



THE Mesoamerica Meetings

The University of Texas at Austin

2026 SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM

November 6–7, 2026

Thompson Conference Center

Each presentation is followed by fifteen minutes of discussion.

Day One · Friday, November 6

9:00–9:15	<i>Opening Remarks</i>
9:15–10:15	Edwin Román-Ramírez Proyecto Arqueológico del Sur de Tikal, Director <i>The Construction of the Sacred Landscape of Tikal During the Classic Period (AD 250–900)</i>
10:15–11:15	Pamela Rosales & Rony E. Piedrasanta Castellanos Proyecto Arqueológico del Sur de Tikal <i>The Birth of a Sacred Mountain: The Preclassic Origins and Architectural Evolution of Tikal's South Acropolis</i>
11:15–12:15	Simon Martin University of Pennsylvania <i>The Missing Middle: Reconstructing the Middle Classic Period at Tikal, 480–600 CE</i>
12:15–1:30	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30–2:30	Juan Carlos Pérez Calderón Proyecto Arqueológico del Sur de Tikal <i>El Templo de las Inscripciones de Tikal: Nuevos datos para pensar y re-pensar el VI: las excavaciones 2024–2025</i>
2:30–3:30	Lorena Paiz Aragón Proyecto Arqueológico del Sur de Tikal <i>Enterrando el pasado. Investigaciones en el Grupo 6D-XV de Tikal</i>
3:30–4:30	David Stuart University of Texas at Austin <i>Symmetries and Centerings: The Visual Design of Inscriptions at Tikal</i>
5:00	Conference Reception Visual Arts Center Courtyard, Art Building, The University of Texas at Austin

Day Two · Saturday, November 7

9:00–10:00	Stephen Houston Brown University <i>Time @ Tikal: Exploring Temporal Meaning in the Classic Period</i>
10:00–11:00	Alejandrina Corado Ochoa Proyecto Arqueológico del Sur de Tikal <i>Ceramics in Ritual Contexts during the Classic Period (250 CE – 850 CE) on Tikal South Platform</i>
11:00–12:00	Andrew K. Scherer Brown University <i>Within and Beyond the Burials: Recent Bioarchaeological Research at Tikal</i>
12:00–1:30	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30–2:30	Thomas G. Garrison & Yesenia Rubi Landa University of Texas at Austin <i>Fortresses, Fields, and Fresh Water: Landscape Management in Ancient Mutul</i>
2:30–3:30	Tanya Carias Proyecto Arqueológico del Sur de Tikal <i>Volcanic Glass in the Lowlands: A Study of the Obsidian Artifacts at Tikal's Teotihuacan Neighborhood</i>
3:30–4:30	Alexandre Tokovinine University of Alabama <i>The Stones that Keep on Giving: Re-examining Tikal Monuments in 3D</i>
4:30–4:50	<i>Closing Discussion</i>