

Was Indiana Jones wrong?

Find out for yourself during winter break in Peru!

by Marcia Weaver

This year Rose Cano, TOPS parent and project director of North-South ConeXiones, is organizing a two to three week trip to Peru during winter break for a small group of middle school students and their families. The trip is offered through the Milenio Theater Group of Peru and seeks to provide an authentic view of Lima and the coast of Peru, including national parks, adventure sports such as hang gliding, the amazing Nasca lines featured in Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skill, and Christmas, New Year's Eve and Epiphany festivals.

A tentative schedule is below. An alternative itinerary beginning on New Years Day that includes Machu Picchu is also possible.

For more information, please contact Rose Cano (rosecano@aol.com) as soon as possible. The earlier you commit to the trip, the lower your airfare is likely to be.

If you've always dreamed of going to Peru and your children like to travel with their peers, this is a terrific opportunity!

Interested families are invited to learn more and view a Peruvian film at my home,
937 Broadway E, on Sunday, September 21 at 6 pm
BYOF (Bring your own fedora) ... or not ...



Tentative Schedule

December	
Mon 22	Exposition by Milenio Theater Group
Tue 23	Temple and Incan forte of Pachacamac (30 k south of Lima), beaches, dine at “Peña” (restaurant of Afro-Peruvian musician “Abelardo Vasquez”), traditional “zapateo” (stepping dance) by Milenio Theater Group
Wed 24	Homage by Milenio Theater Group to the Virgin of El Carmen (Chincha). Await Christmas (at midnight) in the Plaza of the Parish of El Carmen. Atajo de Negritos and Pallas (traditional dances), and zapateo parade by boys and girls
Thu 25	Christmas Supper (midday). Visit the historic Plantation of San José. A competition between Lima city style and rural Chincha style zapateo in village of El Guayabo. Projection of “Atajo de Negritos” (Peruvian-Brazilian co-production.)
Fri 26	Beaches: Asia, shows, boulevard
Sat 27	Return to Lima
Sun 28	Bicycle tour to Miraflores-Barranco-Chorrillos, hang-gliding, historical Lima tour on double-decker bus
Mon 29	Percussion and zapateo, performance of Kimba Fa
Tue 30	Free day
Wed 31	Await New Year’s in a traditional Callejón (Alley) of La Victoria district, an old neighborhood of Lima
January	
Thu 1	New Year’s Day
Fri 2	Fly over Nasca Lines
Sat 3	Camping in Paracas, visit Reserve
Sun 4	Camping. Visit the Ballesta Islands with amazing marine life
Mon 5	Cañete. Stay at Cultural Hostal “Negro Continuo” of Susana Baca (Grammy award winner)
Tue 6	Atajo de Negritos and Pallas of Chincha, homage to Catholic Saint “La Melchorita”