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efforts of our people with the vision of achieving progressive development and continue to grow continuously to exploit the potential of natural beauty and especially the island of Roatan to achieve the investment that the community needs and create an excellent business climate. We have versions in English and Spanish, our publication is monthly, follow us on our social networks.





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# EDITORIAL

## Independence 2023

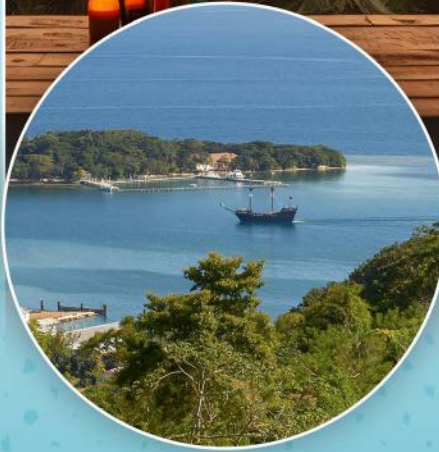
Independence should be part of the greatest feelings of every Honduran.

**F**ree, sovereign, and independent Honduras We recently held patriotic parades as a show of fervor, patriotism, and love for the country where we were born. How did the celebration of September 15th come about? Why it is only celebrated in the five republics of the Central American isthmus? Such an important celebration. In the countries of Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica. History tells that the Central American cham-

pion Francisco Morazán died shot in San Jose, Costa Rica on September 15, 1842, while fighting for the Central American Union. But September 15 should be a time of reflection for every Honduran. Remember that we are a five-star country, with a coral reef that the people of Roatan enjoy. Independence should be part of the greatest feelings of every Honduran. Long live Honduras, long live our people and long live our freedom in this month of national holidays.







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## CHARACTER

# Rely Yosimar Maradiaga the great sports storyteller

Well-known presenter, media journalist.

Originally from Ceca-guaca, Santa Barbara but raised in Siguatepeque with 34 years of age, married, father of a family, journalist and lecturer, founder of Luma productions talked exclusively with Roatan Today.

We know him as the storyteller of one of the most important sports programs in Honduras, with more than 20 years of experience in the national media.

He describes himself as a dreamer, a lifelong learner, an inspirer who can help others to fight for what they believe in. He is the son of Elba, a housewife, and Juan Ramón, a humble patrolman. The eldest of four siblings, the first of a home where luxuries were lacking, but love was in abundance.

But if he had to keep one last definition, he considers himself a son of God, which for him is the most important thing.

He was born in Ceguaca, Santa Barbara. Where his maternal family is from, while his father is from Ilama, Santa Barbara. I am a pate pluma by birth.

The communicator Maradiaga said that he has lived his whole life in Siguatepeque. And he expressed the following "I always say that I have a house to spare because I consider myself from both places. I love both Ceguaca and Siguatepeque equally".

His passion for the media was born when he was an 11-year-old boy. His father always encouraged him to become a journalist because he was the first to identify that Maradiaga had a talent, a fluency in public speaking.

At that time his father gave him a book called "Mil y una historias de Radio Venceremos", which was a Salvadoran radio station. That book marked his life in a way that is diffi-

cult to explain.

In addition to that, when he was in sixth grade he visited the local radio station in Siguatepeque. Between the book and that magical visit, seeing the announcers in action, he knew that he wanted to dedicate his whole life to communications.

It is a blessing to live for what you love. During the interview, he told us that he founded his own video production company, called Luma, which has allowed him to meet clients, companies and brands that have given him a world beyond soccer.

And now he is experiencing a new facet, the one he has been doing for 6 years for free and working more. And this new stage fills his heart.

Home of the need to have a more direct contact with people. Television is magic, but it has the barrier of the screen.

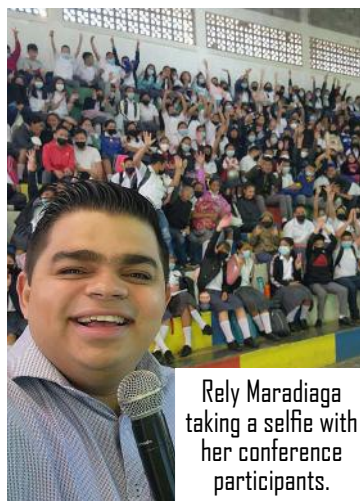
He grew up admiring great speakers and for a long time I prepared myself to try to fill the hearts of an audience for an hour and that this would be useful for their lives.

Thank God, the doors are opening, there are already more than 30 companies that have hired me and we have already signed 12 more conferences between now and the end of the year. That is a blessing that I will never tire of thanking.

Maradiaga would like to leave a legacy to the new generations.

"if you can pray it, you can conquer it". God is and has been good to children who put goals in their hands but then go out to conquer them. You have to go out to battle, you don't just dream, you have to go out and try again and again until it works.

He would like to inspire others to find within themselves that child loved by God who can change the destiny of their lives, their families, and Honduras.



Rely Maradiaga taking a selfie with her conference participants.



Rely Maradiaga presenting news.



## PROFILE

**Name:** Rely Yosimar Maradiaga Pineda

**Age:** 34 years old

**Marital Status:** Married

**Studies:** Journalist / Lecturer

**Professional Experience:** Centro Radial Siguatepeque 2001- 2003  
Channel 67 Siguatepeque 2003 - 2010

**Employer:** Televisión 2010 - Present

Founder and director of luma Producciones since 2021.



John Manzanares and his guests.



Firma de la afiliación en las instalaciones de la biblioteca Jared Hynds.

# Good news for island culture

## Jared Hynds Library joins Honduran library network

The affiliation of the Jared Hynds public library to the network of Honduran Libraries under the Casa de la Cultura de Roatán and SECAPPH took place recently.

The following authorities were present at the event. Edwin Antonio García, director of the network of Libraries of Honduras, Carolina Torres, director of the General Directorate of Books and

Documents (DGLD). Kelsy Gálvez, director of the National Newspaper Library of Honduras. Johana Colindres, assistant of the DGLD, and Carmen Núñez, proofreader of the Editorial Eva Thais of the Secretaría de las Culturas las Artes y los Patrimonios de los Pueblos de Honduras.

The Jared library will now belong to the network of libraries of Honduras, An advance for the culture of the Bay Islands department.

## BIRTHDAY NOTE



Kendra Ardon

On September 16, our editor, Kendra Michelle Ardon, a journalism graduate, was celebrating one more year of life, on the eve of her birthday, on behalf of the executive management, collaborators, and the entire team that makes Roatán Today. We want to congratulate her.

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# The international law firm Villela Villela shares with you the requirements to register Hondurans born abroad

As a legal firm we want to present to you the requirements to register your children born abroad to a Honduran father and mother or only one of the parents born in the country.

**M**any Hondurans when residing in other countries worry about their immigration status or are unaware that their children can be registered in their country of origin, in this case, we are referring to Honduras. As a law firm, we want to present you with the requirements to register your

children born abroad of a Honduran father and mother or only one of the parents born in the country. Attorney Skarleth Castellanos of the international law firm Villela tells us what the requirements must be presented for Hondurans born abroad.

#### **Birth Registration of Hondurans Born Abroad**

To register a Honduran born abroad

the legal professional will make a written request to the general secretary of the National Registry of Persons in Tegucigalpa, which must be accompanied by the following documents:  
Power of Attorney  
Birth Certificate of the Honduran father or mother.

**Photocopy of the passport if one of the parents is a foreigner.**

Foreign birth certificate of the Honduran citizen born abroad, duly apostilled by the country of origin and certified by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs in Tegucigalpa.

If the foreign birth certificate is in another language it must be translated into Spanish.

Once the application is admitted, the process takes from 3 to 4 months, and in certain occasions this term can be extended up to 6 months. When the administrative resolution is obtained, it is sent ex officio to the Civil Registry of the municipality that was established at the time of the request, who upon receiving it will proceed with the registration of the petitioner, thus concluding the process.

Another important information that we want to share with you are the requirements that you must present at the moment of making a death registration out of the established time.

#### **Registration of Death outside the time established by the RNP**

As established by the Law of the National Registry of Persons in article 68, the term to register a death is 6 months from the date of death, after this term the registration must be done by means of a replacement for omission through a request made by a legal professional, which must be presented before the civil officer of the National Registry of Persons of the corresponding municipality.

#### **The application must be accompanied by the following documents:**

Proof that the death is not registered;  
Proof of the administrator or person in charge of the cemetery where the deceased was buried.

Proof issued by the hospital where the death occurred or the report issued by the Public Prosecutor's Office.



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# Karla Arzu, the Garifuna who empowers her traditional entrepreneurship

Karla Arzu is a multifaceted woman of Garifuna origin with experience in teaching and traditional entrepreneur with the artisan bakery Doña Bella.

She defines herself as a blessed, empowered and resilient woman. Because she has had to face many situations in life. Since she was a little girl, at the age of 7 years old, she accompanied her mother to sell coconut bread, we walked from the Rivera point to the municipal warehouse of San Pedro Sula. By the age of 10, she was not only walking, but also carrying coconut bread with her mother. In 2004 at the Jose Trinidad Reyes Institute while she was studying her first career in hospitality and tourism, I carried a basket of coconut breads and at recess time I sold them, this happened until 2006 which was the year I graduated. In 2012 at the National Pedagogical University Francisco Morazán I took breads to sell, but only by order. During the pandemic I implemented to sell coconut breads by order and then make the delivery in the colony that is in the Jucutuma Corridor. I created a Facebook page called Panes de coco "DoñaBella" which allowed me not only to reach the Sampedrana population but also to reach different cities in the country and outside of Honduras. Now I sell the breads online, they ask me and at the time of delivery we do it in a place of mutual agreement. Currently the bakery is still standing and has a team that consists of her mo-

Karla working on the preparation of the breads.



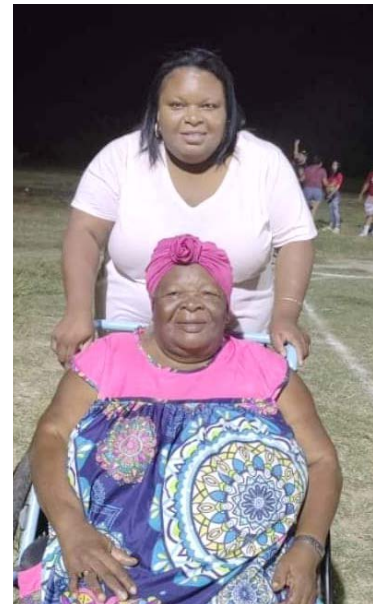
ther, brother, sister-in-law and herself. The breads they offer to the general public are the traditional coconut bread, pineapple empanadas, coconut tablet empanadas, and poleada de leche empanadas. One of the things Karla Arzu enjoys

sharing with her family is reading the bible. She sees herself as a successful person, and likes to be a support for others and I would love to continue preaching the word of God. My message to entrepreneurs is to keep fighting to create new opportunities.



## PROFILE

Name: Karla Arzu  
Age: 36 years old  
Studies: Educational administration with a bachelor's degree.



## CONTACT

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# Intercultural festival held in San Pedro Sula

Recently the people of San Pedro Sula enjoyed the Intercultural Festival held in Plaza de las Banderas by the Municipality of San Pedro Sula.



Families attended the intercultural festival



The Garifuna community stands out for its drumming.



The festival was held in support of Olbin Jesús Bonifacio Suazo, who needs a kidney transplant. \*Mayor Roberto Contreras made a special donation to help Olbin Jesús Bonifacio Suazo.

The attendees experienced a splendid evening at the Intercultural Festival (Miskito and Garifuna culture), offered by the municipal administration of Mayor Roberto Contreras through the Directorate of Culture of the Management of Competitiveness, in order to help the young Olbin Jesús Bonifacio Suazo in his medical treatment, as he needs a kidney transplant.

The cultural evening took place on Friday from 6:00 p.m. at Plaza de las Banderas, with the artistic participation of Luter Thomas, Junior Martínez "El Makuparu" and Chelmor Calderón. Elam Kelly, director of Culture of the Municipality of Sampedrana, said that "it is the first time that an intercultural festival is held with two cultures alternating artistically as is the Miskito and Garifuna thanks to the support and initiative of Mayor Roberto Contreras in order to promote art and culture".

"Each of the artists has delighted us with their music and folkloric genres and traditions, they are ethnic groups that are enriching our country with the activities they perform".

It is also a very special event, which has been held to help Alvin Jesús Bonifacio Suazo, a student of the Technical Training Center Honduras Coreay, who is in a very difficult situation, he is undergoing dialysis and needs a kidney transplant".





OTHER NEWS

# FICAC President visits the island of Roatan

**T**he distinguished and honorable Nikolaos K. Margaropoulos, President of the World Federation of Honorary Consuls of the World (FICAC), together with members of his consular delegation, paid a courtesy visit to the island of Roatan, after having participated in the Latin American conference of FICAC, held in San Pedro Sula.

Regarding his visit to Roatan, Mr. Nikolaos K. Margaropoulos said, "We have heard a lot about Roatan, its breathtaking natural beauty and pristine beaches. Not surprisingly, Roatan's beauty serves as a reminder of the wonders of the natural world that transcend borders. The diverse cultures, vibrant communities, and warm interactions we encountered reminded

us of the importance of cooperation and understanding in building stronger relationships."

For his part, Roatan Mayor Ron McNab said, "It is nice to hear that our island, our municipality is known for its enchanting natural beauty, that motivates us to continue working to promote our beautiful island as an excellent destination. We are proud to have the visit of this consular delegation, we hope that during their visit they can take with them the best impression, but above all, they can become ambassadors of our incalculable beauty".

After the welcome reception at the Municipal Palace, the consular delegation enjoyed an exquisite lunch offered by Mayor Ron McNab and the members of his Municipal Corporation.

Caption Consul accompanied by the island municipal authorities.



## Construction work continues in the transformation of Coxen Hole



This is the progress of the reconstruction of the Puente Grande in the Willie Warren sector.

The municipality of Roatan, is finalizing the works that have been projected to be executed for the area of Coxen Hole, to completely transform one of the most important communities of the island municipality.

All these works are being carried out with municipal funds, the municipality of Roatan continues to invest in the development of the different communities of the municipality. The main objective continues to be to generate opportunities for all.

## Roatan teachers complete the first module of the diploma course in English

Directors of the governmental system of the municipality of Roatan received on behalf of each teacher of the different public schools of Roatan, a diploma certifying that they completed the first module of the diploma course in English taught by the Azteca Corporation in partnership with the mayor's office in the Virtual Classroom Program.

The main objective of this program is to improve the quality of English education in all public schools in Roatan. Mayor Ron McNab and members of his Municipal Corporation 2022-2026 were present at the award ceremony.



Teachers who participated in the first module



# The island of Roatán dressed up for the big fishing tournament 2023 on September 15

Every year, the International Sport Fishing Tournament 2023 began on September 15 with 70 registered boats seeking to win first place in this important event.

The tournament was organized by the Honduran Association of Responsible Sport Fishing (AHPESCAR), and the dynamics with which it was developed was a three-day event.

The great tournament was held at West End Beach, on the island of Roatan, which was the venue for this XXIV edition, a competition that has already become an annual tradition for local and foreign fishermen.

During three action-packed days, participants had the opportunity to demonstrate their skills and abilities in fishing for species such as marlin, sailfish, and tuna, among others. The tournament featured a wide variety of categories and prizes, ensuring that there was room for all levels of experience and different fishing techniques.

Anglers competed in the Billfish, Rodeo, and Juniors categories, who will fight to win the US\$20,000 prize. They emphasize that every fish that is caught is returned to the sea unless it weighs 500 pounds, then it can be taken to land, otherwise, the angler is obliged to release it.

The International Fishing Tournament in Roatan is a unique experience that combines the thrill of sport fishing and the beauty of the Caribbean.

The winner of the event was a collaboration for the progress of the construction of the new RBC building in which Mrs. Rosa Maria Merren.





# Enzo Stark releases new single Utila



Arte promocional



“I didn't think I was going to be an artist.”

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He is a videographer, producer, and composer, with a wide musical trajectory, he has recorded 10 songs and 7 videos. He has studied architecture.

As a child, he was considered a genius because at the age of 15, he was about to enter the university, and he was always the youngest in his class.

Originally from the city of Tegucigalpa, at the age of 13, he began to play the guitar independently and later took a guitar course.

Enzo has reinvented himself since 2020 and has produced several musical themes.

His name Enzo is an abbreviation of Lorenzo, he remembers that it all happened with his Twitter account and that's where the diminutive comes from. Stark comes from Iron Man character Tony Stark which he admires a lot, it turns out that a personality test turned out to have the same of his favorite character.

At the moment he is preparing the release of his new production Utila.



Honduran singer Enzo Stark spoke with Roatan Today to talk about his new projects.



# Children of San Pedro celebrated Children's Day



In the framework of Children's Day, ad honorem director of EcoSocial, Zoila de Contreras, and her husband, Mayor Roberto Contreras, celebrate with 3,000 children at the Parque Infantil Presentación Centeno.



Sampedrano mayor holding a baby girl.

neighborhoods, were entertained with toys, dancing, music, candy, piñatas, popcorn and cotton candy. They also enjoyed swimming pools and games at the Parque Infantil Presentación Centeno, an emblematic and recreational place of the city, which after maintenance works carried out by the municipal team, opened its doors for this celebration.

Mayor Roberto Contreras took the opportunity to jump off one of the slides and have fun with the children. "We feel like children in the midst of so many toddlers and we are happy to share with the children of Guamilito, Río de Piedras, Juan Lindo, all these sectors where the children of the public schools were not taken into account to celebrate Children's Day," said the mayor.

Contreras explained that this is the seventh celebration, the last one will be on September 29 to entertain thousands of children, wanting to reach all the children of San Pedro Sula, but the budget is short and try on this occasion to support children in vulnerable areas.

All these celebrations are developed by the EcoSocial team, directed ad honorem by Zoila de Contreras, with the support of municipal management and socially responsible companies.

"We who come from public schools, my wife and I, rarely celebrate Children's Day, today we can have fun with children from public schools and realize that we are all equal in this society," said Contreras.

Linda Orellana, the mother of a family, described the celebration as excellent, "a round of applause for the mayor because the children had a good time with piñatas, games and food". Meanwhile, Monica Osorio, who enjoyed the celebration with her brother, said she was very grateful to the mayor for providing a very nice space for the children.



This is the seventh of 11 celebrations that will take place in San Pedro Sula with the support of municipal management and socially responsible companies.

During the seventh Children's Day celebration organized by the ad honorem director of EcoSocial, Zoila de Contreras, and her husband, the mayor of San Pedro Sula, Roberto Contreras, at the Parque Infantil Presentación Centeno, some 3,000 children from different areas of San Pedro Sula, enjoyed an afternoon full of fun.

Children from the neighborhoods Gracias a Dios, Juan Lindo, La Primavera, Colombia and from the Santa Ana, Río de Piedras and Guamilito





# Roatán National Holidays

**O**n September 15, the island of Roatán dressed up to commemorate 202 years of independence. Children and young people took to the streets to show their patriotic fervor. In this edition of Roatan Today we will show you a gallery of the children and young people who participated in the parades.





# The best of El Progreso Fair, **YORO 2023!**

Between lights, events and gastronomy and progress, Yoro has dressed up to party. One of the characteristics of this year are the free musical concerts, the inclusion of the elderly ladies and the great commander's party.





# UNAH presents the first graduating class of journalism with the new curriculum

The National Autonomous University of Honduras (UNAH) remains at the forefront, and since 2018 they made changes to their academic curriculum to produce professionals who adapt to the new form of communication. The career of journalism, of the faculty of social sciences presented the first promotion of the 2018 curriculum. In a ceremony that took place in the facilities of the UNAH, the first 12 graduates who are part of the new journalistic era focused on multimedia and research were presented. The event was attended by university

authorities, the dean of the faculty of social sciences Carmen Julia Fajardo, the head of the department of journalism Maricela Bustillo Zuniga and the coordinator of the career Denia Arely Cruz Garcia, professors and students of the first promotion.

The Journalism Course was created in 1969 by the National Autonomous University of Honduras, being attached to the Faculty of Social and Legal Sciences. In 1980, the Full University Senate agreed to separate the Journalism Course from the Faculty of Legal and Social Sciences, and temporarily assign it to the University Rectorate.

In 2008, the University Board of Directors, within the framework of the Fourth University Reform, restructured the University Center for General Studies (CUEG) to form the Faculty of Social Sciences where the School of Communication Sciences to which it belongs is currently developed. the career of journalism.

## Honduran journalism evolves in university classrooms



First graduating class of students with a change of academic curriculum.





# Imerco the innovative company in Honduran gastronomy



Soon to have a branch  
in Roatán

**I**MERCO was born in 1998, becoming the leader in the sale of equipment for the Honduran gastronomic industry.

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The schools that will face each other in the grand final this coming September 30.

# September 30 will be the grand finale in the city of San Pedro Sula

Last September 16 and 17, the grand pre-qualification of the national gastronomy competition “Sabores y Colores 2023” organized by the Honduran Association of Gastronomy and Professional Chefs, took place in the parking lot of Comisariato Los Andes located in the city of San Pedro Sula. Amateur competitors, gastronomy students from San Pedro Sula, Puerto Cortes, Omoa and Siguatepeque and professional Chefs were present at the pre-qualification, who with their culinary touches were looking for a place in the final. The event is sponsored by Dagas, Embutidos Delicia, Pollo Norño and Comisariato Los Andes. Eduardo Efraín Redondo, Manuel Lizandro Zuniga, Alejandra María Ordoñez, Erika Alejandra Martínez Murillo, Frank Cole Bertrand qualified in the amateur competition. Gastronomy students who qualified are Bianggie Cardona Valladares, Jessica Dely Bonilla, Miriam

Aida López, Fátima Flores Coello and Ángel Santiago Jiménez. Saul Cisneros, Luis Fernando Ávila, Kevin Erazo, Dixon Mejía, Emanuel Rodríguez were selected in the professional chef pre-classification category. During the event we will have the participation of the national singer Javier Monthiel who will animate with his musical rhythm to all present. We will have the participation of the international chef Robby Molina resident on the island of Roatan, one of the best cooks in Honduras. All participants are expected next Saturday September 30, 2023 from 2:00 in the afternoon to be part of the grand finale, “Sabores y Colores 2023” in the facilities of Comisariato Los Andes, said Jesus Escoto of the organizing committee.

Flavors and Colors Competition prepares for the grand finals



Santiago Jiménez from the Acurg gastronomy school in Siguatepeque.



Eduardo Redondo amateur competitor.



# Dunia Martinez, is a woman dedicated to working in the footwear industry

Dunia and her husband Héctor entering Plaza Las Banderas.

The civil union between Dunia Martinez and Hector Molina takes place.

**D**unia Martinez is the only woman shoeshiner and shoemaker at the Shoe Care Center of San Pedro Sula. As part of the second edition of Bodas de Caná, Mayor Roberto Contreras and his wife Zoila Santos de Contreras participated as witnesses in the civil marriage of Héctor Molina and Dunia Martínez.

A couple of examples of love and perseverance in them the vow of health and sickness is fulfilled.

The ceremony took place in the José Cecilio del Valle Hall, located in Plaza de las Banderas, where Molina and Martínez said "Yes, I do", before their witnesses, local authorities, and special guests.

Mayor Roberto Contreras expressed that the blessing of Bodas de Cana continues with the marriage of Hector and Dunia, "a special bride, they

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*I thank all the people who have supported me, because they have been with me until the end.*

*I had never had the privilege of being flattered like this, I even shed tears. Everything that is happening is part of God.*”

Dunia Martínez

are both special, but she is special because she is the only woman of Bodas de Cana who made her pair of shoes for the wedding and makes living shining shoes, just like I did when I was a child”.

The Wedding of Cana is a shower of blessings, for this reason, Mayor Contreras said "my wife and I are happy to be the witnesses of Hector and Dunia to celebrate the wedding with them". He also described Dunia as a woman of struggle, hard work, and entrepreneurship, like all the women of San Pedro Sula, but "she is in a more difficult condition because her husband is disabled and she is practically the man and woman of the house”.

As well as the story of Hector and Dunia, Bodas de Cana is full of other equally beautiful stories, the mayor said. These are stories that move one to think and try to do the best for our city and families. Meanwhile, Dunia Martínez, thanked God for the pri-

vilige he gave her to get married and that the mayor and his wife were her witnesses. "I thank all the people who have supported me because they have been with me until the end.

I have never had the privilege of being flattered like this, I even shed tears. Everything that is happening is part of God," she said. At the same time, she proudly shared that she is a boot-black, shoemaker, canillita, and entrepreneur. Her husband, Héctor Molina, said "We took this big step. We are grateful to God and we are going to go ahead to get married in church on September 30.

Bodas de Cana is an initiative of the mayor of San Pedro Sula to strengthen family unity in San Pedro Sula, a project that in its second edition brings together 1,337 national and foreign couples. The ecclesiastical ceremony will take place this September 30 at the Church of Christ Ebenezer at 2:00 in the afternoon.

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Minister of Tourism Yadira Gómez gave remarks during the event.



Forum participants working as a team.

# The Sustainable Tourism and Climate Change Forum ends successfully

The event was attended by many international personalities linked to the tourism industry.

After a long and profitable day, the Forum on Sustainable Tourism and Climate Change 2023 ended with applause, reflections, actions, and commitment to the correct approach to mitigation and adaptation to climate change in the countries of the SICA region. “It is no longer climate change, it is a climate emergency that we are experiencing”, was the reflection of the Chilean speaker, Jorge Moller. During the event, authorities from the Latin American tourism sector, and participants in this forum, took the opportunity to meet and draft a charter to draw up a roadmap towards a sustainable and resilient future for our nations. In the so-called letter of La Ceiba, they agreed to develop comprehensive strategies to address climate change; they made an urgent call to international cooperation, as well as to strategic allies to facilitate the exchange of knowledge on sustainable tourism, environmental conservation, best practices, use of technology and also, to work from their spaces on joint strategies and policies to address climate change for the good of the region.

Group photo of all forum participants.



Among those present at this meeting were the Minister of Tourism, Yadira Gómez and Vice Minister Luis Chávez; also Jair Urriola, Secretary of the Central American Commission for Environment and Development; Luis Redondo, President of the National Congress of Honduras; Anasha Campbell, Minister of Tourism of Nicaragua; Bader Dip, Mayor of La Ceiba; Yamily Valdes, Vice Minister of Tourism of Cuba; Magda Durán, Vice Minister of Tourism of Panama; Andrés Aguilar, Vice Minister of Tourism of Quintana Roo; Andrés Aguilar, Vice Minister of Tourism of Quintana Roo. Magda Durán, Vice Minister of Tourism of Panama; Andrés Aguilar, Vice Minister of Tourism of Quintana Roo. Also, Jorge Salaverri, vice minister of Natural Resources of Honduras; Gustavo Santos, director of the World Tourism Organization; Ariel Montoya, president of the Environmental Commission of the National Congress and Oscar Rueda, director of Tourism of CAF.



# Comayagua Mayor's Office launches the Digital Literacy project in this city

Virtual facilities that will be used.

## Digital Literacy in this city

The Mayor's Office of Comayagua, led by Mayor Carlos Miranda, in alliance with the Universidad José Cecilio del Valle (UJCV), the Zamora Terán Foundation, and Innova T, launched the Digital Literacy project in this city.

This project will be developed at the Center for Innovation and Technology Transfer (CITE), and the Mayor's Office of Comayagua, held the socialization and launching, with the participation of directors of schools, and public and private universities in the city.

"It is the first integration meeting with primary, basic, and higher education levels, with the purpose of socializing the operation of the CITE, a building built by



Mayor of Comayagua during the presentation.

the mayor's office with the support of the Spanish cooperation, with the purpose of opening spaces of opportunities in the world of technology to young university students and middle level; Our intention is to train them through a fully updated technology, also in entrepreneurship, as they will be able to design business strategies under a permanent advice; this is a project specifically to generate opportunities for young people of all levels, improve human resource skills, to be more competitive, taking into account the growth that Comayagua is having", said Carlos Miranda, Municipal Mayor of Comayagua. Mayra Falck. Director of InnovaT Foundation, said "Through this project we want to involve young people to make innovation, in terms of key elements, such as: digital literacy for young people in schools, to learn robotics, programming and basic

digitization, among others, also, universities will join us to create companies composed of lawyers, engineers, administrators and others, to develop applications for businesses or for development; we are here to accompany this subregion, and Comayagua becomes the first district of technological innovation in Honduras," she said.

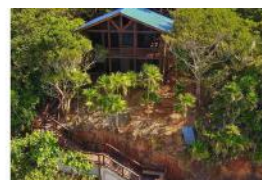
The Center for Innovation and Technology Transfer is the product of a synergy of work between the Mayor's Office of Comayagua and the Spanish Cooperation, and today other institutions are joining to implement the digital literacy project.

It is important to mention that CITE has rooms for coworking and business meetings, where young people will have access to 3D printers, computers with smart monitors, interactive screens, virtual reality glasses, and tablets, among others.



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STORIES THAT INSPIRE

# Henry Enamorado, From soccer player to social entrepreneur

Enamorado played in several national sports clubs.

Henry Enamorado in his new professional role.



**H**enry Enamorado a teacher, a dreamer someone passionate about what he does, my life after leaving soccer has been something very nice my dream has always been to be a teacher I finished my career in education and also started my business and my soccer academy.

My passion now is to give opportunities to boys and girls to succeed in life, using soccer as an instrument.

I studied Physical Education because it is linked to my love for sports and education.

The project was born as an idea of my friend Derik Hulse, a former soccer player and partner, where through soccer we could influence the integral education of children.

Sport is important because it teaches values and in addition to the body it strengthens the mind and spirit of the human being.

I want to leave a legacy of boys and girls who are good people and that every experience is treasured in their hearts.

I like Dante GEBEL's books.

My actor is Denzel Washington

My strongest anecdote was with Montagua I drank three energy drinks and fainted in the middle of the game I was about to die.

My favorite club is REAL JUVENTUD DE SANTA BARBARA

## PROFILE

Henry Alberto Enamorado Soto

45 years old

Single

Bachelor in Physical Education

Primary Education Teacher



In his great moments of glory.



Henry sharing his new passions.



**T**he Honduran Institute of Tourism through its Minister Yadira Gomez, President of the Association of Large Hotels of Honduras, represented by Mr. Piero Di Batista and Puncana have signed a collaboration agreement in order to continue promoting Roatan as a tourist destination.

The signing of the collaboration agreement with PUNCANA.COM took place in the city of Miami with the objective of making direct flights from Miami to Roatan, the ceremony was attended by Yadira Gomez (Minister of Tourism of Honduras), Jaqueline Ojeda (Puncana.com), Piero Dibattista (President Asociación Grandes Hoteles de Honduras) and the famous influencer and showman Carlucho.

This agreement will allow us to continue promoting the main tourist attractions of the island such as its beaches, natural parks, and places of historical and cultural interest; offering competitive and attractive prices for all travelers of the North American market, to increase the number of visitors and therefore, increase the foreign exchange that significantly supports the GDP, tourism and the economy of the country.

Piero Dibattista: "I declare satisfaction for this important achievement for the destination thanking Minister Gomez for the support and PUNCANA.COM for the trust.

I would also like to make a special mention to Luis Chevez (Vice Minister of Tourism) and Ricardo Martinez (in charge of the Honduran airports) who have been fundamental in these months with their efforts to achieve this result."

# Henry Morgan Hotel is an avant-garde hotel complex



IHT, Henry Morgan signed a collaboration agreement with Puncana.com to continue promoting Roatán as an international tourist destination.