Debunking the doomsday 2012 myth using facts about the Maya: an honors thesis (HONRS 499)

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Abstract:
December 21, 2012 is rapidly approaching and people are getting scared. Due to a misguided marketing campaign and a misinformed rumor mill, many people believe that this day has been prophesized to be the end of the world as we know it. Using evidence from Mayan scholars, elders, and enthusiasts, I provide information on the Mayan civilization as a whole in an easy-to-understand way. I also show how knowing about the mysterious Maya can abate the growing fear of an end-of-the-world prophecy being fulfilled. With this information, I hope to give readers a better understanding of the fascinating Mayan civilization as well as give them a new perspective on this "end of days" hype.

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. 2012 MYTH 1 Maya Predicted End of the World in 2012 The Maya calendar doesn't end in 2012. most of the predicted 2012 cataclysms are easily explained away. Fortunately, because they didn't want to be around when the world ends. and the ancients never viewed that year as the time of the end of the world. "Two women in the last two weeks said they were contemplating killing their children and themselves so they wouldn't have to suffer through the end of the world. (give or take a day) was nonetheless momentous to the Maya. New York. as some have said. 872. But December