue background, recreate the mural, rescuing the past and bringing our musical roots to the present.

# AJAW

#### **DIVINE** governors

The rulers for the Mayans were beings connected with the divine.

Chichen Itza, was ruled by the Aztecs and Mayans. De Landa (1566) "Relation of the things of Yucatan"

In this scene the rulers exchange gifts and prepare for the festivity.



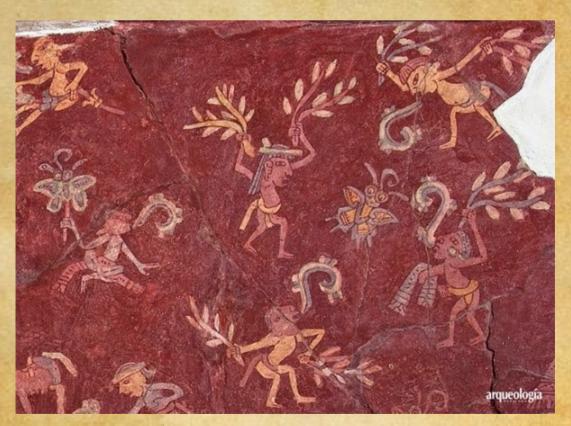
\*Bonampak mural with Mayan governors

CACAO

Cocoa, a gift from the Mayans to the world.

The earth element is present bringing with it merriment and celebrations.

The song and dance, the celebration of the harvest, the joy of life, food and the land. The woman prepares and grinds the cocoa, thanking the earth for this beautiful gift.



\*Tehotihuacán mural



#### MUSIC

What would the music of the Mayans have been like?

If only the murals could talk...

We recreate a musical moment using instruments such as tunkules, zacatanes, rattles and more. For this work, we have stuck to the original Mayan instruments, and have recreated one, taken from the murals, that will accompany some of our music.



\*Mural de Bonampak Músicos

### DANZA DEL ADIVINO



This dance, as well as its costumes, is dedicated to the ruler known as "the soothsayer of Uxmal". A scene full of colors and movement to the beat of live music.

Let's continue with the party in Chichén de Fuego!

### EL UAY THE WIZARD

The Mayans were known for their magic and energy management. The awakening of the magician, represents the awakening of knowledge, the handling of the elements, with delicate but powerful movements, "el Uay" handles the crystal divining spheres.

# IIK

#### WIND

The element of the wind is present in this scene where the musicians play various native flutes.

The wind instruments, one of the most important for the Mayan culture, ocarinas and clay flutes, create sounds of birds, frogs and the jungle, transporting us to the magical and mysterious Mayan world.



\*Tambores Códice Madrid

# DZONOT

#### CENOTE

Cenotes were sacred to the Mayans. Its main source of fresh water. The water element is present in this mysterious scene, which, through movements and accompanied by cavern sounds, evokes and invokes the powerful female deity Ixchel. With mudras taken from steles and Mayan murals, this dance has been created, inspired by the Balancanché Caves.

\*Diosa Ixchel cerámica pintada

### DIÁLOGO DE LOS DIOSES

In the inner part of the earth the voices of the gods are heard. Between echoes, calls, invocations and laughter. They have arrived, and they come from the underworld. The masks, an essential element for dances, ceremonies, rituals and burials.



\*Jade mask of K'inich Janaab' Pakal

### POC TA POC

#### **BALL GAME**

The drums rumble to the rhythm of the movements, while two ancient athletes perform the fantastic ritual of "Poc ta Poc. The sun shines and makes its trajectory, fantasy and reality mix in this scene to say goodbye to the night and the celebration of "Chichén de Fuego"



\*Pintura juego de pelota "Pok ta Pok"

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