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# Editorial

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Welcome to the *Journal of Astronomy in Culture*!

We are pleased to begin compiling the first issue of the new rendition of the journal. *Journal of Astronomy in Culture (JAC)* is the journal of the International Society of Archaeoastronomy and Astronomy in Culture (ISAAC) which also organizes the triennial Oxford series of international symposia for Cultural Astronomy.

*JAC* will focus upon publishing original research of archaeoastronomy and ethnoastronomy. The journal is committed to open access and will practice continuous publication of accepted articles which later will be assembled into issues at least once per calendar year. Published articles will highlight advancement of research in the growing field of Cultural Astronomy and will enhance our understanding of many world cultures that have used astronomy throughout history. As an open access publication, there are no fees for authors or readers.

The new version of the journal will deepen and broaden the impact of its predecessor, as well as embark on an inclusive vision that is international in scope, with an editorial team globally seeking top research papers from researchers of Cultural Astronomy. The journal is committed to fairness and mitigation of implicit biases in its selection processes, including double-blind refereeing, where the identities of authors and referees are not revealed to one another.

The *Journal of Astronomy in Culture* has reached an agreement of collaboration with *Cosmovisiones/Cosmovisões*, the journal of the Sociedad Interamericana de Astronomía en la Cultura (SIAC), that publishes research of Cultural Astronomy in both Spanish and Portuguese. The two journals intend to publish each other's abstracts and also translate selected articles to be published in the opposite journal for increased world exposure. This joint activity between the two journals promises to be quite exciting.

*JAC* is one of 92 journals published by University of California eScholarship and we cannot thank enough the great people there for all their support now and in the future. We look forward to the many insightful submissions that we will receive!

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