The Kon-Tiki expedition was a 1947 journey by raft across the Pacific Ocean from South America to the Polynesian islands, led by Norwegian explorer and writer Thor Heyerdahl. The raft was named Kon-Tiki after the Inca sun god, Viracocha, for whom "Kon-Tiki" was said to be an old name. Kon-Tiki is also the name of Heyerdahl's book, the Academy Award-winning documentary film chronicling his adventures, and the 2012 dramatized feature film nominated for the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film. The museum presents the breadth of Heyerdahl's life's work, from his first trip to Fatu Hiva, to the voyages with the Kon-Tiki, the Ra, the Ra II and the Tigris, as well as the expeditions to the Galàpagos Islands, Easter Island (Rapa Nui) and Tùcume in Peru.

Kon-Tiki is the classic true tale of men against the sea and against scientific orthodoxy. This book discusses the Kon-Tiki expedition, upon which six young men proved that a prehistoric voyage from South America to Polynesia was possible — contrary to the predictions of scientists and scholars.

Heyerdahl's work has led to a revolution in thinking about the roots of South Pacific civilizations. Fascinating!

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