

Corn and Maya Time Corn and Calendar Tradition

Wajxaqib' B'atz'

Wajxaqib' B'atz' is a ceremony conducted every 260 days by the K'iche' Maya people in the highlands of Guatemala.

The Wajxaqib' B'atz' celebrates a new cycle of the Tzolk'in Maya sacred calendar.

During the Wajxaqib' B'atz', a woman or a man is initiated as an Ajq'ij, a Calendar Keeper, who serves as a spiritual and cultural guide to the community.

For thousands of years, the highland Maya have gone to caves, to water springs, and to the mountains to pray.

These places act as portals that connect the sky, the Earth, and the world of the ancestors.

This ceremony continues the ancient traditions of the Maya ancestors today.