

SOCIETY FOR CULTURAL ASTRONOMY IN THE AMERICAN SOUTHWEST, INC.



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Code of Conduct

The Society for Cultural Astronomy in the American Southwest hereby ascribes to the following Code of Conduct and enjoins all its members and affiliated societies to abide by the standards as set forth:

- 1. To comply fully with all Federal, State, Local, and Indian Tribal laws relating to archaeological and historical sites and the preservation of antiquities.
- 2. To respect the integrity and right-to-privacy of owners of private land, and to adhere strictly to the stipulations and conditions set forth by landowners when doing archaeological work on their land.
- 3. To abide by all laws and customs when on lands under the control of the various Indian Tribes.
- 4. Never, under any conditions, to engage in illicit digging in archaeological or historical sites, disturbance of graves, or any activity for the purpose of acquiring objects of antiquity for personal use or commercial gain.
- 5. To leave camp sites, picnic areas, or research sites in a natural state, free of litter and refuse. Acts of vandalism cannot be tolerated.
- 6. Be sensitive to, and respect the legitimate concerns of groups whose cultural histories are the subject of archaeological investigations.
- 7. Give appropriate credit for work done by others.
- 8. Engage in any illegal or unethical conduct involving archaeological matters or knowingly permit the use of his/her name in support of any illegal or unethical activity involving archaeological matters.
- 9. To be alert for signs of pot-hunting, vandalism, and destruction of antiquities; and to report such activities promptly to the nearest law enforcement agency.