

# **Jim Smith is Tom Brown / pdecordoba / jschiapas / Wikipedia violator / 2012Hoax user**

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Jim Smith (apparently his real name) is demonstrably one and the same as all the above people (Tom Brown, pdecordoba, jschiapas, etc). This is a detailed narrative and provides the documentation and evidentiary links; please see the end of this file for a concise bullet-point brief of the same sequence, which reveals who Jim Smith is and how he employs unethical tactics of slander and misrepresentation.

On March 15, 2010, I was contacted by a “Tom Brown” who was using the email [pdecordoba@yahoo.com](mailto:pdecordoba@yahoo.com). He announced that he had posted a review of my recent book *The 2012 Story* on Amazon. I read and responded to his review and critiques. An email exchange ensued that ran to early May of 2010. Several things can be said about this exchange:

1. His “review” of my book *The 2012 Story* did not actually treat the contents of that book. Instead, his lengthy and rambling review dealt with my general “2012 alignment theory” as found in my 1998 book *Maya Cosmogenesis 2012*. “Tom Brown” was merely using the Amazon comments section as a billboard for his editorializing critique.
2. In my first email response to “Tom Brown”, and in subsequent ones, I responded to his critiques and questions. Certain clarifications were necessary. Tom Brown did not apparently like my clarifications and qualifications, and he did not respond directly to them. A true dialogue was not possible as “Tom Brown” became increasingly abusive and accusatory.
3. I directed “Tom Brown” to additional writings and sources of information that would help him understand my approach --- that I was concerned with reconstructing what the ancient Maya believed about 2012. He stated that he didn’t care what the ancient Maya believed. I also directed him to my online page, posted since 1999, that provided clear definitions and a graphic display of the galactic alignment process. This also did not seem to satisfy him.
4. As his vehement language escalated, and he accused me of evading his questions, I suggested he re-read my responses, which in fact did address his questions. It became impossible to continue and the exchange ended in early May.

“Tom Brown” disappeared. A Jim Smith then appeared, who posted the following on a forum which proves that he is one and the same as the “Tom Brown” who had contacted me a short time earlier:

From “Jim Smith Chiapas,” on <http://www.bautforum.com/showthread.php/103153-Question-on-redshifts-in-Crutenden-s-Binary-Sun-model>: “Thanks, George, for the info and suggestions (as well as the humor!). By the way, if you ever get the time I'd really appreciate it if you'd look over [my Amazon review](#) of John Major Jenkins' book *The 2012 Story*, and the two comments I appended to it. I wrote them under

the name of "Pdecordoba", on 2 February 2010. If you see any errors, or have any suggestions, you can contact me at [nitac14b@yahoo.com](mailto:nitac14b@yahoo.com). So can anyone else who's reading this."

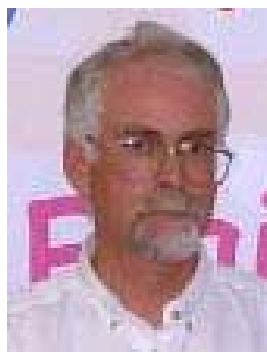
Note that the authorship of the same Amazon review of my book (by "Tom Brown") was claimed by this Jim Smith, even stating that he used the same username of "pdecordoba" that Tom Brown's email address contained. Also, his Amazon moniker (pdecordoba) resides in "Chiapas, Mexico." This ties in with Jim Smith's other username used elsewhere, of "jschiapas." See Appendix 1 below for an image from the Bautforum page linked above, where it is apparent that on March 9, 2012, Jim Smith deleted his posts of April 2010, probably in an attempt to eradicate the evidence that he was deceptively masquerading to me as Tom Brown. Fortunately, a senior member had clipped Smith's above statement, and that survives on the current page linked above (accessed on June 16, 2012). A screenshot of that is pasted below in Appendix 1.

A search of Jim Smith's stated email address of [nitac14b@yahoo.com](mailto:nitac14b@yahoo.com) further clarified his real identity as a "missionary" teacher in Chiapas, Mexico, associated with Diane Horrisberger-Smith (apparently his wife) on Flixter and the Sovereign Grace Baptist Fellowship in Tullahoma, TN, where apparently his father, James Smith, was a Baptist pastor. A web page called "Clearing up the 2012 Sky" contains a photo of Jim and his wife, and contains the following meta name codes:

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<meta name="description" content="The missionary work of Jim and Diane Smith in San Cristobal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico">
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<meta name="keywords" content="Jim and Diane Smith, 2012, 2012, 2012, clearing up the sky of 2012, 2012 the movie, the truth about 2012,san cristobal de las casas, Chiapas, Mexico, mexican vacation, paradise, help the needy, who are the poor, who are the hungry">
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Manchester, TN and nearby Tullahoma, TN phonebook search results are omitted. On related pages (connected to [www.theflatironarchives.com](http://www.theflatironarchives.com)) we find another picture of Jim, next to his wife and looking happy at a party:



*Jim Smith: the Inquisitor  
with many names*

Curiously, in December 2009 Jim Smith posted a review of Anthony Aveni's 2012 book, on a recently launched (new) web domain named <http://the2012story.org>. This web domain imitated my own domain that I launched some months earlier for the release of

my book, <http://the2012story.com>. This begins to suggest the deceptive and crafty strategies of obfuscation and meddling that Jim Smith would be capable of, which future events confirmed. In his review of Aveni's book, Jim Smith confessed that he was "not knowledgeable about mesoamerican archaeology" but, nevertheless, that he "could confirm that Aveni represents Jenkins' work accurately and treats his viewpoints respectfully." In actual fact, Aveni's comments on me and my work are prejudiced and inaccurate. Aveni labels me a "Gnostic" who seeks to mystify the Maya (which in his mind mitigates my ability to be rational), and he asserts that I believe Izapa Stela 25 represents the galactic alignment (both assertions are not true, but are useful in his straw-man demolition of my work). So, the problems with Jim Smith's knowledge-base and ability to accurately assess my work, as well as the veracity of my scholarly critics, are staggering right at the onset, even before he reviewed my book on Amazon.

In a disturbing display of goading acrimony that would come to typify his treatment of me, Jim Smith poses as an "engineer" in San Cristobal (Chiapas) in order to criticize and bait "Jesus Radicals": <http://forums.jesusradicals.com/showthread.php/new-member-chiapas-1811.html?s=d0f07eab449f3ddaccffe97e065f4376&p=14820>. We begin to see how Smith is an energy vampire.

There are many revealing comments, misunderstandings, and lines of attack in Tom-Brown-Jim-Smith's emails to me between March-May of 2010. The following example is telling for two reasons: 1) he completely inverts what I actually stated in the article I sent him; and 2) this very same oddly skewed and inverted reading of my views on Cruttenden's theory was faithfully echoed in an addition to my Wikipedia name entry that was posted a short time later. Let's take a look. On April 28, 2010, TomBrownJimSmith sent me the following email with the subject line "Why not put your mushrooms where your mouth is?":

"Thanks for sending me [the link where you praise Cruttenden's book as blazing the way toward a profound new understanding of our solar system, including the "real causes of precession..."](#)

The article in question (linked above) actually called into question several of Cruttenden's views, and did NOT "praise" Cruttenden's book for "blazing a new trail." I began with stating the value that we must be open-minded to new ideas, but as anyone can see who reads the article, I disagree with Cruttenden's Yuga-timing ideas. And yet I did write an endorsement statement for the book, in which I carefully stated that we should be open to testing and investigating new theories that could result in a new understanding of our world. My published "endorsement" reads:

"There is a revolution underway in how we understand the cosmos – and it is based on ancient starlore and mythology. [Here I am alluding to the revolution started by the book *Hamlet's Mill* in 1969, which led to my own work and that of others] In this pioneering book, a completely new theory has been parsed out from ancient texts and modern astrophysical data: our sun may be part of a binary star system."

This "endorsement" is a mere statement of fact. The distinction is clear, but not to TomBrownJimSmith. My response to him, in part, was as follows:

Tom,

First, your subject line sets the stage for a certain level of low-brow antagonism that I will nevertheless side step. What I advocated in my plagiarized piece on Cruttenden's work, is being open-minded when challenging new theories are presented. It's similar to supporting a person's freedom of speech although you may disagree with what they are saying. As for Cruttenden's theory, I disagree with several points, and I've been on record saying so. I have supported treated it fairly, rationally, and accurately on its own terms. Also, just because you can find a website that debunks something in Googleland doesn't mean that it has definitively been proven untrue. That's pretty undiscerning of you. You are clearly predisposed to being convinced that Cruttenden's theory is incorrect, so that you can cast aspersions on me, and you aren't being objectively discerning or rational in your treatment of me or Cruttenden. This is a common phenomenon, in which debunkers aren't rational skeptics but rather *faithful believers in an opposite*. So, you are an undiscerning fundamentalist whose mind is closed. -4-28-2010.

After this exchange ended, there occurred a series of attempted defamatory posts on my Wikipedia name entry, misleadingly phrased and cited. Most of these were ultimately rejected by the Wiki moderators, but the one about me supposedly agreeing with Cruttenden's theory (demonstrably unsupported by the source cited on Wikipedia) somehow survived the clean-up and remains there to this day. In any case, this and other examples below provide evidence that the Wikipedia saboteur was none other than Jim Smith.

### **After May 2010**

Jim Smith's attacks on my name, work, and career, were just beginning. After our initial email exchange ended in May of 2010, a series of unethical, amoral, and intellectually dishonest things occurred in online venues that are all traceable to Jim Smith. I think they are best characterized as slanderous sabotage, committed under attempted cowardly anonymity. In the "Tom Brown" / Jim Smith / pdecordoba / jschiapas baffle, Jim Smith's tendency to use aliases is already demonstrated.

Sometime after May 2010 the Wikipedia entry under my name, "John Major Jenkins", began to be infiltrated and compromised with inaccurate, untrue, and misleadingly phrased summaries. The primary, but not the only, attempt at defamation, involved an accusation that I advocated drug use. In my books and articles I have presented and discussed the evidence for the Maya's use of psychoactive compounds, including little known evidence from Izapa. I have discussed the role of hallucinogens in Old World and Indigenous ceremonies of initiation, and I have openly discussed my own experiences with these substances as being catalysts for spiritual awakening, creativity, and intellectual problem solving. But I have never "advocated" their use; in fact, in my 2009 book *The 2012 Story* I explicitly stated that the experimental journeys should not be repeated or attempted. But Jim Smith, via his polemical and inaccurate Wikipedia slanders, asserted that I did "advocate" drug use, and there was a whole section under that heading, of his creation, in my Wiki biography.

I did not discover this until July 2010. I didn't launch my own name entry on Wikipedia, and I didn't even know there was one on Wikipedia until July. Someone else launched it, just like someone else (probably Jim Smith) launched a clone domain of my the2012story.com website. It's not critical to prove that Jim Smith launched my Wiki

entry, but it can be shown that he aggressively infiltrated it and violated the Wiki terms of use. He probably engaged in what is called “sock puppetry” (creating multiple member aliases that you control) and perhaps “meat puppetry” (getting other people to collaborate on creating the illusion of consensus in approving various polemically-charged and damaging additions to the entry).

When I dealt with this after returning from travels in August, 2010, the unbiased and helpful Wiki moderators took one look at what was happening on my page and agreed that the page was being unethically abused for the purposes of defamation, mainly by one user. This user, who had mysteriously been backed up by at least one other user, exploded in contempt (in the background discussion pages) when this occurred. This explosion of contempt was similar to what was simultaneously posted on the 2012Hoax website. By Jim Smith. It is not clear if the Wiki abuser quit of his own accord or was blocked from continuing to violate the Wiki terms. But jschiapas / Jim Smith clearly found a new home for his slanderous and inaccurate attacks on me and my work.

On the 2012Hoax page under my name, we find Jim-Smith-style screeds on my alleged “advocacy of drug use,” including a play-by-play of the events that had just unfolded on Wikipedia (<http://www.2012hoax.org/john-major-jenkins>). Very interesting, and very telling. This can clearly be connected with the person who had just been ousted from Wiki as an unethical, biased, and irrational member. As can be seen in our email exchange, Jim Smith had sniped that I was a mushroom eater, so given the temporal sequence of events, and the usernames, it’s not hard to see that the Wikipedia terrorist and the 2012Hoax terrorist are one and the same: Jim Smith. The fact is that the Wikipedia moderators agreed that Smith’s behavior was unacceptable and unethical. By a basic standard of factual responsibility, he should therefore not be taken seriously as an unbiased and rational critic of my work ANYWHERE. But certain websites, such as Bill Hudson’s 2012Hoax.org and Johan Normark’s Archaeological Haecities, continue to do so. This is because they have a superficial understanding of 2012 and my work, are biased toward rejected all-things-2012, and thus freely offer their platforms to amoral sophists like Jim Smith who are willing to abandon their humanity and craft clever and defamatory polemical narratives which are totally based on lies and misinformation.

William Hudson, who set up and moderates the 2012Hoax site, envisions it as a kind of member-based Wiki-like site. Like Wiki, he too has ethical guidelines against “cherry picking” quotes out of context, indulging in misleading polemics, and so on, but he does not employ or enforce those guidelines without insistent requests that he do so. In mid-2012, after much effort by me in the face of Hudson’s evasive responses, regarding the fact that for many years I was identified as a “proponent” of the doomsday-2012 position on Hudson’s front page, he finally switched me over to a heading under “author” instead of “proponent.” A mild yet decisive victory for factual truth.

However, other posts on Hoax2012.org, explicitly claimed by Jim Smith, continue to be maintained on Hudson’s website. You would think that once a member, for example Jim Smith, has been identified as not abiding by Wikipedia standards (as well as engaging in personal axe-grinding with little basis in factual reporting), then *ALL of their posts would be come under scrutiny*. Not so on Hudson’s website. Like Johan Normark, he will maintain as many irrational and inaccurate posts about me and other 2012 writers as possible, because it serves his commitment to a low-minded brand of scientific

materialism and the eradication of ideologies that they find personally distasteful. While they craft a veneer of scientific principles, there is no science happening there.

After May 2010, Jim Smith was also responsible for at least one Youtube video, which he must have spent some time constructing out of stills and captions taken from my work. It basically reiterated the same critiques sent to me months earlier by Tom Brown / Jim Smith, and which I responded to in detail, to no avail. The person who posted the video(s) is easily traced to Jim Smith.

So, in Jim Smith we have a person who aggressively took it upon himself to attack and attempt to damage my ideas, my career, and my reputation. The psychological reasons for this can only be guessed, but I suspect it has to do with the fragile neurotic personality profile of the pathology-prone debunker type. It can probably be traced to our email exchange of March-April 2010, where I bluntly corrected him about his misconceptions regarding my work. The problem is that he rejected the fact that my effort has been to reconstruct how the ancient Maya thought about 2012. The identified Maya ideas, which are profoundly sophisticated and non-dual in nature, do not make sense to a one-dimensional linear thinker like Jim Smith, so like the inquisitors of old, annihilation of the offending person or ideas becomes the only option. I can only hope that Jim Smith will acknowledge his amoral and irrational agenda against me and will seek professional treatment for his mental problems.

### **To Summarize:**

- In December 2009, Jim Smith reviewed Aveni's recent "2012" book on a new domain called [www.the2012Story.org](http://www.the2012Story.org), which oddly mirrors my own previously created domain, named after my book, called [www.the2012story.com](http://www.the2012story.com). In his review, Smith confesses that he doesn't know much about Mesoamerican archaeology.
- In February of 2010 "pdecordoba" posted his review of my book *The 2012 Story* on the Amazon review page for it.
- In March of 2010, Jim Smith contacted me under the alias of "Tom Brown" and requested my response to his Amazon "review" of my book *The 2012 Story* (which was really a general critique of my work based on my 1998 book *Maya Cosmogogenesis 2012*.)
- I responded patiently and in detail to his many questions and critiques over a six-week period, to May 2010.
- "Tom Brown" did not respond to or accept my explanations and offering for dialogues, and instead escalated his vitriolic accusations; the exchanges ends.
- Jim Smith sends a comment to the [Bauforum](#) that, as pdecordoba, he posted a review of my book on Amazon; **this confirms that Jim Smith is Tom Brown.**
- Jim Smith then posts the same critiques, which I fully and honestly responded to in detail, in the form of a video to Youtube. This video propagated the inaccurate information and assumptions about my work that I had already corrected and clarified in my responses to Jim Smith (aka Tom Brown) --- and which Tom Brown did not respond to with any attempt to have a rational dialogue.

- In July of 2010 a Wiki member identifiable as Jim Smith posts salacious and inaccurate polemical additions (including a topical heading determined by the Wiki moderators to be irrelevant and below Wiki standards) to my “John Major Jenkins” entry on Wiki. I attempt to correct these posts, but Jim Smith and probably his sock puppet / meat puppet agents immediately delete my changes. The Wiki moderators are contacted (in August), they assess the tracked history of changes, and determine that Jim Smith is not abiding by the standards of unbiased and relevant Wikipedia postings. An angst ridden scream occurs on the Wiki discussions page. The offending abuser disappears.
- Immediately, a person identifiable as Jim Smith posts a play-by-play of the Wiki events on William Hudson’s 2012Hoax.org website, with the exact same accusation of drug advocacy that was rejected by the Wikipedia standard bearers. Hudson uncritically supports, and continues, to maintain, this defamatory and inaccurate misinformation on his Wiki-like member-defined forum.
- Jim Smith continued to find a home for his slanders on other websites, such as Johan Normark’s Archaeological Haecities. Without apparently realizing that he, like Hudson, was a tool for Smith’s venomous and unethical axe-grinding agenda, throughout 2011 and early 2012 Normark approves and ideologically agrees with Smith’s comments about me and my associations.
- In June 2012, Jim Smith reappears on Normark’s site, after “6 months” of being out of the “2012” game, and wonders why I do not respond to his various critiques, on Normark’s site and 2012Hoax.
- I decide to organize my files on Jim Smith / Tom Brown, an unreliable and unethical commentator on my work whose attempts to malign me personally and professionally were below the standards of Wikipedia. And yet, he continues to be abetted by William Hudson and Johan Normark. These events also demonstrate and underscore the unprofessional behavior of those two alleged rationalists.

Thinking back to my lengthy responses to Jim Smith over two years ago, when he was masquerading for reasons unknown as “Tom Brown”, I have composed this narrative and will share it with Jim Smith, Johan Normark, and William Hudson. It documents the pathologically irrational behavior of one 2012 debunker-priest, who was willing to abandon his intellectual principles and his morality in order to cast slanderous aspersion on me, even after I did attempt to communicate clearly with him. I did not bow to his arrogant, irrational, and under-informed assertions, and therefore in his mind I must be attacked. These people, like Jim Smith, are pathological pariahs; they inhabit all sectors of our society. They need to be exposed even while they take on various disguises in order to deceive. The proliferation of anonymous contributors to member-defined websites like Wikipedia and 2012Hoax.org has encouraged these energy vampires. In addition, uncritical and unthinking yes-men like William Hudson and Johan Normark need to be taken to task, for representing themselves as fact-based defenders of rationalism and scientific rigor, when in fact they are so easily manipulated as tools of morally bankrupt poseurs who whisper in their ears exactly what they want to hear.

Note: My response to Villaseñor and others is posted at <http://Update2012.com>

## Appendix 1:

19-April-2010 01:16 AM #12

 **George** ◦  
Order of Kilopi

Join Date: Sep 2003  
Posts: 10,048

Originally Posted by **Jim Smith Chiapas** ◦

*By the way, if you ever get the time I'd really appreciate it if you'd look over my Amazon review of John Major Jenkins' book *The 2012 Story*, and the two comments I appended to it.*

I've avoided the 2012 hooplah. I've been to marvelous Palenque and I respect the remarkable Mayan astronomy but only in the context of their time. I haven't seen anything to convince me a prescience exists in their calendar, though I'm not really looking. People tend to believe what they want to believe, which works very favorably for Hollywood and other showmen.

You will find many here that will be happy to elaborate on any one of those alignment claims. Simply list them. If you like debunking, you've come to right place. 😊

*Lighten up! This is a board!*

My math is improving faster and faster since I am now learning from all my mistakes.

08-June-2010 10:10 PM #13

**Jim Smith Chiapas** ◦  
Junior Member

Join Date: Apr 2010  
Posts: 10

Discussion with a Binary Sun sympathizer: what arguments worked best.

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Last edited by Jim Smith Chiapas; 09-March-2012 at 12:45 AM.

From: <http://www.bautforum.com/showthread.php/103153-Question-on-redshifts-in-Cruttenden-s-Binary-Sun-model> (accessed June 16, 2012)

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"Thanks, George, for the info and suggestions (as well as the humor!). By the way, if you ever get the time I'd really appreciate it if you'd look over [my Amazon review](#) of John Major Jenkins' book *The 2012 Story*, and the two comments I appended to it. I wrote them under the name of "Pdecordoba", on 2 February 2010. If you see any errors, or have any suggestions, you can contact me at [nitac14b@yahoo.com](mailto:nitac14b@yahoo.com). So can anyone else who's reading this."

## Appendix 2:

After Jim Smith-Tom Brown re-appeared and leadingly wondered to Johan Normark why I hadn't responded to his critiques, I sent this to the Archaeological Haecities thread on June 16, 2012:



“To respond to Jim’s and Johan’s interest in why I supposedly haven’t responded to Jim Smith’s previous questions/critiques about my work, the answer is 1) I responded at length to Jim Smith over a six week period of email exchanges when he contact me under the alias “Tom Brown” in March of 2010; and 2) as an effective dialogue, that exchange was meaningless because “Tom Brown” did not reply to my patiently presented explanations and corrections but rather he escalated his comments into vitriolic accusations. The question of great importance for understanding the motivations of Jim Smith and what drove his subsequent sabotage campaigns is this:

Jim, why did you contact me under an alias name, Tom Brown, in early 2010?”

Ongoing at: <http://haecceities.wordpress.com/2012/02/16/2012-jenkins-is-being-misunderstood-again/#comment-6129>

### **Appendix 3:**

Here is my first response to “Tom Brown” (Jim Smith) and his Amazon “review” of my book *The 2012 Story*:

From: John Major Jenkins <kahib@ix.netcom.com>  
Subject: RE: A review of The 2012 Story  
To: "Tom Brown" <pdecordoba@yahoo.com>  
Date: Monday, March 15, 2010, 4:18 PM

Tom,

Thanks for the heads up. On first glance, it's odd, and inappropriate in a review of *The 2012 Story*, that you are quoting from *Maya Cosmogogenesis 2012*. I've opted for simple diagrams as I've learned that obscure astrophysical photo montages are unhelpful for illustrating the alignment. Nevertheless, the astronomical processes are defined and discussed from the two vantages of 1) precise astronomical science and 2) mythological and naked-eye astronomy-based constructs known to exist in Maya star lore. The misunderstanding that critics wield --- especially professional Maya scholars --- is amply demonstrated on the debates at <http://Update2012.com> (May and October updates especially). You didn't mention this website --- it was launched last summer and there are links to it from Alignment2012.com. It is easy to see that Freidel, Stuart, Aveni, Krupp, and other critics are barely even accessing the descriptions and definitions that you chide as being insufficient --- they are in fact critiquing phantom projections of their own biased assumptions about what my work is about. None of them actually address the evidence that I've brought to bear in support of my thesis, and instead wield a myopic brand of sophistry to conclude that the alignment isn't even real astronomy. Imagine that.

Another item that applies to your own critique is that it is easy to pick quotes from my different books that are addressed to different contexts, namely, the mythopoetic descriptions of the conceptual underpinnings of the galactic alignment (which seem poetic, vague, and obscure to the scientist) versus the precise scientific definitions that

*I've in fact pioneered in regard to the galactic alignment, openly discussing the ranges and parameters.* In the quotes you compare below [in your Amazon "review" of my work], you've merely isolated the reason why, in my later and more recent writings, I've bent over backwards to not give the impression that the alignment happens only in 2012. The language used in MC2012, (such as "pinpointed") was not intended to mean one millisecond, or even one day. Within the larger frame of the precession cycle, a decade would be a pinpoint. But yet, in this example and many others, I've adjusted my terminology so that there can be no doubt. Meanwhile, the real information and evidence goes un-addressed --- such as the evidence that the ancient Maya utilized the dark rift as a cognitive and astronomical reference point for the cycle ending in their calendar. That's pretty compelling and simple stuff; and completely ignored by my critics. For example, you didn't mention Izapa or Tortuguero Monument 6, the subject of Chapter 7 in *The 2012 Story*. We can get all angst ridden over semantics with the alignment forever, my friend, but the fact remains that the evidence indicates that the ancient Maya intended December 21, 2012 to mark the rare precession-based alignment of the December solstice sun with the dark rift in the Milky Way. Can you think of a better way to state this? Please share, I've been working at not confusing my die-hard critics for 20 years.

It's also possible at this stage of my career, having written over 15 books and having done hundreds of interviews addressed to different audiences, to find statements that contradict each other. You can do that with Einstein too. No surprise there; that's the nature of ideational thinking and writing; the differences and contradictions will often depend on which set of perspectives one was holding in mind at the time of speaking or writing. These things are common in a large body of work. Your further comments are oddly passive-aggressive, implying that I have not identified why the galactic alignment is a "once-in-a-26,000-year" event. If, by this phrase, you are thinking I mean that it happens on one day, then you are mistaken, and there are ample statements in my work that you've neglected to cite that supply the necessary clarification. It's always amazing to me how some people can be so creative in the myriad number of ways that they can find to misunderstand something, especially if they want to. The galactic alignment is a fact of astronomy; you can see the diagrams and moving images at my page "What is the Galactic Alignment?" Your critique, generally, is similar to the one made by Marcos Villaseñor [with David Freidel], and I'll be posting a response to that pretty soon [it is here: <http://update2012.com/ResponsetoVillasenor.html>]. Best wishes,

John Major Jenkins

--- MJM. June 17, 2012.