Ancient Latin American Culture Featured At Fine Arts Museum

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“Pre-Columbian Mystery,” an exhibit recreating the cultures of ancient America, will be open to the public in the Junior Gallery at the Houston Museum of Fine Arts through November 13.

Senor Miguel Alvarez Acosta, Cultural Ambassador of Mexico, is assembling a group of large reproductions for the exhibition made under the auspices of the Mexican government and subject to its approval.

CO-INCIDENTAL with the celebration of the 150th anniversary of independence from the European countries which fostered the demise of these early cultures in Mexico, Columbia, Chile and Argentina, the “Pre-Columbian Mystery” will transport the visitor back into time corresponding with the Egyptian, Greek and Roman civilizations.

We were treated to a preview of the new exhibit and permitted to see the tedium of work and preparation which the genesis of such a show entails.

Original pieces in the stone and terra cotta mediums primarily will come from Houston patrons and will include figures of gods, serpents and animals. Pieces of Peruvian weaving and burial cloths will be on display for the inspection of the visitor.