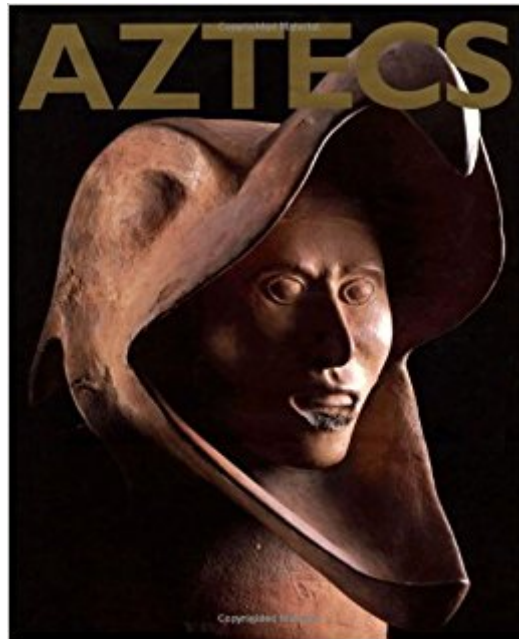




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This sumptuous book, amply illustrated with beautiful color photos, is the catalog for a recent art exhibit in London. The perspectives of the exhibit and the book glorify the aesthetic aspects of the Aztec empire and nobility. This is a beautiful introduction to Aztec royal art. If you want a more balanced account of Aztec society, however, with an emphasis on daily life of the non-rich and non-famous, see the new edition of Smith's textbook, *The Aztecs* (2003, Blackwell).

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