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**Fifth meeting of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management and
the International Seminar on United Nations Global Geospatial Information
Management with the theme "effective land administration"
Aguascalientes, Mexico
8 – 11 April 2024**

Logistical and Information Note

Preamble

This Fifth meeting of the United Nations Expert Group on Land Administration and Management is hosted by the National Institute of Statistics and Geography (Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía) (INEGI) of Mexico with the support of the Mexican Cadastre Institute (Instituto Mexicano de Catastro) (INMECA) and the Permanent Committee of Cadastre in Latin America (El Comité Permanente de Catastro en Iberoamérica) (CPCI). The fifth meeting will also incorporate the Second International Seminar on United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management with the theme ‘Effective land administration’.

In this logistical and information note, you will find relevant information about the logistics and arrangements for the Fifth meeting of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management and the International Seminar on United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management with the theme "effective land administration", including information on the venue, visa, accommodation, and general information about Aguascalientes, Mexico.

Logistical arrangements for the meeting

The in-person Fifth meeting of the Expert Group and the International Seminar will be held from 8 – 11 April 2024 at the Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI), Aguascalientes, México. The meeting will generally be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day.

Venue

The Fifth meeting of the Expert Group and the International Seminar will be held at meeting room and auditorium of Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) situated at Av. Héroe de Nacozari Sur #2301, Jardines del Parque, 20276 Aguascalientes, México.



Language

The working language of the Fifth meeting of the Expert Group and the International Seminar is English.

Participants

Participants are expected to be members of the Expert Group and invited participants from the National Institute of Statistics and Geography, the Mexican Cadastre Institute, and the Permanent Committee of Cadastre in Latin America together with other invited expert representatives of Member States and regional committees, functional groups, and thematic networks of the Committee of Experts.

Transportation:

When arriving at Aguascalientes Airport (AGU), possible transportation options to reach hotels of the participant choice in the city are:

- **Authorized Taxis:** You can purchase a taxi voucher inside the terminal according to your destination. Present the voucher at the taxi area, and you'll be on your way. Taxis are a convenient and reliable option.
- **Hotel Shuttles:** If you're staying at a hotel, inquire with them about shuttle services. Some hotels offer complimentary shuttle transfers from the airport. Check with your hotel in advance to see if this service is available.
- **Car Rentals:** If you prefer more flexibility, consider renting a car. Car rental services are available at the airport.

All participants are to make their own transportation arrangements from and back to Aguascalientes Airport.

Visa:

It is the responsibility of all participants to make the necessary visa arrangements. Depending on your nationality, you might need a visa to travel to Mexico. Please refer to the following links (only in Spanish):

- Countries who do not need visa to Mexico
(<https://www.inm.gob.mx/gobmx/word/index.php/paises-no-requieren-visa-para-mexico/>)
- Countries who need visa to Mexico
(<https://www.inm.gob.mx/gobmx/word/index.php/paises-requieren-visa-para-mexico/>)

Notwithstanding the above, a visa is not necessary if you can prove permanent residency status¹ in any member country of the European Schengen Area². Additionally, as part of Mexico's visa exemption program, current Mexican immigration regulations allow foreign nationals to travel to Mexico as Non-Immigrants-Visitors³ without the need to apply for a Mexican visa if they are holders of a valid visa

¹ You will need to prove this status directly to the immigration authority at the point of entry. The Embassy of Mexico cannot offer guarantees for your admittance. It is the traveler's own responsibility to offer proper documentation. Keep in mind that admittance to Mexico (as to any other country) is subject to the final approval of immigration officials at the point of entry, whom have the authority to evaluate your case, verify the authenticity of all the documents and the truthfulness of the information you provide. They will also confirm that no outright restrictions exist for your admittances.

² A Dutch Residency Card valid for 5 years is not considered as permanent

³ Visitor without permission to conduct gainful activities, which include tourism, transit, short study programs, business meetings, medical treatment, technical assistance, professional counseling, among others

from USA, Canada, Japan, Great Britain or any of the Schengen area countries⁴. Full information is available at [Visa exemption program](#) (only in Spanish).

Accommodation and Rates

The hotels recommended by the host are as follows (prices are in Mexican pesos):

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| <p>Hotel Quinta Real Aguascalientes (★★★★★) Av. Aguascalientes Sur No. 601, Fracc. Jardines de la Asunción, C.P. 20270 Aguascalientes, Ags Tel. 449 978 5818 www.quintareal.com</p> <p>Contacto/Contact: Mauricio Abrego Ejecutivo de Ventas grags-recepcion@quintareal.com mabrego@quintareal.com</p> | <p>\$ 1,764.00 habitación sencilla/single room \$ 2,028.00 habitación doble/double room Incluye desayuno americano y wifi/Rates include American Breakfast and wifi</p> <p>\$145 dólares Estándar/hab. sencilla Standard/single room \$159 dólares habitación doble/double room</p> |
| <p>Hotel Fiesta Inn Aguascalientes Patio (★★★★★) Av. José María Chávez No. 1531, Desarrollo Especial Villa Asunción, C.P. 20234 Aguascalientes, Ags. Tel. 449 9563110, 449 1962773 www.fiestainn.com</p> <p>Contacto/Contact: Angélica Ornelas Ejecutivo de Ventas ventas1fiagp@posadas.com</p> <p>Oscar Palmas Tel. 443 310 8010</p> | <p>\$1, 666.00 incluye impuestos/ habitación sencilla/single room No incluye desayuno ni bebidas/breakfast and drinks not included</p> |
| <p>Gran Hotel Hacienda de La Noria (★★★★★) Av. Héroe de Nacozari 1315, Barrio de la Salud, Aguascalientes, Ags. C.P. 20240 Tel. 449 910 2330 https://gran-hotel-hacienda-de-la-noria.negocio.site/</p> <p>Contacto / Contact: Por teléfono / By telephone</p> | <p>\$1,785.00 habitación sencilla o doble/single or double room (entre semana/weekdays) \$2,142.00 habitación sencilla o doble/single or double room (fin de semana/weekend) Incluye desayuno y wifi/breakfast and wifi included</p> <p>Convenio INEGI \$1500, cualquier día de la semana INEGI Agreement \$1500, any day of the week</p> |

⁴ Please be aware that the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) is not a visa and therefore you cannot use this for the purpose of traveling to Mexico under the Mexican visa exemption benefits

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| <p>Hotel Hampton by Hilton Aguascalientes Downtown (★★★★) Blvd. José María Chávez 1512, Fracc. Jardines de la Asunción, C.P. 20270 Aguascalientes, Ags. Tel. 449 136 1650 ext. 707 https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/agumxhx-hampton-aguascalientes-downtown/</p> <p>Contacto/Contact: Daniela Vargas Ejecutiva de Ventas Mobile: 553 936 7341 Daniela.vargasmartinez@hilton.com</p> <p>Daniela Garay Recepcionista Tel: 449 136 1550</p> | <p>\$ 1274.00 habitación sencilla o doble/single or double room Incluye desayuno y wifi/rates include breakfast and wifi</p> <p>Convenio INEGI \$1094.80 / INEGI Agreement Los precios pueden cambiar por la disponibilidad del hotel/ Prices are subject to change depending on hotel availability</p> |
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Every participant should contact the hotel directly to make the necessary accommodation arrangement and reservation. Please ensure that your reservation is confirmed for the duration of your stay in Aguascalientes. The host will be providing bus transfers between these hotels and INEGI Aguascalientes daily.

Weather

In Aguascalientes the weather in April is generally perfect, characterized by high temperatures and low rainfall. Throughout the day, temperatures typically settle at around 30C. But by evening, they can drop to around 13C. Remember, these are typical temperatures, and certain days could be even hotter. Ensure you wear appropriate clothing to handle the warmth.

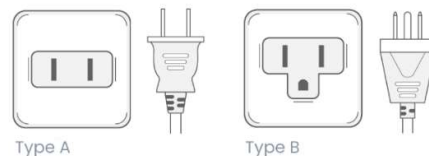
Aguascalientes in April usually receives low rainfall, averaging around 6 - 7 mm for the month. It's the month receiving the least amount of rain. As the days go by, you can expect fewer clouds and less precipitation. This makes it an ideal time for outdoor activities and events that might be disrupted by wetter conditions in other months.

Electricity

In Mexico, the standard voltage is 127V and the frequency is 60Hz. The power plug sockets come in two types -

Type A: This socket is mainly used in North and Central America, China, and Japan. It has two flat parallel pins and works only with plug type A.

Type B: Similar to type A, but with an extra prong for grounding. It also works with plug type A.



Currency

The monetary unit is the Peso.

Banks and ATMs

Banks operate between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. ATMs operate 24 hours a day.

Taxes:

In Mexico, all purchases are subject to a 16% Value Added Tax (IVA), except for medicines, unprocessed foods, and books.

Tips:

Tips are not included in restaurant menu prices. It is customary to leave between 10% and 15% of the total bill as a tip.

Time Zone

The time zone in Aguascalientes, Mexico is UTC-6 hours.

Enquiries

For local logistical information or related questions, please contact:

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Aguascalientes
Email: jorge.tiscareno@inegi.org.mx and zayna.herrera@inegi.org.mx

Algunas opciones turísticas/Some touristic options

Museos regionales/Regional museums:

<https://www.vivaaguascalientes.com/Plantilla/55/115/Museos%20y%20Galer%C3%ADas>

Museo Ferrocarrilero

El Museo Ferrocarrilero ocupa la instalación de lo que fue la antigua estación y el almacén de carga, además de los andenes y las vías colindantes. Su objetivo es preservar y salvaguardar el equipo rodante, la herramienta utilizada dentro de los talleres del ferrocarril para mantener viva la memoria ferrocarrilera y ferroviaria. Para lograrlo cuenta con exposiciones temáticas, así como la preservación de material documental, oral y visual que permita dar un panorama general del funcionamiento e importancia de este medio de transporte en



la entidad. La museografía estuvo a cargo de los especialistas José Fonseca, Enrique Serrano, Hugo Villalobos y Evaristo Sánchez. Cuenta con una interesante colección de más de diez mil piezas entre documentos, equipos rodantes, maquinaria y herramientas, en torno a la infraestructura ferroviaria en México. Sin duda es el sitio óptimo para conocer y aprender del ferrocarril mexicano, de su funcionamiento y sus utilidades en el Aguascalientes Ferrocarrilero.

The Railway Museum occupies what used to be the old station and the freight depot, as well as the platforms and adjacent tracks. Its aim is to preserve and safeguard the rolling stock, the tools used in the railway workshops to keep the railway and railway memory alive. To achieve this, it has thematic exhibitions, as well as the preservation of documentary, oral and visual material to give an overview of the operation and importance of this means of transport in the entity. The museography was in charge of the specialists José Fonseca, Enrique Serrano, Hugo Villalobos and Evaristo Sánchez. It has an interesting collection of more than ten thousand pieces including documents, rolling stock, machinery and tools related to the railway infrastructure in Mexico. It is undoubtedly the best place to know and learn about the Mexican railway, how it works and its utilities in Aguascalientes Ferrocarrilero.

Dirección/Address

Calle 28 de agosto S/N Barrio La Estación, Barrio La Estación/**August 28th Street S/N, The Station Neighborhood**

Horarios/Schedules

De Martes a Domingo de 11:00 a 21:00 hrs / **From Tuesday to Sunday from 11:00 to 21:00 hrs.**

Costos Acceso/Access

Entrada gratuita ex ferrocarrileros, Tercera edad. Precio especial a grupos/**Free admission for former railroad workers and senior citizens. Special price for groups.**

Ubicación / Location



Museo José Guadalupe Posada

El Museo José Guadalupe Posada, ocupa el austero, pero sutilmente bello edificio que en el siglo XVIII fungió como convento de las religiosas Adoratrices. Posteriormente, en el siglo XIX pasó a pertenecer al Templo del Encino, como casa parroquial. Luego de la desamortización de bienes eclesiásticos y de todas las reformas en la chisteada, la finca fue confiscada por el gobierno y cedida a la Junta Local de Caminos. El 16 de septiembre de 1972, fue inaugurado el Museo, dedicado al grabador, que alberga la finca antes descrita. En él conoceremos la vida y obra del emblema aguascalentense; sus distintas salas nos llevarán por la historia del maestro Posada, en orden cronológico; primero conocemos sus inicios y sus grabados en la gaceta callejera, luego nos trasladaremos junto con él a León, Guanajuato.

Donde desarrolló completamente su talento y posteriormente, conoceremos los grabados de calaveras que lo hicieron internacionalmente famoso mientras vivía en el D.F. Acerca de su obra dice Rivera: "Los valores plásticos que contiene la obra de Posada son todos los más esenciales y permanentes de la obra de arte." La obra de Posada es la radiografía del pueblo mexicano, desprovista de todo ornamento muestra la esencia esquelética, de la colectividad popular mexicana. Debes visitar el Museo José Guadalupe Posada en el Barrio del Encino y conocer la obra de uno de los pilares de la estética puramente nacional.

The José Guadalupe Posada Museum occupies the austere but subtly beautiful building that in the 18th century served as the convent of the Adoratrices nuns. Later on, in the 19th century it became part of the Templo del Encino, as a parish house. After the disentanglement of ecclesiastical goods and all the reforms in the chisteadada, the property was confiscated by the government and ceded to the Junta Local de Caminos. On 16 September 1972, the Museum, dedicated to the engraver, was inaugurated, which houses the estate described above. In it we will know the life and work of the emblematic artist from Aguascalientes; its different rooms will take us through the history of the master Posada, in chronological order; first we know his beginnings and his engravings in the street gazette, then we will move with him to León Gto. where he fully developed his talent and later, we will know the engravings of skulls that made him internationally famous while he was living in Mexico City. About his work Rivera says: "The plastic values contained in Posada's work are all the most essential and permanent of the work of art". Posada's work is an X-ray of the Mexican people, devoid of all ornamentation it shows the skeletal essence of the Mexican popular community. You must visit the José Guadalupe Posada Museum in the Barrio del Encino and get to know the work of one of the pillars of purely national aesthetics.



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Jardín del Encino, lado norte, Barrio del Encino / Jardín del Encino, north side, Barrio del Encino

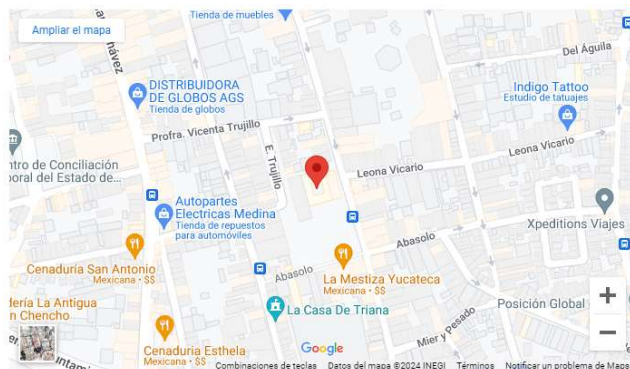
Horarios/Schedules

Martes a Domingos de 11:00 a 18:00 hrs./Tuesday to Sunday from 11:00 to 18:00 hrs.

Costos Acceso/Access

Varia. Miércoles entrada gratuita/Depends on the event. Wednesdays free admission

Ubicación/Location



Museo Regional de Historia/Regional History Museum

Ubicado en una vieja casona que data de 1901, obra del maestro Refugio Reyes con estilo mediterráneo, el museo tiene como objetivo contar la historia de los aguascalentenses a través de las siete salas donde se recrea la vida como se percibía en la antigüedad. En la casona se conserva un jardín al centro, en donde se encuentra un comedor y la cocina que datan de la misma época. Además, los corredores conducen a las habitaciones de sus antiguos dueños y su sala de estar.



El museo expone desde temas fósiles, piezas de grupos prehispánicos y su religiosidad, y guerras chichimecas que se llevaron a cabo en la región.

Located in an old mansion dating from 1901, designed by the master Refugio Reyes in Mediterranean style, the museum has as its objective to tell the history of the people of Aguascalientes through the seven rooms where life as it was perceived in ancient times is recreated. A garden in the centre of the house is preserved, where a dining room and kitchen dating from the same period can be found. In addition, corridors lead to the rooms of the former owners and their living room. The museum exhibits fossils, pieces of pre-Hispanic groups and their religiosity, and Chichimec wars that took place in the region.

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Venustiano Carranza #118 Zona Centro

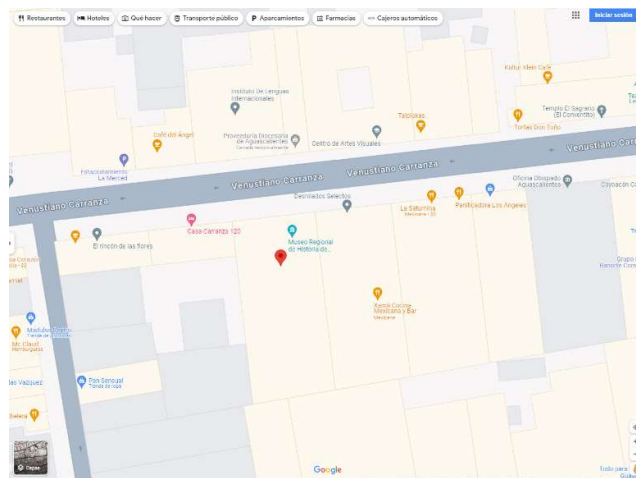
Horarios/Schedules

Martes a Domingo de 09:00 a 18:00 hrs. / Tuesday to Sunday from 09:00 to 18:00 hrs.

Acceso/Access

Domingo entrada libre (aplica nacionalidad mexicana). Entrada gratuita a niños menores de 12 años, estudiantes, maestros y tercera edad./Sunday free admission (Mexican nationality applies). Free admission for children under 12, students, teachers and senior citizens.

Ubicación/Location



Isla San Marcos/San Marcos Island



La Isla San Marcos, ubicada en el Boulevard San Marcos, es el lugar ideal para la familia. En este sitio se desarrolla parte de la Feria Nacional de San Marcos, dentro de sus instalaciones se encuentran varios atractivos que dotan de identidad a la verbena máxima en Aguascalientes como: La exposición ganadera, los juegos mecánicos, los locales gastronómicos con muestras culinarias tanto de Aguascalientes como de otras partes del país, así como la exposición

Agroalimentaria. Durante todo el año también puedes disfrutar de este bellissimo lugar en compañía de tu familia. En él se encuentra la megavelaria, donde se desarrollan regularmente diversos eventos musicales; artísticos y exposiciones especiales. Su ambiente ecológico permite realizar múltiples actividades al aire libre, apreciar el lago artificial con sus enormes fuentes y su islote, o caminar entre sus senderos llenos de vegetación y de palmeras cocoplumosas. También es obligatorio contemplar el reloj mecánico más grande de Latinoamérica, con veintisiete metros de diámetro.

San Marcos Island, located on San Marcos Boulevard, is the ideal place for the family. Part of the National Fair of San Marcos takes place in this site, within its facilities there are several attractions that give identity to the maximum festival in Aguascalientes such as: The livestock exhibition, the mechanical games, the gastronomic venues with culinary samples both from Aguascalientes and other parts of the country, as well as the Agroalimentary exhibition. Throughout the year you can also enjoy this beautiful place with your family. The megavelaria is located here, where different musical and artistic events and special exhibitions are regularly held. Its ecological environment allows multiple outdoor activities, appreciate the artificial lake with its huge fountains and its islet, or walk among its paths full of vegetation and cocoplumosa palm trees. It is also mandatory to see the largest mechanical clock in Latin America, with twenty-seven meters in diameter.

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Lago de la Isla San Marcos, Pirules, 20207 Aguascalientes, Ags/San Marcos Island Lake, Pirules, 20207 Aguascalientes, Ags.

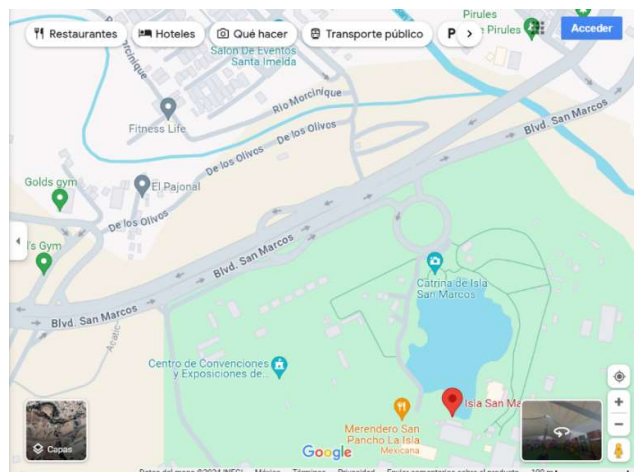
Horarios/Schedules

De Lunes a Domingo de 7:00 a 19:00 hrs/Monday to Sunday from 7:00 to 19:00 hrs.

Acceso/Access

Entrada libre/ Free admission

Ubicación/Location



Teatro Morelos/Morelos Theater

Durante el gobierno de Rafael Arellano se aprobó el proyecto de construir un Teatro, edificio que beneficiaría a la ciudad. Se inaugura el 25 de agosto de 1885, con el drama La Muerte Civil, a cargo de la compañía del actor italiano Leopoldo Burón. Su servicio se vio suspendido debido a la revolución mexicana, y hasta el 10 de octubre de 1914 se convirtió en el escenario de la Soberana Convención Revolucionaria. Desde entonces y hasta la actualidad funge como teatro de la ciudad, donde se representan obras, conciertos y otros eventos. El 30 de marzo de 1993 el Teatro Morelos fue declarado, por decreto presidencial, Monumento Histórico de la Nación.



During the government of Rafael Arellano, the project to build a theater was approved, a building that would benefit the city. It was inaugurated on August 25, 1885, with the drama La Muerte Civil, performed by the company of the Italian actor Leopoldo Burón. Its service was suspended due to the Mexican Revolution, and until October 10, 1914 it became the stage of the Sovereign Revolutionary Convention. Since then and up to the present it has served as the city's theater, where plays, concerts and other events are staged. On March 30, 1993 the Morelos Theater was declared, by presidential decree, Historical Monument of the Nation.

Dirección/Address

Calle Nieto 113. Plaza de la Convención S/N Zona Centro 2000/ 113 Nieto Street. Convention Square S/N

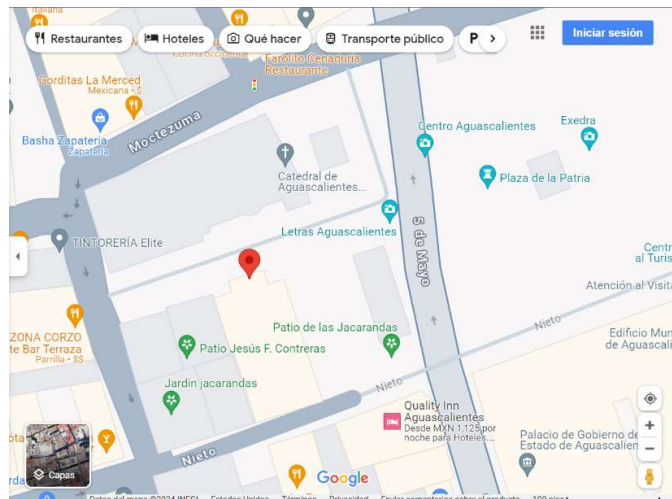
Horarios/Schedules

Lunes a viernes de 08:00 a 21:00 hrs. Sábados y Domingos de acuerdo al evento/ Monday to Friday from 08:00 to 21:00 hrs. Saturdays and Sundays according to the event.

Acceso/Access

Depende del evento/Depends on the event

Ubicación/Location



Casa de las Artesanías/House of Crafts

El inmueble que alberga la Casa de las Artesanías, ubicada dentro de la zona de monumentos históricos de la ciudad, es de estilo Neoclásico-Ecléctico (tanto interiores como exteriores), su construcción original fue de un solo nivel, data del siglo XIX y fue propiedad de la familia Pani, posteriormente en el siglo XX la finca es adquirida por la familia Rubalcaba



Enríquez. En el 2014 fue rescatada esta finca y restaurada para adecuarla a la Casa de las Artesanías, en la cual se expone el trabajo de las manos talentosas de los artesanos del estado de Aguascalientes, además es un centro de capacitación donde brinda talleres de actualización en diferentes técnicas para que los artesanos sean más competitivos.

The building that houses the Casa de las Artesanías, located within the area of historic monuments of the city, is of Neoclassical-Eclectic style (both interiors and exteriors), its original construction was of a single level, dating from the nineteenth century and was owned by the Pani family, later in the twentieth century the farm is acquired by the Rubalcaba Enriquez family. In 2014 this farm was rescued and restored to adapt it to the Casa de las Artesanías, in which the work of the talented hands of the artisans of the state of Aguascalientes is exhibited, it is also a training center where it provides refresher workshops in different techniques for artisans to be more competitive.

Dirección/Address

Manuel M. Ponce No. 134, Barrio de San Marcos/Manuel M. Ponce No. 134, San Marcos Neighborhood

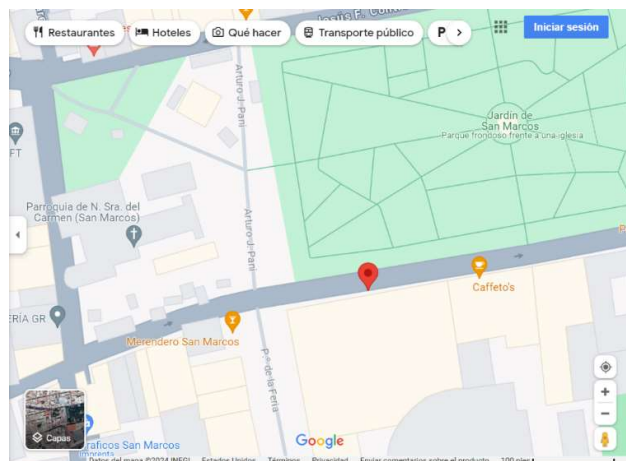
Horarios/ Schedules

De lunes a domingo de 11:00 a 20:00 hrs./Monday to Sunday from 11:00 to 20:00 hrs.

Acceso/Access

Entrada Libre, los artículos tiene diversos precios / Free admission, the articles have different prices

Ubicación/Location



(21 February 2024)