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## **Na'atik Language and Culture Institute**

Na'atik Language and Culture Institute is set to attend the EXPOLINGA International Fair for Languages and Cultures from 16 to 17 November at the Russian House of Science and Culture in Berlin.

Representatives from Na'atik will be on hand to talk about the institute's language and cultural immersion programs which offer students the opportunity to learn Spanish or Maya off the beaten path in the heart of the Zona Maya, Mexico.

Located in the Mexican-Maya town of Felipe Carrillo Puerto, Quintana Roo, Na'atik is committed to cross-cultural exchange, as this is where learning is put into action.

Na'atik's Founder and Director Catherine Gray said: "What sets our immersion program apart is that our students learn through cultural integration with their local teachers, engaged homestays, local English language students, and welcoming community."

As part of their language immersion experience, students who study at Na'atik live with a local family. Na'atik's warm and friendly homestay families spend time with their guests, making them feel welcome and giving them the opportunity to practice their Spanish or Maya.

Spanish immersion student Rachel Austin said: "My homestay family was wonderful. They were so welcoming and kind to me, including me in activities and making me feel at home."

The colorful town of Carrillo Puerto is the perfect place to learn Spanish as very few speak English. The language is spoken slowly, is easy to understand, and locals take the time to converse with visitors.

Carrillo Puerto is also within easy traveling distance of some the great attractions that Quintana Roo has to offer, including beautiful Caribbean beaches, impressive archeological sites, and pretty colonial towns.

Gray added: "As one of only a handful of programs in the world that offers Maya language study, Na'atik provides the unique opportunity to discover the real language and culture of the modern Yucatec Maya."

Dedicated to sustainability and its community, Na'atik is fully-solar, partners with local businesses only, and reinvests ten percent of the revenue from its language immersion programs to subsidize their English language program for local students.

For more information about Na'atik, go to [www.naatikmexico.org](http://www.naatikmexico.org) or visit them at EXPOLINGA Berlin.