Hidden in the Jungles of Central America, an Entire City Lies Buried For Over a Thousand Years

PYRAMID FILMS, LTD. presents

...THE LOST MAYA CITY

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Narrates an award winning documentary film of discovery and adventure as an international expedition of archaeologist digs out palaces and temples lost for centuries. The discovery of Royal Tombs and mysterious hieroglyphic inscriptions are an exciting climax.

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THE MYSTERIOUS MAYA CIVILIZATION

Long before the famous voyages of Christopher Columbus, some mysterious catastrophe occurred in Central America. An entire civilization of perhaps millions of people suddenly ceased to function...whole cities were abandoned, left empty of any people. What happened? Who were these people? Where did they go?

This is not science fiction! This is the amazing story of an extinct civilization.

As archeologists begin an ordeal of jungle survival, the story of an ancient people comes together like the pieces of a puzzle. In the decayed ruins of these abandoned cities are found the tombs of the Royal Dynasties and mysterious hieroglyphic messages.

The people who built these cities, the temples, the palaces... the people who have left us their story written in hieroglyphic inscriptions...They are a are a very unique group of American Indian Peoples. We call them The Maya.

Now, their story can only be told by archeologists as they sift through the tons of dirt and rubble.

Tikal, Guatemala...
One of the largest cities in the world in 800 A.D.

Palenque, Mexico
Architecture unsurpassed in Ancient America
THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCOVERY
OF THE DECADE...
FILMED ON LOCATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA

There is no question that television audiences love stories of real life adventure and
discovery. "IN CARACOL THE LOST MAYA CITY", Pyramid Films has captured the events of an
international expedition of archaeologists as they discover an amazing city of ruined palaces
and temples in the remote jungles of Central America. We are witness to the discovery of
tombs... Royal Tombs of the Maya rulers are entered as our cameras record a film and
television first.

- The audience participates as tombs sealed tight for 15 centuries are opened.
- Mysterious hieroglyphic inscriptions reveal messages about warfare between
  ancient Maya nations.
- Who were these people and why did they abandon their great cities?
- How does an entire civilization suddenly collapse?

In the jungles of Central America scientists from Yale, Harvard, Southern Methodist University,
and the University of Central Florida struggled to discover the secrets of the Maya people and their
Kings.

"Caracol, the Lost Maya City" ...
an award winning documentary film...

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30th INTERNATIONAL FILM & TELEVISION
FESTIVAL OF NEW YORK 1987
"The Mouth of the Underworld" swallows the dead Maya Rulers. The archaeologist follow this opening deep within the Pyramid to discover the Royal Tombs of Caracol's ruling Dynasty.

The Face of Death... Ceramic vessels such as this are found in or near Royal tombs.

Other ceramic vessels give us a clear window to the ancient Past... here we see a Maya ballplayer... this game was a forerunner of today's soccer. The Maya took this game seriously, Losers were beheaded.
At Caracol archaeologists and workers excavate the massive Temple Of Caana (Sky Place) a 15 story pyramid.

Film crew at opening of 1st Royal Tomb... everyone what's to be the first to see inside.

Film crew setting up for yet another shot

Archaeology staff at base camp in remote Maya mountains.