

Ancestral Spirituality - Lucy Penna, Ph.D.

Penna, L. - Espiritualidade Ancestral na Ilha do Marajó, Amazônia.
Fragmentos de Cultura, Goiás, v.16 n.5/6, p. 363-379, maio/junho, 2006.

A Junguian interpretation of the symbols decorating the pottery of mound builders of Marajo Island in Brazil is proposed. Archetypal symbols engraved on the thousand year old art of the Marajoara people support the assumption that some sort of ritual honoring feminine deities took place at the mouth of the Amazon River, prior to the European colonization.

KEY WORDS

Indigenous spirituality
Primitive mythology
Great Mother
Amazonian myths
Brazilian goddesses