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Drink of Gods,
Food of Mortals

Chocolate in Mesoamerican Art and Culture

Join us for an interactive presentation with anthropologist **Joel Palka** and art historian **Virginia Miller** as they explore the origins of cacao through ancient Maya hieroglyphs and art. This presentation will highlight the beginnings of chocolate and its significance and historical influence in Mesoamerican cultures.



Joel Palka is an Associate Professor of the Department of Anthropology at UIC. His research and teaching interests include the archaeology and history of Mesoamerica and the Caribbean, Classic Maya culture and hieroglyphic writing and art. He is also editor of the publication *Mesoamerican Voices*.



Virginia E. Miller is an Associate Professor of the School of Art and Art History at UIC. Her research covers a range of topics in Maya art, particularly in Yucatán, and she is currently exploring 20th-century Maya revival architecture and monuments.

when: Thursday, September 18, 2014

time: 3:30pm to 5pm

where: Latino Cultural Center
Lecture Center B2

FREE refreshments and admission

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when: Saturday, September 20, 2014

time: 11am to 12:30pm

where: National Museum of Mexican Art
1852 W 19th St, Chicago, IL 60608

FREE admission

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