

HUNI KUIN CEREMONIES WITH SACRED PLANTS OF THE AMAZON

WITH
NAWA PANÃ,
NESHANE & MANÁ

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Retreats like this one are born of the vision of creating an ALLIANCE between the indigenous peoples of this world and the Maison de Paille, which wishes to offer a space for intercultural exchange.



The Huni Kuin people are mostly inhabitants of the rainforest, spreading from the region at the foot of the Andes in Peru to the south of Amazonas and Acre states in Brazil.



One of the speakers of the isolated “pano” linguistic family, they still speak their language fluently and keep their cosmovision alive through their stories, spirituality, festivals, and traditional ceremonies.

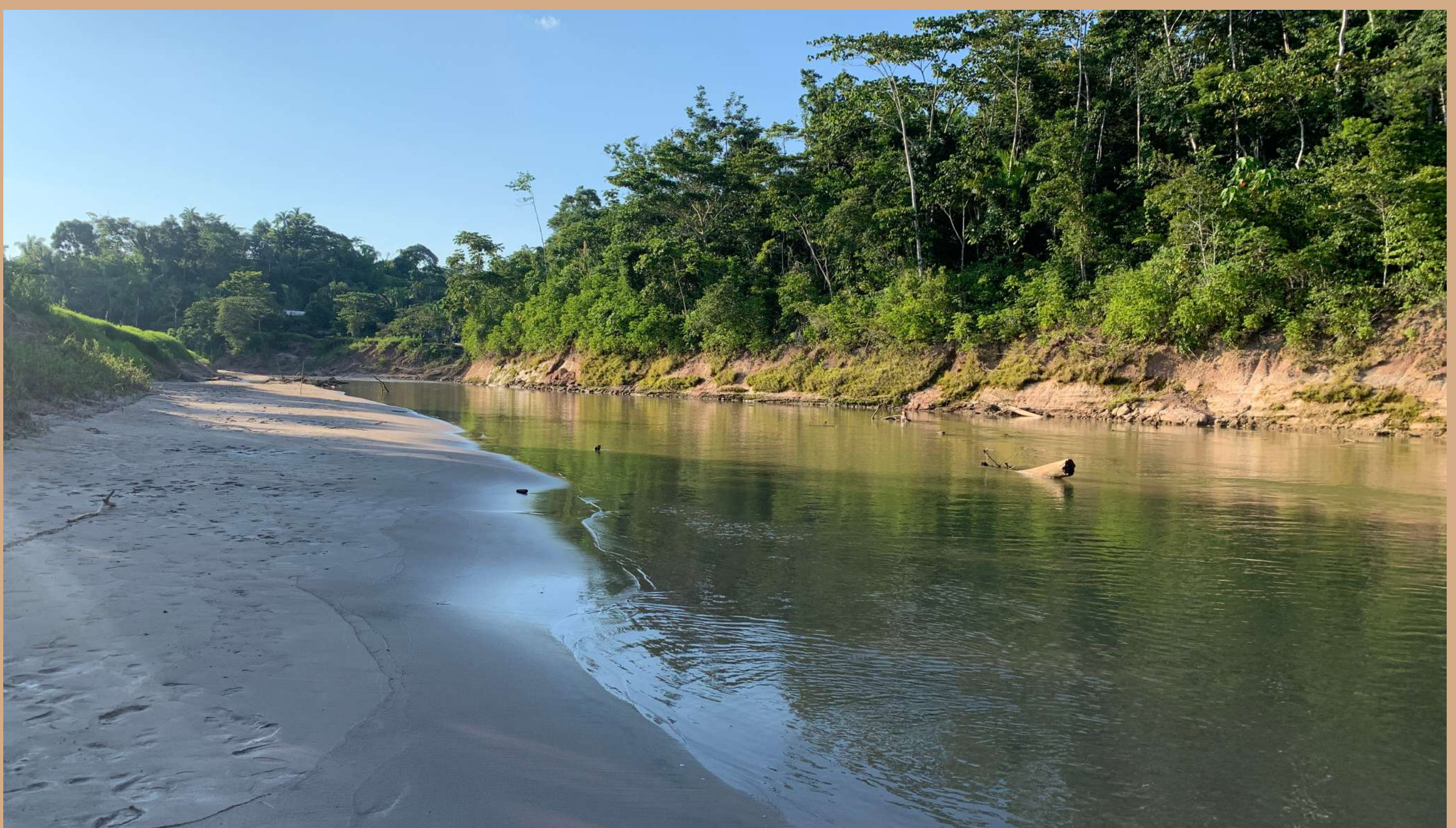
The Huni Kuin divide their history into five periods: the time of the malocas, when they lived together in a common big house; the time of the running, when they needed to make long escapes, due to invasions in their territory; the time of the serfdom, when they were forced to work in the rubber plantations under slavery conditions; the time of the rights, when the people have their territory demarcated and freedom to practice their culture; and the Xinã Bena time, which is the current moment, where the Huni Kuin people open themselves up to cultural exchanges, weave alliances, and take their culture and cosmovision to the world, because, according to them, the present time demands it, both for the resistance of the forest people and for humanity itself.

About the Rio Jordão Indigenous Land: this is a land demarcated in the early 1990s, conquered after a process of struggle, articulation, and organization that marked the “time of rights”, a period



in which the Huni Kuin made the transition from a reality of exploitation in the rubber plantations to a scenario of self-management and management of the territory. There are 36 villages along the Jordão, the last of which is located a few kilometers from Peru.

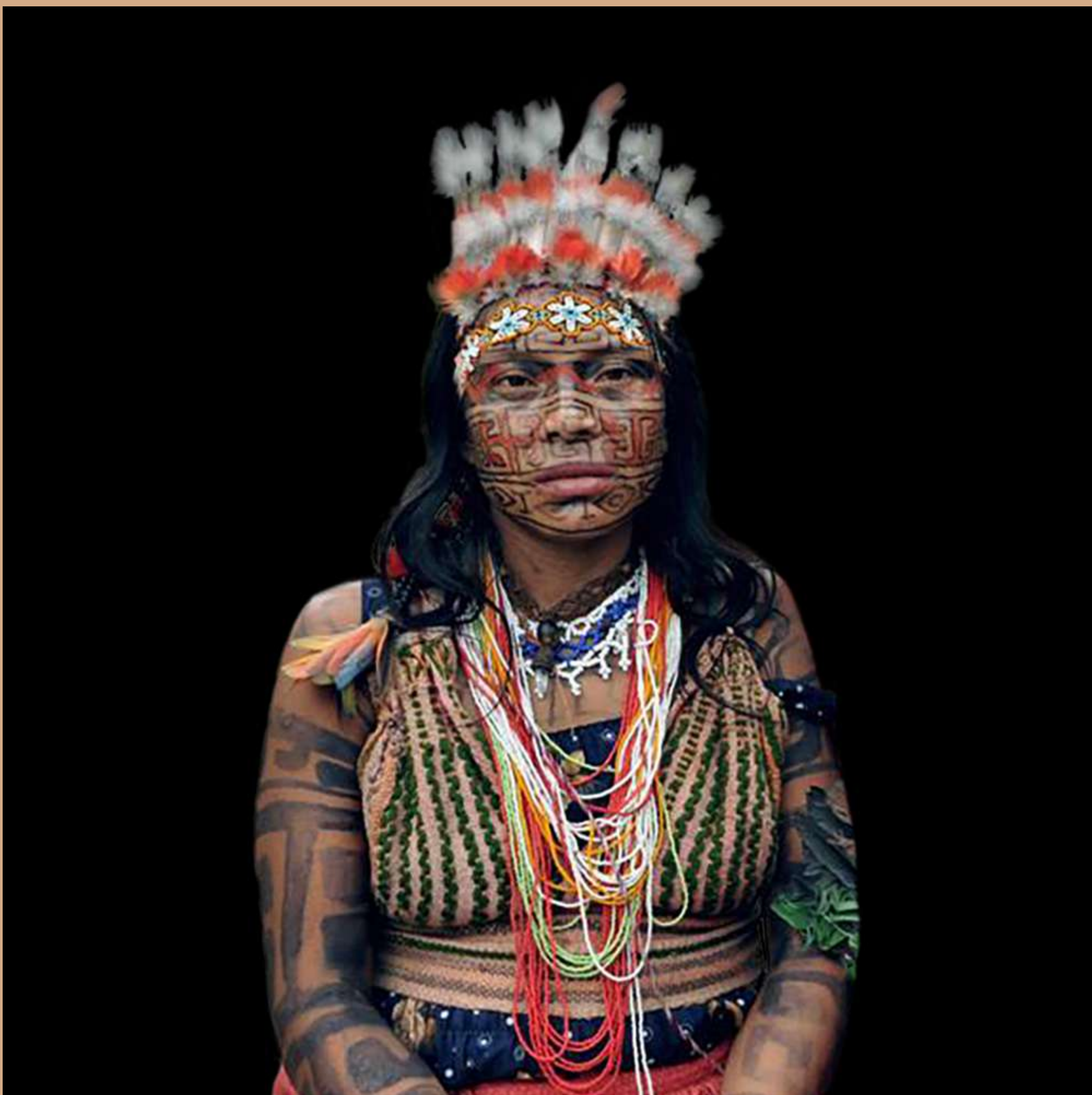
The Huni Kuin people living in this territory maintain much of the knowledge related to rites of passage, celebrations, stories, cuisine, medicines and traditional songs. They speak the Hantxa Kuin extensively and communicate with nature in a very precise way.



SPIRITUAL LEADERS

Zenira Neshane

Zenira is the daughter of Maria Sabino Huni Kuin and Sabino Dua Ixã Huni Kuin, two very important leaders of this people. Zenira began early to study with her mother about handicraft, the graphic patterns, plants, cooking, spirituality and place of knowledge of women inside the tradition. Neshane is one of the few women recognized as a pajé within her people. Besides her being a master craftswoman with a large knowledge about the patterns, she also studied the sacred songs and healing techniques of the Huni Kuin tradition.



SPIRITUAL LEADERS

Nawa Panã

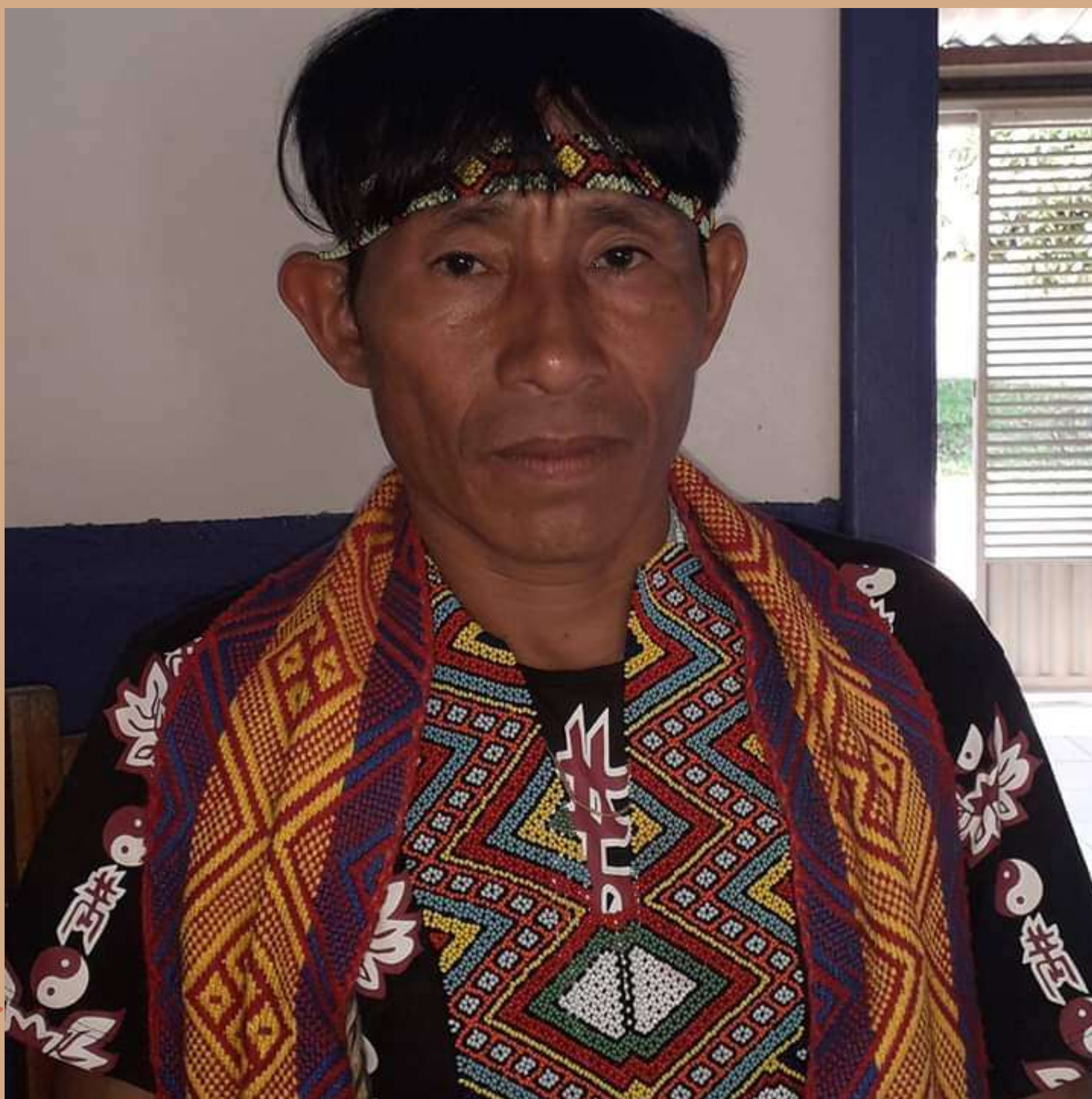
Nawa comes from Boa Vista Village, he is the son of the pajé (spiritual leader) Inkamuru and has been studying with his father for many years. This gave him a large experience in the study of the tradition of sacred plants as well as other forest medicines. He also works with the youth of his village as a spiritual leader. He was chosen by his community and the leaders for being a great txana (performance shaman) and an expert in medicine songs, conducting ceremonies in Brazil, Europe and Mexico.



SPIRITUAL LEADERS

Txaná Maná

He is a teacher and leader of the Novo Segredo village, one of the most distant in the indigenous land of the Jordão river, 6 days by pirogue from the nearest road. He works with education and culture, through cultural exchange projects and authorial production of didactic material. Maná learned about the spirituality of his people from his father and father-in-law, the pajé Sabino Dua Ixã. He has deep knowledge about traditional Huni Kuin medicines, stories and diets.



PLACE

La Maison de Paille



The Maison de Paille is a seminar center located in the idyllic setting of the Clos du Doubs, in the Swiss Jura. Founded about twenty years ago under the impulse of Jacques Froidevaux, it was built according to the principles of eco-construction, with local earth, straw and wood as main materials. This constantly evolving eco-environment regularly hosts and organizes retreats and seminars as well as cultural and festive events. The Maison de Paille is a space for sharing and encounters, with great confidence in the deep impulse that each human being has within. Mutual enrichment in exchanging, opening of the heart, healing...

The Maison de Paille also includes a Tipi village that welcomes stays in nature as well as ceremonies and seminars in a very special setting in connection with the elements.



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COSTS

Offers

1 ceremony: CHF 350.-
2 ceremonies: CHF 650.-



- Extra healing sessions:

- 1 KAMBÔ SESSION: CHF 100.-

Kambô is a secretion coming from a giant frog of Amazonia. It is used against infections and to prevent diseases, but also as a physical and mental invigorator and as an analgesic. It has no psychedelic effects and also seems to help get rid of addictions. More information can be found at <https://lamaisondépaille.ch/kambo/>

- 1 RAMPAYÃ SESSION: CHF 80.-

A ritual during which chili is applied to the tongue with a bird's beak, accompanied by prayers, to give the strength and powers of the spirits of nature, to acquire a good memory and to learn to open one's voice.

- Meals and accomodation (included in the ceremonies' price):

- Organic, vegan and gluten free meals:

- breakfast the day after the ceremonies
 - lunch for participants staying for 2 ceremonies
 - fruits, nuts and healthy beverages in the afternoon, before the ceremonies

- Accomodation (for participants staying for 2 ceremonies):
single/double room or dormitory according to availabilty, shared bathroom

CONTACT

Registrations



Please contact Kevin Fox for registration and further information about the programme and the rituals/treatments. Kevin works with several shamanic traditions and medicines. He will hold one-on-one meetings with each participant before the ceremonies and will be of service over the weekend:

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For any information about the Huni Kuin and their traditions, please contact Rodrigo Moreiras, who guides these three pajés to the Maison de Paille. Rodrigo is a psychologist conducting research into the therapeutic use of psychedelics; he is also an archaeologist conducting research into the medicinal plants used by pre-Columbian American societies. He has been working with the Huni Kuin people for 15 years. He also contributes to events focusing on the indigenous worldview and the use of their medicines.

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