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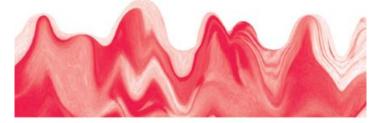


Monthly planner

Get out your diaries! We present just a handful of the cultural highlights of the month ahead.

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| THE XX Übercool British indie outfit The XX present their new album <i>Coexist</i> at the Poble Espanyol. See p. 38 | BARCELONA MOTOR SHOW Barcelona is transformed into the automobile world capital. See <i>p. 41</i> | SANT PONÇ MARKET Sant Ponç, patron saint of Barcelona's herbalists, is celebrated with sugary treats and sweet fragrances. See p. 41 |
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www.ciutatflamenco.com

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The Hot Seat

Lídia Pujol

Barcelona-born singer Lídia Pujol puts the words of extraordinary people to music. By **Ada Castells**

Your 'Converses singulars' ('Extraordinary Conversations') at the church of Sant Pau del Camp is a dialogue between music and people with something to say. How did you come up with the idea? Teresa Forcades [the Benedictine nun and Liberation theologian], saw me perform 'The ceremony of light' at the monastery of Sant Llorenc de Morunys. Later she invited me to give the opening concert at a conference on feminist theology. She has dedicated her life to preaching the importance of love, and I discovered that I had a talent for communicating the ideas we shared. There are many forms of communication. and music is one. And how do you pick your guests? They're people who are committed to using their talents, people I admire and love, and I want to share this with a third party, the audience. The concerts take place in a church - that can't be an accident.

We started out at the Sala Muntaner theatre, but I then met Monsignor Francesc Tort, from Sant Pau del Camp, who advocates all those things that give meaning to life: personal relationships, love and freedom. He's in charge of the church and is generously and openly sharing its thousand-yearold heritage so we can fill it with the identity of the present.

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Can you handle a gig a night from Monday to Sunday? If you're looking for a thriving live music scene, you've come to the right city. By **Ricard Martín** & **Maria Junyent**

SALA APOLO

Apolo is the pulsing heart of Barcelona's indie clubbing scene and a concert venue for live music of all genres. New and established names from the worlds of pop, rock, folk and electronic music hit its two stages every night of the week – the owners don't seem to have grasped the concept of a day off. Check their website for full details of upcoming gigs. With an average of 10 concerts a week, you're practically guaranteed to find something that rings your bell. **Nou de la Rambla, 113 0** 93 441 40 01

www.sala-apolo.com

RAZZMATAZZ

We'll go out on a limb here: this beast of a club with its five separate spaces is one of the best – or perhaps the best – in Barcelona. You'll find rock and indie at Razz Club, techno and house and The Loft, techno-pop in Sala Lolita, electro and pop in the Pop Bar and electro-rock in the Rex Room. As well as DJs, the club hosts gigs and large-scale live concerts that attract hugely diverse crowds. Everyone's played here, from the Arctic Monkeys to Bananarama. Together with Apolo, Razzmatazz rules the city's clubbing scene, so if it's nightlife you're after, this is where it's at, kids.

Almogàvers, **122** 93 272 09 10 www.salarazzmatazz.com

BARTS

Located right on the Avinguda Paral·lel, one of the city's most theatrical thoroughfares, Barcelona Arts on Stage is a multi-disciplinary performance space with a finger in every pie. You'll find theatre, circus, dance, stand-up, magicians and of course live music of all kinds, from mega-concerts to intimate solo shows. The venue formerly known as Arteria Paral·lel has reinvented itself as the epicentre of several citywide music festivals, including the Estrella Damm Jazz Festival. Highlights of May's programme include concerts as part of the 24th BCN Guitar Festival. Avinguda del Paral·lel, 62 0933248492

www.barts.cat



SIDECAR FACTORY CLUB

In a corner of Placa Reial, slap bang in the middle of the old city, you'll find this underground temple to indie rock. Twenty-five years after opening, it's in fine fettle, with a daily programme of DIs and gigs, and a dependable crowd of discerning regulars who you'll find propping up the bar week in, week out. Sidecar has helped launch new bands and welcomed back established acts. in a space where the contact between bands and audience is almost physical. And they say the cellar walls still echo to the carousing of sailors from the US Fleet looking for serious R&R on dry land ...

Pl. Reial, 7

9 93 302 15 86 www.sidecarfactoryclub.com

JAMBOREE

A jazz institution, Jamboree has done more than most to put Barcelona on the concert circuit for the biggest names in international jazz. The venue has seen performances from jazz giants of the stature of Bill Coleman, Kenny Drew, Chet Baker, Lou Bennet, Stéphan Grappelli, Kenny Clarke, Ornette Coleman and Dexter Gordon. A jamboree is a rowdy, boisterous gathering, so it's an appropriate name for a jazz cellar that has been a meeting place for artists and intellectuals ever since it opened – a driving force in the cultural history of the Plaça Reial. For those who want to continue the party, it's a short stagger across the square to Sidecar. **Pl. Reial. 17**

93 319 17 89 www.masimas.com/jamboree

LUZ DE GAS

If you haven't been to Luz de Gas, you haven't been out in Barcelona: it's a bona fide classic. Located in what was once the Belle Epoque cabaret, it has hung on to the elegantly theatrical décor, with tasselled chandeliers and velvet curtains. A pillar of the live music scene, it draws a diverse crowd. As well as concerts from international groups, every night features a session from one of their resident bands playing jazz, disco, pop, rock or soul.

Muntaner, 246

0 93 209 77 11 www.luzdegas.com



HELIOGÀBAL

One of Gràcia's musical mainstays. the Heliogàbal Cultural Association was formed in 1995 to promote art and culture in the district, and since 2001 they've focused their efforts on exhibitions, music and poetry. The intimate space hosts singersongwriters and groups with an indie vibe from Barcelona, the rest of Spain and abroad, with a weekly live jazz night. But regardless of what's on. Heliogàbal is one of those places it's hard to leave when the concert's overwhether it's because you're deep in conversation in the tiny patio space, or because you can't get through the crowd to the door.

Ramón y Cajal, 80 www.heliogabal.com

BIKINI

There are six different dance nights every week, from hip-hop to pop hits to Latin dance in this timelessly stylish nightclub. Bikini is a legend of the Barcelona nightlife scene. Although the main room is better known as a disco than a concert venue, you'll find at least a couple of live gigs here every month. **Diagonal, 547 9** 93 322 08 00 www.bikinibcn.com

BECOOL

Sala BeCool is where Barcelona's novelty-hungry music lovers go to find out what's happening in cities like London and Berlin. Since the venue opened, the owners have stayed true to their philosophy of programming DJs and cutting-edge groups in an intimate space with audience and artist in close proximity. You won't find a regular crowd – instead it varies from one gig to the next, depending on who's headlining.

Pl. Joan Llongueras, 5 933620413 www.salabecool.com

ROCK 'N' ROLL Nights

SALA ROCKSOUND

This tiny venue has seen more than its fair share of larger-than-life concerts. Its sticky bar, beery breath and a stripped-down aesthetic put patrons in the mood for undiluted rock 'n' roll. Because this is a temple to rock in all its incarnations: rockabilly, hard rock, country rock and blues. The walls have reverberated to everyone from rookies like Zach Williams and the Reformations to veterans like Sonny Vincent, the godfather of New York punk.

Almogàvers, 116

www.facebook.com/rocksound. almogavers

MAGIC CLUB

A rock-only dancefloor in Barcelona? Two words: Magic Club. It's the basement hangout of choice for diehard rockers looking for a break from wall-to-wall fashion labels and design bars, or just somewhere to get their drink on to a rock soundtrack from garage to punk. The miniscule stage has hosted Johnny Thunders, the Hellacopters and some of the best high-octane rock outfits from all over the world. Recently demoted by City Council decree from live venue to a mere disco, the venue's owners seem resigned to sitting back and watching the gradual decline of the glory days of rock. **Passeig Picasso. 40**

0 93 310 12 67 www.magic-club.net

HEY HO! BAR

Behind the medieval shipyards, at the seediest end of the Barrio Chino. there was once a grim little brothel. like so many others in the Raval. Then it was a Dominican bar. Now it's the Hev Ho! Bar, a quiet little tavern where you can listen to punk rock, hardcore and metal all night long. If you show up with your skateboard on Tuesdays between 7 and 10pm and pull off a trick on the pool built into the bar, you'll be rewarded with shots. You can order meat or veggie sandwiches till midnight, they put on acoustic concerts and show Barca matches. Draught beer is €1 until 11pm, and it's served with a plate of olives or peanuts. It's a down-and-dirty bar for the hardcore crowd: not for everyone, but if you're OK with baseball caps, tattoos and a rowdy party vibe, you'll fit in. Mina.3



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PRIMAVERA Sound

Five days of music that take Barcelona by storm. If it's spring, it must be Primavera Sound: the best pop, rock and electronic music going. By **Maria Junyent**

It's been over 10 years since Primavera Sound turned the end of Mav into the beginning of the festival season. Since the festival's first year in 2001, it has seen some of the biggest names in leftfield rock, pop and electronic music: Pixies, Aphex Twin, Neil Young, Sonic Youth, Portishead, The Pet Shop Boys, Lou Reed, Patti Smith, James Blake, Arcade Fire, Cat Power, Public Enemy, Franz Ferdinand, The White Stripes and LCD Soundsystem, to name, as they say, but a few. And this year's lineup does not disappoint. From over 100 groups who will be playing the Parc del Fòrum site, we've picked highlights for each of the festival's three main days, with something to suit all tastes and concerts during the daytime as well as the night.

Thursday 23rd features Animal Collective, Phoenix, the return of The Postal Service, Dinosaur Jr. and psychedelic rockers Tame Impala. There's no letup on Friday, with a visit from Blur, James Blake's ethereal post-dubstep, another hotly-anticipated reunion in the form of The Knife, The Jesus and Mary Chain, Daniel Johnston, the mellow Ethiopian jazz of Mulatu Astaku, and Tuareg musicians Tinariwein. One of the acts no one will want to miss Saturday will be Sixto Rodríguez, the songwriter whose career was restarted by the worldwide success of the documentary Searching for Sugar Man. Dead Can Dance will be delighting fans of their darkwave soundscapes, while veteran rappers Wu-Tang Clan set the crowds jumping with honed beats and rhymes. And there's still the reunited **Dexvs** Midnight Runners, My Bloody Valentine, Nick Cave and the revolutionary dance music of Syrian musician Omar Souleyman.

But the festival doesn't end here: Primavera takes over the entire city. The whole festival kicks off with a free concert with **The Vaccines**, **Delorean, Guards, The Bots** and **Aliment**. And 'Primavera als Bars' extends the festival to smaller venues and bars all round the city. **22-26 May**

The www.primaverasound.es



Come to Circuit!

No F1 nor GP lover can miss the beginning of the season at Circuit de Catalunya. By **Maria Junyent**



FORMULA 1 GRAND PRIX OF SPAIN

It's the return of the race that automotive enthusiasts and professionals live for. The Formula 1 Grand Prix of Spain, a benchmark in the automotive world is undoubtedly one of the most exciting races in the world.

The Circuit de Catalunya is the only place in Spain where it takes place. And that's not all: the Circuit is the site that hosts the Formula 1 Grand Prix for more days than any other with a grand total of 11 days - eight pre-season tests, followed by the three days of the Grand Prix, which takes place on 10, 11 and 12 May. The Circuit also brings with it an ideal opportunity to enjoy all the cultural activities, shopping and entertainment Barcelona has to offer.

All around the Circuit are restaurants featuring cuttingedge cuisine with plenty of atmosphere, and places made to have such a great time you'll find it hard to decide what to do.

GRAND PRIX APEROL DE CATALUNYA MOTOGP™

When the Formula 1 is behind us, the fun carries on for motor sports fans. On 14, 15 and 16 June the Circuit de Catalunya hosts the Grand Prix Aperol de Catalunya MotoGP: the big festival of motorcycling. This year, tickets (with a 10% discount until 15 May) will also get you privileges to enjoy all the amenities. What's more, you can get threet tickets in the stands for the price of those on the ground. And if you want to experience it all with even more intensity, you can take advantage of the nearby top-notch campsite.

www.circuitcat.com





Full Danish

Nordic-style cafés with great coffee, even better pastries and gorgeous interior design are springing up all over BCN. **Ricard Martín** does breakfast

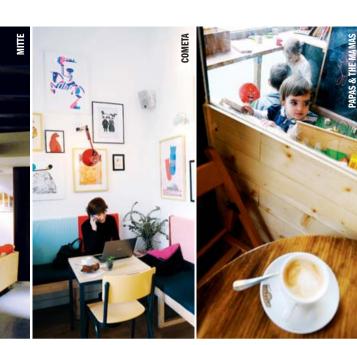
Fans of the full English or traditional high-protein Catalan breakfasts are out of luck: winter's over and heavy fuel is out of fashion. But the city's seen an explosion of picture-perfect cafés with northern European airs, transplanted from a world of fir trees and fjords to palm trees and parakeets.

A trail of crumbs...

Cosmo Café's little sister is called Cometa. This dainty corner café packs a devastating arsenal in the shape of home-made carrot cake and imported Danish cupcakes, croissants and bread. You can also order Nordic-style sandwiches, always served on hot bread, such as the salmon, cream cheese and lettuce combo.

Coffees all round

There are people out there who hate to see kids in cafés in restaurants. Not Omar Sayol, who has just opened Papas & the Mamas on the new stretch of the Poble Nou Rambla. There's plenty of room between the tables, a small play area and a fine selection of sticky pastries, buns and cakes from Xacolata, the patisserie next door, and they're all made with organic flour.



Interior design as art

This contemporary art gallery's café has become a favourite for local office workers, who flock here for breakfast, lunch and afternoon coffee. Alexandra Raschkes enlisted the help of her husband, architect Daniel Powell, to create one of the bestlooking and most charming cafés in town. Add authentic Austrian pastries and you couldn't feel more at home if you were sitting in your own living room.

Cupcakes for kids

Back to Poble Nou, with kids in tow. Three business partners have come together to open L'Atelier by Amis, a café that revolves around cupcakes, biscuits and kids. It's a colourful, friendly spot, with an upstairs floor that takes on cake-making classes, kids' parties and yoga classes. You can stop in for a yoga class, and follow that up with a breakfast of fresh orange juice, coffee, a pastry or a cupcake for €3.95.

A warm welcome

Damià Bosch, who some might know as the young and extremely able chef from El Mirador de la Venta, has now struck out on his own. His latest venture is in the form of a café: he's converted the Raval's slightly spartan Café Olivia into El Colectivo. The coffee is fantastic, and his breakfasts are outstanding: home-made cakes – do not pass up the stellar banana and chocolate cake – grilled ham and cheese croissants, yoghurt with muesli, and an extensive sandwich menu to boot.

COMETA

Parlament, 20. T. 93 007 32 03 PAPAS & THE MAMAS Rambla del Poblenou, 127-129. T. 699 203 854 MITTE Bailen, 86. T. 93 265 28 61 L'ATELIER BY AMIS Joncar. 29. T. 93 300 39 80 EL COLECTIVO Pintor Fortuny, 22. T. 93 318 63 80

Giardinetto

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Il Giardinetto attracts a faithful crowd composed of gourmets with great palates who know quality when they taste it and romantics who miss a bygone Barcelona. We love chef Jesús López's mouth-watering pasta, freshly made by hand every morning, and the inventive starters created by young chef Sergio 'Chiqui' Millet.

One dish that's not always on the menu (so do ask) is the *tagliolini paglia e fieno al pomodoro* (traditional yellow and green tagliolini pasta with tomatoes), whose superb presentation many Italian restaurateurs would love to be able to emulate. We tried some of Chiqui's creations at the bar, including *ou en panet d'ibèric*, a round bread roll filled with Iberian ham or *sobrassada* sausage and a poached free-range egg whose flavour permeates the whole dish.

Our starter was chunks of Parmesan served with mortadella, bresaola and breadsticks, which we followed with a hearty lentil salad. But it was the spicy red tuna tartare that drew a genuine gasp of appreciation. Two glasses of house red accompanied the light dinner, and fruit skewers with warm chocolate sauce topped it all off.



THE BILL

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| 1 chunks of Parmesan | 4.50 |
| 1 lentil salad | 4.90 |
| 1 bread roll with egg and ham | 9.00 |
| 1 mini foie toasted sandwich | 3.90 |
| 1 spicy tuna tartare | 8.70 |
| 2 glasses house red wine | 6.00 |
| 1 fruit skewer | 2.70 |
| 1 water | 2.30 |
| 1 coffeee | 2.10 |
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Japanese fusion



Duck with orange and yoshi sauce makes a fascinating addition to La Pepita's menu. It incorporates the tangy sauce that in Japan is used to heighten the flavour of eel.

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Our themed selection of Barcelona's best restaurants. By **Marcelo Aparicio**

Traditional

Cachitos

Great location, great food With an extensive menu of unpretentious dishes, the secret of their success is imaginatively hand-picked ingredients and common-sense cooking in the kitchen. Their jig-caught squid, and their Castilian beef steaks come highly recommended. Good wines and cocktails.

(Rambla de Catalunya, 33). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2,L3,L4). T. 93 215 27 18. €40-€60.

Can Lluís

Carvalho's hideout Can Lluís offers that much-sought-after combination of excellent food at affordable prices. Chef Ferran and a dynamic team provide great service, and cook fantastic rice dishes. The Olleta d'Alcoi was the favourite dish of Barcelona's most famous fictional detective, Pepe Carvalho. The dish tops the set menu dedicated to Carvalho's creator, Vazquez Montalban, which justifies a visit in itself.

(Cera, 49). M: Sant Antoni (L2). T. 93 441 11 87. €20 - €30. Set lunch menu available.

Can Vilaró

Home cooking A traditional eating house, where you'll find neglected specialties like brains in batter, *fideus a la cassola* done properly, or pigs cheeks. No set menu: à la carte only. (*Comte Borrell, 61*). M: Sant Antoni (L2). T. 93 325 05 78. €15-€20.

Chez Cocó

De luxe chocks In their imposing dining room – it's like eating in the dining car of the *Orient Express* with more elbow room – Chez Coco specialises in spit-roasting fowl of all description, including game. (*Gran Via, 604). M: Universitat* ((1,1,2). T. 93 301 97 43. e30-e40.

Els Ocellets

A Sant Antoni classic For over two decades, this restaurant run by the same family as its neighbour Can Lluís has been offering excellent traditional Catalan cuisine. As well as outstanding rice dishes, you can sample delicacies like brains and goat ribs in breadcrumbs. (Ronda de Sant Pau, 55). M: Sant Antoni (L2). T. 93 441 1046. €30-€40.

Set lunch and dinner menus available.

Fonda Espanya

Berastegui in the Raval The spectacular Art Nouevau dining hall of the Hotel Europa is home to traditional cuisine as reinterpreted by the creative genius of Martín Berasategui. During the summer months, it boasts a stunning terrace with views of the Raval. (Sant Pau, 9-11). M: Liceu (L3). T. 93 550 00 00. 620-660.

Gelida

Old-fashioned eats Gelida is a traditional bar/restaurant of the kind that are thin on the ground nowadays, ideal for tight budgets and hearty appetites. The cooked Catalan-style breakfast is a memorable experience. At lunchtime, prepare for a banquet with delicious starters and main dishes. The *capipota*, shoulder of lamb, and cod are excellent.

(Diputació, 133). M: Urgell (L1). T. 93 453 79 97. Under €20.

La Gardunya

Market eatery Once located in the Boqueria itself, La Gardunya opened in the 1970s as a hotel, but has since become the restaurant it is today, priding itself on a modern take on traditional food and high-quality produce.

(Jerusalem, 18, Barcelona). M: Liceu (L3). T. 93 302 43 23. €20 €40. Set lunch menu available.

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The house of gifts

Grey Street has original gifts at accessible prices. Among the designer stationery and vintage clothes, **Laia Beltran** decides that gift-giving starts at home

Wooden letters to spell out a name. A poster by Cavallini, made from vintage San Franciscan signs and prints. A sturdy unlined hardback notebook from Ask Alice. Total: 642. The birthday present was a hit, but I've got a confession to make: I did a little shopping for myself too. On the first trip I couldn't resist a gold crocheted sweater, and on the next, a poster of birds and feathers. Total: 617. They're still gifts if you give them to yourself, aren't they?

This must be a familiar scene at Grey Street, a stylish gift shop run by Amy Cocker, who's an adoptive Barcelonan originally from Australia. The shop is also her workspace and studio. She distributes two Australian labels in Spain: Zip Zip, who make pen drives from Lego blocks, and the pretty stationery line Ask Alice. She's especially keen on the latter – and it's not just because of the fantastic designs or the recycled paper – it's likely got a lot to do with the fact that it's all made by her sister.

Part of the shop is given over to Satan's Coffee Corner, run by her colleague Marcos. As well as devilishly good coffee, they stock English teas and china cups to serve it in. You'll also find an interesting selection of vintage clothes and accessories, hats, jewellery made by local designers and stacks of tiny gift ideas: pencils, postcards, stickers, fridge magnets, all carefully selected and highly affordable -50 cents, $\notin 1$, €3. 'I like kids to be able to buy a present for their mum.' says Amy. And that's when I got emotional and pledged undying love to the cutest gift shop in town.

GREY STREET

Peu de la Creu, 25. T. 93 174 35 06 Heartcore is Amy's own label. She uses printed fabrics to make badges, pencil cases and hand mirrors like this one, ideal for a handbag. (\in 4)





It's the apparent simplicity of **Ask Alice**'s postcards that seals the deal: typewriters, apples with a bite taken out of them or inquisitive foxes. (€3.90)

Rummaging among their stock of second-hand clothes you may unearth gems like this gold crochet sweater (\pounds 12), The hand-made black wooden necklace is by **Nipiku**. (\pounds 26)



Cavallini is a stationery brand from San Francisco that repurposes vintage illustrations to create posters, wrapping paper and notebooks, like this one. (\in 8) Shopping



Rediscovering BCN

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TURBULENT TIMES

Between 1936 and 1939 Barcelona was thrown into turmoil by the Civil War. To unravel the complex web of factions on the Republican side and show how the war marked the city, who better than expert guide Nick Lloyd, whose definitive guide to the Civil War in Barcelona is due out this year. His Spanish Civil War Tours run every Saturday 10am-1pm or by appointment. *iberianature.com*

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BCN PAST AND PRESENT

A critical stroll round the Eixample, or a look at the reinvention of Poble Nou and the city's seafront: the CCCB's guided tours aren't just photogenic, they invite reflections on the growth and development of a city in constant change. If you prefer your history straight, take a look at the MUHBA's guided tours. (In Spanish or Catalan only) http://www.cccb.org/en/itineraris

LIBERTINES AND NAZIS

The old city is rich in stories, but some are better known than others, say the owners of cultural tour company Via Barcelona. They retrace the steps of 18th-century libertines, as well as the Nazis who frequented the city in the late 1930s, especially in the Eixample. In the Born, they note the paradoxes of the stained glass windows in the Santa Maria del Mar church. *www.viabarcelona.net*

THE CITY AT YOUR FEET

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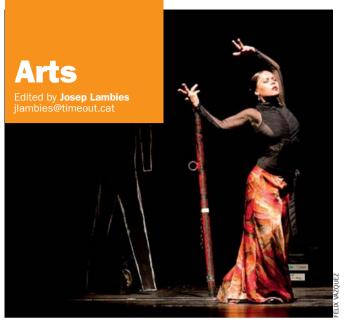
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Get strumming!

Poble-sec echoes to the sound of heels and hand clapping: flamenco takes over the Mercat de les Flors. By **Maria Junyent**

The organisers of the Ciutat Flamenco (Flamenco City) Festival are absolutely clear: 'Anyone can express themselves through flamenco. Any city anywhere in the world can be a flamenco city.' What's certain is that from 23 to 26 May, Barcelona will be more of a flamenco city than at any other time in the year.

The Mercat de les Flors, the city's centre for movement arts, will host four days of activities, including dance performances, concerts and workshops, all related to the universe of flamenco. This year, the festival pays homage to Barcelona-born flamenco singer and *bailaora* Carmen Amaya, often considered the greatest

flamenco dancer of her generation. It will also represent the first act to mark the centenary of Amava's birth, and the 50-year anniversary of her early death. In fact, the figure of Carmen Amaya perfectly incarnates the festival's spirit of transgression and universality. The event is intended to be a space for experimentation and creativity, in which unorthodox, subversive, interdisciplinary projects within the world of contemporary flamenco can find an outlet. For four days, the Mercat de les Flors will be buzzing with non-stop movement, challenging audiences to go beyond what they think they know.

Rediscovering flamenco

The daily programme begins with the 'P'alucine' sessions, in which films exploring the hidden side of flamenco are presented by their directors.

Not all the work shown is documentary however: a festival like this would not be complete without live music, from flamenco in the purest classical tradition to innovative fusion projects. Friday the 24th features a performance by María Muñoz-Mal Pelo, Colin Dunne, Hallgrim Hansegård and El Niño de Elche, from Catalonia, Ireland, Norway and Elche, respectively, who will use song and dance to explore the legacy of Carmen Amava, Audiences can also sample contemporary flamenco in the festival's 'Tapeos', which provide a space for talented young artists to show off their skills.

Each day culminates in concerts in which song, dance and music are brought together in pursuit of a single goal: the spirit of flamenco, in all its shapes and forms. On Thursday, Rocio Molina performs her show 'Danzaora': on Friday. Sistema Tango, Ensemble de Cuarto shed new light on the tango tradition. Saturday will see what is probably the highlight of the festival: rising stars of traditional Korean music Jeong Ga Ak Hoe take the stage with three great flamenco performers from Spain. Guitarist Marta Robles and singer Alba Carmona are both members of Las Migas, one of the most exciting flamenco fusion groups of the moment, and are accompanied by special guest José Antonio Martín 'Salao'. On Sunday the festival concludes with a final homage to Carmen Amaya, and a sardinada - an open-air sardine barbecue to ensure the event ends on a high note.

CIUTAT FLAMENCO www.ciutatflamenco.com

<mark>Video art</mark> Screen Festival 2013



Video art lovers, this one is for you. May sees Barcelona's 11th Screen Festival, 10 days that bring together creators, collectors and fans of the art of the moving image. The Screen Festival is a showcase for new creative strategies and is working to establish a permanent space to encourage interaction between local and international art platforms. This vear's festival is structured around two areas in which video artists are working, to enable audiences to engage with the realities and discourses that co-exist within the discipline. Sound & Vision explores the multiple points of contact between video art and music. emphasising the ways in which these two disciplines feed into one another. Poetics and Politics focuses on the political aspects of the poetics of contemporary video art.

During the final days of the programme – 23, 24 and 25 May – the festival hosts the Loop fair, a platform for some of the new work most eagerly anticipated by specialist audiences. This year the selection committee, chaired by collector Jean-Conrad Lemaître, will present a programme of 42 works, 18 of which are previously unseen. – *M. Juvyent*

SCREEN FESTIVAL 16-25 May



Disco fever

Dig out those flares and platforms: La Boîte Barcelona is bringing disco back in big way. By **Ricard Martín**

Imagine, if you will, Anytown USA, circa 1978. Disco mania has reached absurd proportions. There are discos on every corner – opening at midday so mini Tony Maneros can practise their moves during their lunch break. There are even discos at airports.

Clubbing nostalgia

La Boite Barcelona aims to revive those glory days. Promoters Mas i Mas have extended their nightlife empire to number 33, La Rambla, which was until very recently a strip club, the legendary Tabú. Sitting under the mirror balls and lasers, Joan Mas tell me that the company has bought the whole building. This is big project for us. Ask me if I'd prefer a disco on Fifth Avenue or on La Rambla and I'd pick La Rambla.' I alwavs had a feeling this club would end up being ours,' says Mas. Which sparks my own private attack of nostalgia: after the Stones concert in 1997, I ended up in the old Tabú club with a friend. But your correspondent preferred not to hang around sticking thousand-peseta notes to the dancer's costumes. Today the space looks stunning, the name a nod to the Mas family's first 'la Boîte,' the club on Diagonal that closed nine years ago. 'When we first open, we'll be playing classic disco and funk, just like we used to.' After that, new soulful house is the perfect music for going out and having a good timewhich is what people need.'

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Museum Night

Saturday 18

Over 60 of the city's museums open their doors with free entrance late into the night.

Flamenco City

Thursday 23

Flamenco City starts with a bang: Rocío Molina is at the forefront of modern flamenco.

Primavera Sound

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Saturday 25

Hard to pick from the packed line-up, but Sixto Rodríguez is guaranteed a warm reception.

Exhibitions

Information and sales: Tourist Information Points and www.barcelonaturisme.cat

Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona

(Pl. Pons & Clerch, 2). M: Arc de Triomf (L1) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 34 20. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Closed Sun and public holidays.

FREE Postwar Barcelona. A photographic report. Until 28 Sept.

Arxiu Històric de la Ciutat de Barcelona

(Santa Llúcia, 1). M: Jaume & (L4) & Urquinaona (L1,L4). T. 93 31 81 195. Mon-Fri, 9am-8.30pm. Sun 9am-1pm.

FREE Dipping into the Archive: Postwar Barcelona. The city under Mayor Miquel Mateu i Pla (1939-1945) Until Oct.

CaixaForum

(Av. Francesc Ferrer & Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 476 86 00. Mon-Fri 10am-8pm. Wed 10am-11pm. Sat, Sun 10am-9pm.

Windows on the world Until 31 Aug. Short films about people surviving in difficult circumstances, showing the reality of daily life in developing countries.

Georges Méliès. The magic of cinema Until 30 Jun. Homage to one of the most important early pioneers in the history of cinema, George Méliès. The exhibition includes projections, vintage film equipment and a collection of unique objects.

© What to think. What to desire. What to do. The 'La Caixa' Foundation's contemporary art collection Until 8 Sept. This three-part exhibition features works from the 'La Caixa' Foundation's contemporary art collection.

Seduced by art. Photography past and present Until 19 May. An innovative exhibition created in conjunction with the London's National Gallery, on the relationship between the great masters in the history of art, the photography of the mid-19th-century and the work of contemporary photographers.

Can Framis. Fundació Vila Casas

(Roc Boronat, 116-126). M: Glòries (L1), Poblenou (L4) & Llacuna (L4). T. 93 320 87 36. Tue-Sat., 11am-6pm. Sun 11am-2pm. €5, €2 (reduced).

Permanent exhibition

Contemporary painting from the Vila Casa Foundation, housed in a former cotton mill in Poble Nou's 22@ district.

100 years of Clavé *Until 14 Jul.* The legacy of painter, printmaker and designer Antoni Clavé, drawing on the Foundation's collection.

Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 256 44 45. Apr-Sep, 9am-9pm.

FREE Pati d'Armes. Sala 20. Carrasco & Formiguera. A life lived for freedom. Until 30 Jun.

FREE Pati d'Armes. Sala 14 & 15 The Condor Legion in the high Maestrazgo, 1938 Until 12 May.

FREE Pati d'Armes. Sala 16 & 17 The 'Comèdia' of Arcadi Artis. Works in graphite and gunpowder. Until 30 Jun

FREE Pati d'Armes. Sala 14 & 15 **Montjuïc, the construction of a castle.** Permanent exhibition, telling the story of Montjuïc and its castle.

Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona

(Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). T. 93 306 41 00. Tue-Sun & public hols, 11am-8pm. Closed Mon. €6. Reduced entry for pensioners and students on Wed (excl public holidays): €4. Free for under-16s, & unemployed, Thu 8pm-10pm & Sun 3pm-8pm.

The Bolaño Archive. 1977-2003 Until June. Homage to the Chilean writer, nine years his after premature death in Barcelona. Featuring previously unseen material from his estate.

Pasolini Roma 22 May-15 Sep. Filmmaker and writer Pier Paolo Pasolini's relationship with Rome.

CosmoCaixa

(Isaac Newton, 26). M: Av. Tibidabo (FGC). T. 93 212 60 50. Tue-Sun 10am8pm. €4 (permanent and temporary exhibitions). Reduced entry €2. First Sun of month: free.

Technorevolution Until 6 May. Interactive exhibition that allows visitors to experience the evolution of technology, with spaces dedicated to nanotechnology, biotechnology, IT and communications

Espais VolART-Fundació Vila Casas

(Ausiàs March, 22). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). T. 93 481 79 85. Tue-Fri 5pm-8.30pm, Sat 11am-2pm, 5pm-8.30pm. Sun 11am-2pm. €1, 50¢ (reduced).

Carral / Anzano. The experience of dialogue Until 26 May. Martin Carral, whose work is part of the Foundation's collection, and Carmen Anzano, an invited artist, have two very different creative approaches with a shared aim: to explore the limits of perception.

Lita Cabellut 9 May-21 Jul. Career retrospective on Catalan painter and sculptor Lita Cabellut.

Fundació Antoni Tàpies

(Aragó, 255). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2,L3,L4). T. 93 487 03 15. Tue-Sun 10am-7þm. €7, €5.60 (reduced).

Antoni Tapies. Collection, # 5 Until 2 Jun. A new selection of works from the collection, presenting a chronological journey through the different phases of Tapies's career. Contra Tapies Until 2 June.

Contra Tapies Until 2 June. Structured around works by Gerhard Richter, James Lee Byars, Joseph Beuys and others, as well as documentary materials and unfinished projects, this exhibition sets out to shed new light on Tàpies's work.

Fundació Francisco Godia

(Diputació, 250). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2,L3,L4) & Provença (FGC). T. 93 272 31 80. Mon-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Tue. €7, €4 (reduced).

The Museo del Prado and contemporary artists Until 13 May. Twenty-four contemporary artists, among them Miquel Barceló, Eduardo Chillida and Ouka Leele, who have engaged in an intimate dialogue with artworks held by Madrid's Museo del Prado.

Fundació Joan Miró

(Parc de Montjuïc, s/n). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 443 94 70. Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Thu 10am-9.30pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mondays. €11. Espai 13, €2.50.

Insomnia Until 16 Jun. Aspects of cinema, considered as an artistic discipline, that have inspired artistic research and exploration.

Espai 13, Eight or ten, six or seven wolves 3 May until 30 June. Arieta/Vázquez's project for Espai 13 looks at sport and its relationship with progress.

Fundació Suñol

(Passeig de Gràcia, 98). M: Diagonal (L3-L5). T. 93 496 10 32. Mon-Fri, 11am-2pm & 4-8pm. Sat 4-8pm. €6. Reduced: €3.

Level Zero Act 25: Luz Broto. "To occupy a grandstand" Until 18 May. Projection of Luz Broto's video, which documents an action in which local people occupied the grandstand of the old Barcelona dog track.

Continuum. The fifth anniversary of the Josep Suñol collection Until 31 Dec. 30 works by artists including Miquel Barceló, Andy Warhol, Robert Llimós, Isidre Manils and Zush.

Craphic works. Until 7 Sept. Picasso's series of 26 aquatints depicting the world of bullfighting, made in 1959 to illustrate texts by José Delgado.

Jardí Botànic

(Doctor Font i Quer, s/n). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). T. 93 256 41 60. April May and Sept: daily, 1am-7pm.

May and Sept: daily, 1am-7pm. Jardí Botànic (MCNB - Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona) Permanent collection of plants from Mediterranean climate zones all over the world.

La Pedrera

(Provença, 261-265). M: Provença (FGC) & Diagonal (L3,L5). T. 902 400 973. www.lapedrera.com. Mon-Sun, 9am-6.30pm (last admission: 7.30pm) €16.50, €14.85 (reduced).

FREE Exhibition Hall Chema Madoz. Ars combinatoria Mon-Sun 10am-8pm. Until 28 Jul. Chema Madoz is one of the most important names in contemporary Spanish photography. The show features over 70 works dating from the 1980s up to the present day.

Macba. Museu d'Art Contemporani

(Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (11,L2) & Sant Antoni (12). T. 93 412 08 10. Mon-Fri 11am-7.30pm; Sat 10am-9pm; Sun & public holidays, 10am-3pm. Tue closed, except public holidays. Whole museum ticket, €9 (reduced €7). Single exhibition ticket, €6 (reduced, €5).

Eulàlia Grau. I have never painted golden angels *Until 26 May.* Works from the 1970s and early 1980s by Catalan artist Eulàlia Grau. Gender stereotypes, the exploitation of the working class, and the mechanisms of repression are some of the subjects she addresses.

Written on the wind. Drawings by Lawrence Weiner Until 24

Eulàlia Grau is

far from a painter

of golden angels.

Let's just say her

interests lie more in

social and political

problems as they

affect society.

Jun. A retrospective on the work of American artist Lawrence Weiner, one of the most influential artists of the second half of the 20th century.

MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 319 56 93. Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. €7, €5 (reduced).

< A century of Catalan

sculpture 11 Apr-17 Jun. Almost 300 figurative works by more than 80 artists make up this exhibition on sculpture in Catalonia from the mid-19th century up to the present day.

MIBA. Museu d'Idees i Invents de Barcelona

(Ciutat, 7). M: Jaume & (L4). T. 93 332 79 30. Tue-Fri 10am-2pm, 4pm-7pm; Sat, Sun 11am-7pm; Sun & public holidays, 10am-2pm. €7.

Permanent exhibition

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MUHBA El Call

(Placeta de Manuel Ribé). M: Liceu

(L3) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 21 22. Tue-Fri 10am-2pm, 4pm-7pm; Sat, Sun 11am-7pm. Public holidays and Mondays before a public holiday 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. €2.20.

Salomó ben Adret (1235-1310). The Triumph of an Orthodoxy. Permanent exhibition. Salomó ben Adret, also known as the Rashba, was a Catalan Jewish leader and Rabbi at the main synagogue of Barcelona, and served under three kings as advisor for Jewish Affairs.

MUHBA Museu d'Història de Barcelona

(Pl. del Rei). M: Jaume & (L4). T. 93 256 21 22. Tues-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm (Sun free after 3pm). Sun and Mon before public holidays, 10am-2pm, Closed Mon. 67. Under-16s free. Sunday afternoon, free.

Museu d'Història de la Ciutat Permanent exhibition. Beneath the Plaça del Rei, in the Gothic quarter, a remarkable archaeological journey allows visitors to discover the Roman town of Barcino.

FREE Laboratori MUHBA. Collecting the city. Until 11 Apr.

MUHBA Park Güell

(Olot, s/n. Casa de la Guarda). T. 93 256 21 22. 1 Apr-30 Sept: Mon-Sun 10am-8pm. €2. (Sun free after 3pm.)

MUHBA Park Güell Permanent exhibition.

MUHBA Refugi 307

(Nou de la Rambla, 169). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). T. 93 256 21 22. Sat, Sun 10am-2pm, by appointment. Public holidays, dosed. €3.40.

MUHBA Refugi 307 Permanent exhibition. In 400 metres of underground passageways, visitors can relive Barcelona's past, which, during the Civil War, was subject to a new form of warfare: indiscriminate bombing of the civilian population.

MUHBA Santa Caterina

(Pl. de Joan Capri). T. 93 256 21 22. Mon-Sat 10am-2pm. Closed

Sun and public holidays.

FREE Permanent collection Inside the beautifully renovated Santa Caterina Market, this exhibition revisits the most significant events in the history of Barcelona history, from the bronze age to the most recent examples of contemporary architecture.

MUHBA Vil·la Joana. Casa Verdaguer

(Carretera de l'Església, 104. Vallvidrera). T. 93 256 21 22. Sat, Sun,, 10am-2pm; Tue-Fri groups by appt only. Closed Mon.

FREE MUHBA VII-la Joana. Casa Verdaguer Permanent exhibition The poet Jacint Verdaguer, one of the key figures in the revival of Catalan as a literary language, spent the last years of his life in this 19-century villa.

Museu Blau

(Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). T. 93 256 60 02. Tue-Fri 10am-7pm; Sat, Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon. €6, €2. 70. Museum & Botanical Gardens, €7, €5 (reduced).

Entrance hall Animalàrium Animal sculptures by Miquel Aparici, made from recycled materials.

Planeta Vída Permanent exhibition. This exhibition explores thee history of life and its evolution on our planet.

Museu de Badalona

(Pl. Assemblea de Catalunya, 1). Badalona. M: Pep Ventura (L2). T. 93 384 1750. Tue-Sat 10am-2pm, 5pm-8pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2pm. 66

Baetulo, a Roman City Permanent exhibition. The exhibition includes the underground space beneath the museum, which houses the remains of the Roman baths and the Decumanus Maximus, one of the most significant archaeological sites in the whole of Catalonia.

Museu de l'Eròtica

(La Rambla, 96). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). T. 93 318 98 65. Mon-Sun 10am-10pm. €9, €8 (reduced).

C Permanent Exhibition This permanent exhibitions includes the show 'The Hottest Guinness'. Discover

the weirdest and most way-out secrets of human sexuality.

Museu de la Moto de Barcelona

(Carrer de la Palla, 10). T. 933 186 584. Tue-Sat 10am-2pm, 4pm-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. €6, €4 (reduced).

The Montjuïc International 24 hour race Until 30 Jun. The story of the popular road race that was held on Montjuïc for 32 years, from 1955 to 1986.

The history of the motorbike in Catalonia. The story of motorbikes in the region, told using the 36 most representative models, from the earliest examples to those ridden by champions.

Museu de la Música

(L'Auditori. Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1) & Marina (L1). T. 93 256 36 50. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Tue. €4, €3 (reduced). Free admission Sun afternoon.

The sound of light. Mompou & Gaudi Until 3 Jun. An exhibition and audiovisual concert illustrates the parallels between the music of Frederic Mompou (1893-1987) and the architecture of Antoni Gaudi.

Museu de Montserrat

(Abadia de Montserrat. 08199 Montserrat). Monistrol de Montserrat. T. 93 877 77 45. Mon-Sun 10am-5.30pm. ϵ 7, ϵ 4 (reduced).

Permanent exhibition Paintings by El Greco, Caravaggio, Tiepolo, Monet, Sisley, Degas, Pissarro, Miró, Dalí, Picasso, Le Corbusier, Chagall and Braque.

Espai d'Art Pere Pruna Jordi Fornas, painter Until 9 Jun. The most emblematic works of the painter Jordi Fornas.

Sala Pere Daura Parallel universes. Waltraud Maczassek Until 9 Jun. Waltraud Maczassek draws inspiration from nature to explore inner landscapes.

Museu del Futbol Club Barcelona

(Aristides Maillol, s/n. Estadi FCB. Gates 7 or 9). M: Les Corts (L3). T. 902 18 99 00. 2 Apr-7 Oct: Mon-Sat 10am8pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2.30pm. 8 Oct-1 Apr: Mon-Sat 10am-6.30pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Camp Nou Tour available until one hour before museum dosing time. €23. Children €17. Under-6s and FCB members, free.

Camp Nou Experience Permanent exhibition. Discover 100 years of the club's history, visit different zones of the Camp Nou and relive the club's greatest moments in the multimedia zone.

Museu del Mamut

(C/Montcada, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 268 85 20. Mon-Sun 10am-9pm. €7.50, €5 (reduced). Children (6-15 years old): €3.50.

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Museu del Modernisme Català

(Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2,L3,L4). T. 93 272 28 96. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2pm. €10.

Permanent exhibition See 350 works by 42 of the most important artists of the Catalan modernisme movement, housed in what was once a textile factory.

Museu Egipci

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2,L3,L4). T. 93 488 01 88. Mon-Sun 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm. 8 Jan-21 Jun and 12 Sept-30 Nov: closed 2pm-4pm. (except Easter week and public holidays). €11, €8 (reduced).

Tutankhamen: The story of a great discovery Until 31 May. Marking the 90th anniversary of the great archaeological find, this exhibition describes the discovery of Tutankhamen's tomb.

Museu Frederic Marès

(Plaça de Sant Iu, 5). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 35 00. Tue-Sat 10am-7pm. Sun & public holidays 11am-8pm. Closed Mon except public holidays. €4.20.

Irreverent Barcelona. Until 26 May This exhibition is a reflection on public festivities in 19th-century Barcelona.

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

(Parc de Montjuëc). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 622 03 60. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-3pm. €12. Free admission Sat afternoon, 3-6pm Temporary exhibitions: consult museum website.

Permanent exhibition This is the most important collection of Romanesque art in the world, and the unique phenomenon of Catalan modernisme.

C North Africa. Ortiz Echagüe Until 21 Jul. Photographer José Ortiz shot these in North Africa between 1909 and 1916, and they're now showing for the first time. Ortiz was one of the most important Spanish photographers of the 20th century.

← Fortuny's 'The Battle of Tetuan' From the trenches to the museum Until 15 Sep. To mark the 175th anniversary of the birth of painter Marià Fortuny (1838-1874), this exhibition centres on 'The Battle of Tetuan', one of Fortuny's most iconic works and one of the museum's most popular paintings.

Gods and myths of antiquity *Until 29 Sept.* The coins of Roman Spain.

Museu Olímpic i de l'Esport Joan Antoni Samaranch

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 292 53 79. Apr. Sep. Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Oct-Mar: Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun & public holidays 10am-2.30pm. €5.10. Students €2.60. Under-14s free. Over-65s free.

Estudi Pilar Villuendas Until 16 Jun.

Museu Picasso

(Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 30 00. Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). €11 (combined ticket for museum + temporary exhibition). Temporary exhibition only: €6.

The Museu Picasso, 50 years in Barcelona. Origins *Until 9 Jun.* This, the first of three exhibitions that celebrate the 50th anniversary of the creation of the Museu Picasso, focuses



primarily on the museum's earliest beginnings.

I, Picasso. Self portraits 31 May-1 Sep. This major exhibition focuses solely on Picasso's self portraits.

Palau Robert

(Pg. de Gràcia, 107). M: Diagonal (L3,L5). T. 93 238 80 91. Mon - Sat, 10am-7pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-2.30pm.

FREE Sala 1 The madman of the **Hispano** 14 May-1 Sep. The story of entrepreneur Ramon Casanova i Danès at the turn of the 19th century and the progression from the traditional forge to modern metal working.

FREE Sala 2 Born to run. 30 years of Doctor Music Until 12 May. Images, sounds, objects and memories of Doctor Music, the music promoters founded in 1982 by Neo Sala.

FREE Sala 3 Jaume de Laiguana. Photographs. Retrospective 1997-2012 28 Feb-26 May. One hundred and fifty large-format works by Jaume de Laiguna, an art director, producer and photographer who has worked in design and advertising for 25 years.

FREE Sala 4 20 years of the friends of the Liceu 7 May-16 Jun. The history of this association dedicated to popularising opera and classical music in general.

FREE Jardí Peralada 4-31 May. Photography exhibition.

Pis-museu Casa Bloc

(DHUB-Casa Bloc. C. d'Almirall Proixida, 1-3-5). M: Torras i Bages (L1). Guided visit by appt. T. 93 256 34 63. Tue-Fri 10am-1pm; Sat, Sun 3pm-5.30pm. La Casa Bloc (1932-1939) is an outstanding example of accommodation built for workers during the Second Spanish Republic. A symbol of rational social housing in Barcelona.

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). M: Reina Elisenda (FGC). T. 93 256 34 34. Tues-Fri and public holidays 10am-2pm. Sat, Sun 10am-5pm. €5, €3.10 (reduced).

Murals under the magnifying glass. Paintings from the Sant Miquel Chapel *Until 31 Dec.*

Virreina Centre de la Imatge

(La Rambla, 99). M: Liceu (L3). T. 93 316 10 00. Tue-Sun and public holidays nooon-8pm.

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Theatre

El Molino

(Vilà i Vilà, 99). www.elmolinobcn. com. M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). Advance: www.elmolinobcn.com.

C El Molino lifts your spirits *Thu-Sun, 6.30pm. €35.* A vision of El Molino's notorious past, with sequins, feathers and plenty of humour.

C El Molino Burlesque Fever *Thu-Sat 9.30pm. €35.* The vitality and sensuality of drag and cabaret.

El Molino 'Flamenco & copla' Tue Tpm & 9pm. With drink: e39. With tapas supper: e66. Follow the journey from the best-known 'coplas' – the popular Spanish song form – to flamenco.

C Barcelona Burlesque Festival 22-26 May. Wed 9.30pm; Thu-Sat 6.30pm & 9.30pm; Sun 6.30pm. This festival features performances by some of the biggest international names in burlesque.

Teatre Gaudí Barcelona

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). T. 93 603 51 52. www. teatregaudibarcelona.com. M: Sagrada Família (L2,L5) & Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Ticket offices open one hour before performance. Advance: www. ticketmaster.es

Cuentos Cruentos *Tue, Wed* 8.30pm. 620. Musical in Spanish. 'Bloody Stories' is an irreverent updated versions of well-known tales: the seven dwarves are on the dole, the three little pigs are homeless, and Cinderella has put on a lot of weight.

Els guapos són els raros Thu-Sat 8.30pm; Sun 6pm. 620. From 15 May. In Catalan. In 'The good-looking are the weirdos', the cools kids challenge the school nerds to a graduation day contest. Who are the real oddballs, the in-crowd and the geeks?

Teatre Lliure: Gràcia

(Montseny, 47). T. 93 238 76 25. www.teatrelliure.com. M: Fontana (L3) & Joanic (L4). Ticket offices open Mon-Fri 5pm-8pm. Weekends & public holidays, from 5pm. Advance: 902 106 369 or www.teatrelliure.cat

The Stranger by Albert Camus. Dir: Carles Alfaro. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 9pm; Sun 6pm. €19.05-€28. Until 12 May. In Catalan.

Hedda Gabler Wed-Fri, 8.30pm. Sat 5.30pm & 9pm. Sun 6pm. €19.05-€28. 22 May-16 Jun. In Catalan. A modern-day view of Henrik Ibsen's classic play.

Teatre Lliure: Montjuïc

(Pg. Santa Madrona, 40-46). T. 93 289 27 70. www.leatrelliure.com. M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC) & Poble Sec (L3). Ticket offices open: weekdays 9am-8pm (Plaça Margarida Xirgu offices). Three hours before performances start (Sala Fabià Puigserver offices). Advance: www.teatrelliure.cat

Els feréstecs (The Boors) by Carlo Goldoni. Dir: Pau Carrio. Wed-Fri, 8.30pm; Sat 5.30pm & 9pm; Sun 6pm. 621.30-630.25. Until 19 May. In Catalan.

Paisaje sin casas (Landscape without houses) de Pablo Ley. Dir: Aleix Fauró Wed-Fri9pm; Sat 9.30pm. 612-615. Until 4 May. In Spanish. This play explores the world of three deadbeat characters in the dirty, monotone Barcelona of the late seventies.

Teatre Nacional de Catalunya

(Pl. de les Arts, 1). T. 93 306 5700. www.tnc.cat. M: Glòries (L1) & Monumental (L2). Ticket offices open Wed-Fri 3pm-7pm; Sat 3pm-8.30pm; Sun 3pm-5pm. Advance: 902 10 12 12 & www.telentrada.com.

Barcelona by Pere Riera. Wed-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. 619.05-638.09.8 May-22 Jun. In Catalan. Two female friends driven apart by the love for a man and the fate of a country.

Llibertat by Santiago Rusiñol. Dir: Josep M^a Mestres. Wed-Fri & Dm; Sat 5pm & 9.30pm; Sun 6pm (except: 4 May, 9pm & 8-23 May, Wed & Thur, 5pm). & 15.69-& 31.37.1 May-9 Jun. In Catalan. The challenges of being different in a traditional world.

Teatre Poliorama

(La Rambla, 115). T. 93 317 75 99. www.teatrepoliorama.com. M: Catalunya (L1, L3). Ticket office open: Tue-Fri from 5pm; Sat from 4pm until performance starts. Advance: 902 33 22 11 and www.ticketmaster.es.

Dubte (Doubt: a Parable) by John Patrick Shanley. Dir: Silvia Munt. Wed-Fri 9pm; Sat 6pm & 9pm; Sun 6pm. (Except: 1 May, 6pm.) €20-€28. 1 May-9 Jun. In Catalan. A key work in contemporary American theatre, which garnered the Pulitzer theatre prize and a Tony award for best play.

Dance

Mercat de les Flors

(Lleida, 59). T. 93 426 18 75. www. mercatflors.cat. M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC) & Poble Sec (L3). Ticket office opens one hour before performances. Advance: www. mercatflors.cat.

Flamenco City Festival 23-26 May. Main concerts: €22. Empirical flamenco: €10-€15. Flamenco-related activities with new shows, concerts, films, exhibitions and DJ sessions. Celebrating the legacy of Carmen Amaya. Info: www.ciutatflamenco.com

Cor Perdut+Naked Thoughts+In Memoriam+Whim Fractured Fairytale, d'II Dansa 2-5 May. 8.30pm (except: Sun, 6pm). 68-616.50. IT Dansa presents contemporary choreography from Spain and abroad.

Secció irregular: Aimar Pérez Galí / Gary Stevens. 'Delta' 8 May, 8.30pm. €6-€12. This contemporary choreographic score picks up the baton from minimalist choreographers of the 1970s such as Lucinda ChilSat

Secció irregular: Daniel Linehan / Jaume Ferrete. 'Zombie/Aporia' 11 May, 8.30pm. 66-612. A trio of dancers combine dance with song.

INFORMATION AND SALES

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Day by day

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Wednesday 1

Classical music

Morning sessions at the Palau. Spanish and Catalan music Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 12pm. €25. The music of Falla, Albéniz, Granados, Toldrà and others in the unique setting of the Palau de la Música.

Russian Opera Stars Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. 612.42-648.48. Gala concert with soloists from Saint Petersburg's Mariinsky Theatre.

Carl Pedro J. González. Masters of the Spanish guitar Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4) 9pm. €28-€32.

Flamenco

*El flamenco de los Cabales' Tablao Flamenco Cordobés (La Rambla, 35). M: Drassanes (L3) & Liceu (L3). 8.30pm, 10pm & 11.30pm. €41 (ind. 1 drink). Show featuring stars of the flamenco scene.

Jazz

Jazz Nights at the Palau

Dalmases *Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue & Wed, 10pm. €20.* Live jazz in a beautiful palace in the Ribera district.

Pop

The Musical Box 'Re-creation of

Genesis' BARTS (Barcelona Arts on Stage) (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 8pm. \notin 26- \notin 36.

Guided tour

💶 The Gaudí Crypt at the Colònia

Güell (Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat from Pl. Espanya (FGC: S33, S8, S4). 10am-7pm. Sun 10am-3pm. 69 (ind. audio guide). €7.50 (reduced).

Thursday 2

Classical music

≪□ **'Das Rheingold'. Richard Wagner** *Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €11.75-€233.* Opera.

Canuel González. Masters of the Spanish guitar Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 9pm. €21.

Flamenco

Copera and flamenco Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40. Innovative concept that brings together the Spanish traditions of opera, zarzuela and flamenco in a single show.

Flamenco at the Nervión Tablao Flamenco Nervión (Princesa, 2). M: Jaume I (L4). 10pm.

Indie rock

The XX Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 508 63 00. 7.30pm. 638.50-643. UK trio return with *Coexist*, evolving their sound while remaining true to their spare, original style.

Jazz

José James Luz de Gas (Muntaner, 246). M: Diagonal (L3,L5). 8pm. 630. 625 (advance). The latest US sensation, effortlessly mixing jazz, hip-hop, R&B, electronic music and neo-soul.

Friday 3

Blues

➡ Friday Blues at the Palau Gomis -MEAM MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). 6pm. €11, €9 (reduced). Enjoy the best blues and jazz in a unique 18thcentury palace.

Classical music

Jean-Guihen Queyras, cello Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4). 8pm. 620 630. One of the most outstanding cellists of his generation plays the J.S. Bach 'Suites'.

The OBC with Alexandre Tharaud

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 9pm. €23-€51. Works by Bach, Revueltas and Villa-lobos.

Sport

Barcelona International Classic

Polo Tournament Reial Club de Polo de Barcelona (Av. Dr. Gregorio Marañón, 19-31). 3-5 & 10-12 May. More information: www.rcpolo.com.

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. The legendary jazz club offers a full programme of jazz, blues, funk and hip-hop.

Rock

Los Coronas + Los Mambo Jambo

Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 9pm. €22, €18 (advance). Fiery instrumental rock with two of the genre's hottest.

Saturday 4

Al fresco

< Barcelona Urban Forest

Barcelona Bosc Urbà (Plaça del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). €8-€19 (prices vary depending on age and circuit chosen). Get some highadrenaline exercise in an adventure park with 30 attractions.

Blues

Eric Burdon Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 8.30pm 640, 635 (advance). Lead vocalist of English sixties sensation The Animals promotes his solo album to coincide with the band's 50th anniversary.

Classical music

The Art of the Guitar. 'Carmen' Parròquia de Santa Anna (Santa Anna, 29). 9pm. 621. The Spanish guitar in concert with music by Albéniz, Granados, Rodrigo, Tàrrega, among others. The OBC with Alexandre Tharaud L'Auditori (Lebant, 150). M: Glòries



(L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 7pm. €23 - €51. See Fri 3.

Traditional festivities

FREE Sardanas (Plaça de la Catedral). 6pm, Traditional Catalan dance. FREE Castellers Plaça de la Catedral. 6.30pm, Exhibition of spectacular human tower building.

Flamenco

Great Flamenco Gala Palau de la Música Catalana Petit Palau (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 7pm. €30-€40. The exhilarating world of flamenco in a show that combines music, rhythm and movement.

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Pop

Senyors Tranquil + The Free Ball Band

Luz de Gas (Muntaner, 246). M: Diagonal (L3,L5). 8pm. €19, €15 (advance).

Rock

The Ataris+Daylight+Cancer La2

d'Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 8pm. €15, 12€ (advance).

Sunday 5

Classical music

The OBC with Alexandre Tharaud

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 11am. €23-€51. See Fri 3.

Sport

Barcelona International Classic

Polo Tournament Reial Club de Polo de Barcelona (Av. Dr. Gregorio Marañón, 19-31). 3-5 & 10-12. More information: www.rcpolo.com.

League fixture. FC Barcelona -

Betis Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). Time to be confirmed. Sport. Football.

Traditional festivities

FREE Sardanas (Plaça de la Catedral). 11.15am. Traditional Catalan dance. FREE Sardanas (Avda. de Gaudí). 12pm. Traditional Catalan dance.

Flamenco

Copera and flamenco Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40. See Thu 2.

Guided tour

FREE Guided tour of Poble Nou

Cemetery Cementiri de Poblenou (Av. Icària, s/n). M: Llacuna (L4). 10.30am (Catalan) & 12.30pm (Spanish).

Monday 6

Flamenco

• 'El flamenco de los Cabales'

Tablao Flamenco Cordobés (La Rambla, 35). M: Drassanes (L3) & Liceu (L3). 8.30pm, 10pm & 11.30pm. €41 (ind. 1 drink). See Wed 1.

Jazz

Old Dixieland Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 7pm. €20-€25.

Guided tour

The Gaudí Crypt at the Colònia Güell (Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat from Pl. Espanya (FGC: S33, S8, S4). 10am-7pm. Sun 10am-3pm. E9 (ind. audio guide). €7.50 (reduced).

Tuesday 7

Classical music

Christophe Rousset, harpsichord

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). $8.30pm. \in 28$. Works for the harpsichord by Baroque composers.

The Art of the Guitar. 'Carmen'

Parròquia de Santa Anma (Santa Anma, 29). 9pm. €21. The Spanish guitar in concert with music by Albéniz, Granados, Rodrigo, Tàrrega and others.

Flamenco

'El flamenco de los Cabales'

Tablao Flamenco Cordobés (La Rambla, 35). M: Drassanes (L3) & Liceu (L3). 8.30pm, 10pm & 11.30pm. €41(ind. 1 drink). See Wed 1.

lazz

Jazz Nights at the Palau

Dalmases Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue & Wed 10pm. €20. See Wed 1.

Kids

In small hand / Teia Moner Company Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer & *Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 508 63 00. 12.30pm.* Puppets and magic for the whole family.

Wednesday 8

Classical music

Xavier Coll. Masters of the

Spanish guitar Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau Música, 4-6).M: Urquinaona (L1,L4) 9pm. € 28-€ 32. The Spanish guitar in concert.

Flamenco

Great Flamenco Gala Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115), M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40. This exhilarating show combines music, rhythm and movement.

lazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Thursday 9

Classical music

Casals Quartet L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 8.30pm. €28. Works by Mozart, Schumann and Kurtág.

Xavier Coll. Masters of the Spanish guitar Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 9.30pm. €21. The Spanish guitar in concert.

车 Opera nights at the Palau Dalmases Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Thurs, 11pm. €20. Live opera in one of the most attractive palaces in Barcelona's Ribera district.

Funk

Maceo Parker Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M:

Urquinaona (L1,L4). 9pm. €18-€48 Maceo Parker's name is synonymous with funk; his sax-playing defined the genre alongside greats such as James Brown, George Clinton and Sly Stone.

lazz

Jazz concerts at Milano Cocktail

Bar Milano Cocktail Bar (Ronda Universitat, 35). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 8.30pm (double session). Cover charge, €8. Live jazz, blues and swing with artists from Spain and around the world.

Pop

La Casa Azul BARTS (Barcelona Arts on Stage) (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 9pm. $\in 16 \cdot \in 18$. Catalan group promote their latest album, La fiesta universal.

Friday 10

Other

Barcelona Motor Show, Fira de Barcelona (Av. Reina Maria Cristina, s/n). More information: www. salonautomobil.com. 9-19May..

Classical music

Gregory Sokolov, piano Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 8.30pm. €14-€60. Works by Schubert & Beethoven.

The Art of the Guitar. 'Aranjuez' *Parròquia de Santa Anna (Santa Anna, 29). 9pm. €21.* The Spanish guitar in concert with music by Albéniz, Granados, Rodrigo, Tàrrega and others.

Sport

< Formula 1 Gran Premio de España Circuit de Catalunya (Ctra. de Granollers a Parets Km 2). Montmeló. Times and full programme information at: www.circuitcat.com. 10-12 May. **Barcelona International Classic** Polo Tournament Reial Club de Polo de

Barcelona (Av. Dr. Gregorio Marañón, 19-31). 3-5 & 10-12 May. More information: www.rcpolo.com.

Flamenco

Opera and flamenco Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40. See Thu2.

Jazz

▲ Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Pop

Coque Malla Luz de Gas (Muntaner, 246). M: Diagonal (L.3, L.5). 9pm. €22, €18 (advance). Spanish vocalist presents his new album, Mujeres, with versions of 12 of the best songs from his solo albums, sung as a duo.

Rock

Gossos Teatre Coliseum (Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 545). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L3,L4). 9pm. €18-€25. Catalan rockers performsongs from their most recent album.

Saturday 11

Classical music

The Symphonic Orchestra of Castilla y Leon & Nielsen L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 7pm. €23-€51 Works by Vivancos, Beethoven & Nielsen.

C The Art of the Guitar. 'Aranjuez' Parròquia de Santa Anna (Santa Anna, 29). 9pm. €21. See Fri 10.

Sport

Cara Formula 1 Gran Premio de España See Fri 10.

Barcelona International Classic Polo Tournament See Fri 10.

Theatre in English

Mack the Knife (The Musical) Sala Poble Nou, El Centre (C/Pujades, 176-178). M: Poble Nou (L4). 9pm. 614, 612 (advance). Tickets & info: www. escapadetheatre.es. Twenty actors and singers, a seven-piece orchestra and video projections in Escapade Theatre's new musical version of this classic tale of love and crime.

Flamenco

← Siempre así Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 9pm. €25-€45. Flamenco recital by Sevillean flamenco group to mark 20 years together.

Pop

Standstill BARTS (Barcelona Arts on Stage) (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 9pm. £16-£18. Local indie rockers promote their album Cénit.

Folk traditions

FREE Sant Ponç C. d'Hospital & Pl. del Padró (Ciutat Vella). 9am-9pm. More information: www.bcn.cat/ barcelonacultura. Street stalls sell jams, aromatic herbs and glacé fruits to mark the feast day of Saint Pontius of Cimiez.

Sunday 12

Theatre in English

Mack the Knife (The Musical) Sala Poble Nou, El Centre (C/Pujades, 176-178). M: Poble Nou (L4). 6pm. 614, 612 (advance). Tickets & info: www. escapadetheatre.es. See Sat 11.

Classical music

The Symphonic Orchestra of Castilla y Leon & Nielsen L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 11 am. 623-651 Works by Vivancos, Beethoven & Nielsen.

The Orfeó Català & The National Classical Orchestra of Andorra Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 6pm. 615 - 625. The choir of the Orfeó Català sings J.S. Bach's St John Passion. Mendelsonn Chamber Orchestra L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glories (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 7pm. 623.50. Works by Haydn, Dvorák, Farkas & Respighi.

Sport

España See Fri 10.

← League fixture. RCD Espanyol -Real Madrid Estadi Cornellà - El Prat (Av. del Baix Llobregat, 100). Cornellà de Llobregat. Time to be confirmed.



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Traditional festivities

FREE Sardanas (Plaça de la Catedral). 11.15am. Traditional Catalan dance.

Flamenco

Copera and flamenco *Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40.* See Thu 2.

Kids

In small hand / Companyia Teia Moner Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer & Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93508 6300. 12.30bm. See Tue 7.

Guided tour

FREE Guided tour of Montjuïc

Cemetery Cementiri de Montjuüc (Mare de Déu del Port, 56-58). 11am (Catalan) & 11.15am (Spanish). Guided tour of this huge and striking cemetery.

Monday 13

Classical music

Jordi Savall, viola de gamba Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 8.30pm. 620-630. Works from the French Baroque repertoire.

▲ Manuel González. Masters of the Spanish guitar Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 9.30pm. €21. The Spanish guitar in concert.

Jazz

Jazz concerts at Milano Cocktail

Bar Milano Cocktail Bar (Ronda Universitat, 35). M: Catalunya (L1-L3). 8.30pm (double session). Cover charge, 68. See Thu 9.

Rock

Festival del Mil·lenni: Low Casino de l'Aliança de Poblenou (Rambla de Poblenou, 42). M: Poblenou (L4). 9pm. 625 628. Minnesota group Low present their latest album, C'mon.

Tuesday 14

Classical music

Manuel González. Masters of the Spanish guitar Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 9.30pm. \in 21. The Spanish guitar in concert.

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Guided tour

C The Gaudí Crypt at the Colònia Güell (Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Ferrocarrits de la Generalitat from Pl. Espanya (FGC: S33, S8, S4). 10am-7pm. Sun 10am-3pm. €9 (ind. audio guide). €7.50 (reduced).

Wednesday 15

Al fresco

< Barcelona Urban Forest

Barcelona Bosc Urbà (Plaça del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). €8 -€19 (prices vary depending on age and circuit chosen). See Sat 4.

Flamenco

← Opera and flamenco Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40. Innovative concept combininb opera, zarzuela and flamenco in a single show.

Jazz

车 Jazz Nights at the Palau

Dalmases Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue & Wed., 10pm. €20. See Wed 1.

Thursday 16

Classical music

Opera nights at the Palau

Dalmases Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu 11pm. \in 20. See Wed 1.

Sport

X Games Montjuïc Anella Olímpica. 16-19May. Times and information: www.xgamesbarcelona.com

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Guided tour

车 The Gaudí Crypt at the Colònia

Güell (Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat from Pl. Espanya (FGC: S33, S8, S4). 10am-7pm. Sun 10am-3pm. 69 (incl. audio guide). 67.50 (red.).

Friday 17

Blues

← Friday Blues at the Palau Gomis -MEAM MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). 6pm. €11, €9 (reduced). See Fri3.

Classical music

Manuel González. Masters of the Spanish guitar Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau Música, 4-6).M: Urquinaona (L1,L4) 9pm. 628-632. The Spanish guitar in concert.

Singer-songwriter

Pedro Guerra BARTS (Barcelona Arts on Stage) (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 9pm. €25-€35. Spanish singersongwriter presents his latest album.

Sport

X Games Montjuïc Anella Olímpica. 16-19May. Times and information: www.xgamesbarcelona. com

Flamenco

← Flamenco Nights at the Palau Dalmases Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri-Sun 9.30pm, €20.

Rock

L.A. Sala Bikini (Av. Diagonal, 547). M: Maria Cristina (L3). 9pm. €19, €15 (advance). Indie rockers present their latest album, Dualize.

Saturday 18

Other

Barcelona Motor Show. Fira de Barcelona (Av. Reina Maria Cristina, s/n). More information: www.salonautomobil. com. 9-19 May.

Classical music

Il turco in Italia. Giacono Rossini Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €11.50-€223 One of Rossini's best-loved comic operas.

Ekaterina Záytseva. Masters of the Spanish guitar Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau Música, 4-6).M: Urquinaona (L1,L4) 9.30pm. £28-£32. The Spanish guitar in concert.

Various

FREE Museum Night Barcelona museums. More information: www. lanitdelsmuseus.cat. 7pm-9pm. Free admission to more than 60 museums in Barcelona as well as the metropolitan area, with special events including concerts, guided tours, dance, and activities for the entire family.

Sport

X Games Montjuïc Anella Olímpica. 16-19May. Times and information: www. xgamesbarcelona.com

Traditional festivities

FREE Sardanas (Plaça de la Catedral). 6pm. Traditional Catalan dance.

FREE Traditional Catalan festivities. Human towers. Plaça de la Catedral. 6.30pm. Exhibition of human tower building.

Theatre in English

Mack the Knife (The Musical)

Sala Poble Nou, El Centre (C/Pujades, 176-178). M: Poble Nou (L4). 9pm. 614, 612 (advance). Tickets & info: www. escapadetheatre.es. Twenty actors and singers, a seven-piece orchestra and video projections in Escapade Theatre's new musical version of this classic tale of love and crime.

Jazz

Jesse Davis Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 20 & 10pm. €10-€15. Saxophonist Jesse Davis breathes new life into the bop tradition.

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Sunday 19

Other

Barcelona Motor Show. Fira de Barcelona (Av. Reina Maria Cristina, s/n). More information: www. salonautomobil.com. 9-19 May.

Classical music

C Morning sessions at the Palau. Spanish and Catalan music Palau de la Misica Catalana (Palau de la Misica, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 12pm. €25. See Wed1. Chamber concert in the 'Musical Residences' cycle. La Pedrera (Provença, 261-265). M: Provença (FGC) & Diagonal (L3,L5). 6pm. €12. Works by Beethoven, Rossini & Mozart.

Sport

X Games Montjuïc Anella Olímpica. 16-19May. Times and information: www. xgamesbarcelona.com

League fixture. FC Barcelona -Valladolid Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). Time to be confirmed.

Traditional festivities

FREE Sardanas (*Plaça de la Catedral*). *11.15am*. Traditional Catalan dance.

FREE Human towers *Plaça de la Vil·la de Gràcia. 12pm.* Human tower building.

Theatre in English

Mack the Knife (The Musical) Sala Poble Nou, El Centre (C/Pujades, 176-178). M: Poble Nou (L4). 6pm. 614, 612 (advance). Tückets & info: uvuv. escapadetheatre.es. See Sat 18.

Jazz

Barcelona Jazz Orquestra Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 8.30pm. €15, €13 (advance). Live jazz and swing.

Kids

In small hand / Companyia Teia Moner Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer & Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 508 63 00. 12.30pm. See Tue 7.



Rock

Graveyard La 2 d'Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 9pm. €21, €18 (advance). Swedish rock/metal band inspired by '60s and '70s.hard rock.

Monday 20

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Tuesday 21

Classical music

Yuja Wang, piano L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 9pm, 623-673. One of the darlings of international Classical music press, Chinese pianist Yuja Wang, performs works by Debussy, Ravel, Rachmaninoff & Mendelsohn among others.

The Art of the Guitar. 'Carmen'

Parròquia de Santa Anna (Santa Anna, 29). 9pm. €21. See Sat 4.

Flamenco

'El flamenco de los Cabales' Tablao Flamenco Cordobés (La Rambla, 35). M: Drassanes (L3) & Liceu (L3). 8.30pm, 10pm & 11.30pm. €41 (ind. 1drink). See Wed 1.

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Pop

Catalana (Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 9pm. €18 €28. Veteran Catalan pop duo, early pioneers on the Spanish pop scene, and 1968 Eurovision song contest winners.

Wednesday 22

Sport

Conde Godo Trophy Reial Club Nàutic de Barcelona (Moll d'Espanya, s/n). 22-26 May. More info: www.rcnb.com.

Indie rock festival

FREE Primavera Sound Parc del Fòrum (Rambla del Prim, 1). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). 22-26 May. 690 (one-day pass) More info: www. primaverasound.es. Primavera Sound kicks off with a free concert featuring The Vaccines, Delorean, Guards, The Bots, and Aliment.

Guided tour

The Gaudí Crypt at the Colònia Güell (Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat from Pl. Espanya (FGC: S33, S8, S4). 10am-7pm. Sun, 10am-3pm. 69 (incl. audio guide). €7.50 (reduced).

Thursday 23

Song

Noa & Solis String Quartet L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 9pm. €18-€48. Presentation of Noapoles, a project of Neapolitan songs, as interpreted by Noa, Gil Dor, Zohar Fresc and the Solis String Quartet.

Classical music

Cuarteto Quiroga L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 8.30pm. €28. Works by Bartók.

Il turco in Italia. Giacono Rossini Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €11.50-€223 One of Rossini's best-loved comic operas.

Pedro J. González. Masters of the Spanish guitar Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau Música, 4-6).M: Urquinaona (L1,L4) 9.30pm. €28-€32. The Spanish guitar in concert.

Indie rock festival

FREE Primavera Sound Parc del Fòrum (Rambla del Prim, 1). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). 22-26 May. 690 (one-day pass) More info: www. primaverasound.es. First day of the festival. Among others, taking the stage are Animal Collective, Phoenix, and the return of The Postal Servie, Dinosaur Jr., and the psychodelic Tame Impala.

Flamenco

Flamenco City Festival 23rd-26th May. Main concerts: €22. Empirical flamenco: €10-€15. www. ciutatflamenco.com. A week of flamenco with debut performances, concerts, films, exhibitions and dance sessions with DJs.

Friday 24

Blues

← Friday Blues at the Palau Gomis
- MEAM MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). 6pm. €11, €9 (reduced).

Classical music

L'OBC & Mahler L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 9pm. €23-€51 Works by Britten & Mahler.

Indie rock festival

FREE Primavera Sound Parc del Fòrum (Rambla del Prim, 1). M: El Maresme/ Forum (L4). 22-26 May. €90 (one-day pass) Info: www.primaverasound.es. Second day of the festival, featuring Blur, James Blake, The Knife, and more.

Flamenco

Flamenco City Festival 23-26 May. Main concerts: €22. Empirical flamenco: €10-€15. www.ciutatflamenco.com. See Thu 23.

Funk

Fam de Funk & Pee Wee Ellis La 2d'Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 8pm. \in 18, \in 15 (advance).

Jazz

Jazz Concerts at Sala Jamboree Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Times and programme details: www. masimas.com/jamboree. See Fri 3.

Pop

Melendi Sant Jordi Club (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). 9pm. €24. Spanish pop artist comes to town.

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Saturday 25

Theatre in English

Boeing Boeing Fundació Cultural Hostafrancs (Torre d'en Damians, 6). M: Hostafrancs (L1). 9pm €12. Ticket office open one hour before performance.Info: www.facebook.com/ events/

194844420662857/. Playboy Bernard juggles three fiancées in this riotous 1960s farce.

Classical music

Abduraimov, or 'When Tchaikovsky rose from the dead' Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 7pm. 628-658. Works by Guinjoan and Tchaikovsky.

The OBC & Mahler L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 7pm. €23-€51 Works by Britten & Mahler.

C The Art of the Guitar. 'Leyenda' Parròquia de Santa Anna (Santa Anna, 29). 9pm. €21. Spanish guitar concert.

Traditional festivities

FREE Sardanas (*Plaça de la Catedral*). 6pm. Traditional Catalan dance.

Indie rock festival

Primavera Sound Parc del Fòrum (Rambla del Prim, 1). M: El Maresme/ Fòrum (L4). 22-26 May. 690 (one-day pass) More info: www.primaverasound. es. Last official day of the festival with Rodriguez (featured in the film Searching for Sugar Man), Dead Can Dance, Wu-Tang Clan and more.

Flamenco

Flamenco City Festival 23-26 May. Main concerts: €22. Empirical flamenco: €10-€15. www.ciutatflamenco.com. See Thu 23.

Food

Gastropop: paella marinera, a

festival of seafood Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer & Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 508 63 00. 11am-5pm. A gastronomic festival featuring tastings, workshops and traditional dishes.

Pop

Melendi Sant Jordi Club (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). 10pm. €24. See Fri 24.

Sunday 26

Classical music

The OBC & Mahler L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 11am. €23-€51. See Fri 3.

Morning sessions at the Palau. Spanish and Catalan music Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 12pm. €25. See Wed 1.

The Orfeó Català Youth Choir. 'Ars

Musicae' Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 12pm. €25. Purcell's 'Dido Aeneas'.

Sport

Catalan Motorcycle Championship Circuit de Catalunya (Crta.de Granollers a Parets Km 2). Montmeló. Times and full programme at: web www.circuitcat.com.

Theatre in English

Boeing Boeing Fundació Cultural Hostafrancs (Torre d'en Damians, 6). M: Hostafrancs (L1). 7pm E12. Ticket office open one hour before performance. Info: www.facebook.com/events/ 194844420662857/See Sat 25.

Kids

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Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer & Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). T. 93 508 63 00. 12.30pm. See Tue 7.

Monday 27

Classical music

Terrassa Chamber Orchestra. Kai Gleusteen, violí Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urguinaona (L1,L4). 7pm. €10-€12. Works by Breiner, Jenkins & Piazzola.

L'elisir d'amore. Gaetano Donizetti Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €12.25-€238.75. Opera.

Jazz

Sazz Nights at the Palau Dalmases Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Tues & Wed., 10pm. €20. See Wed 1.

Tuesday 28

Classical music

 Il turco in Italia. Giacono Rossini Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51- 59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €11.50-€223 See Sat 18.

Handel's Bad Boys & Xavier Sabata, counter tenor Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1,L4). 8.30pm. €20-€30. A programme that focuses on Handel's villains.

Jazz

Jazz concerts at Milano Cocktail

Bar Milano Cocktail Bar (Ronda Universitat, 35). M: Catalunya (L1-L3). 8.30pm (double session). Cover charge, 68. See Thu 9.

Wednesday 29

Flamenco

≪□ **Great Flamenco Gala** *Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1,L3). 7pm. €30-€40.* See Sat 4.

Football

← League fixture. RCD Espanyol -FC Barcelona Estadi Cornellà - El Prat (Avda, del Baix Llobregat, 100)

(Avda. del Baix Llobregat, 100). Cornellà de Llobregat. Time to be confirmed.

Jazz

Jazz Nights at the Palau Dalmases

Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue & Wed., 10pm. €20. See Wed 1.

Pop

Alejandro Sanz Palau Sant Jordi (Pg. Olimpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). 9pm. €30-€220. Stadium concert with the Spanish singer-songwriter, who has sold more than 25 million records all over the world.

Thursday 30

Classical music

≪L'elisir d'amore. Gaetano Donizetti Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €12.25-€238.75. Opera.

Gringolts Quartet L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 8.30pm. €28. Works by Bartók & Mozart.

Pop

Alejandro Sanz Palau Sant Jordi (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1,L3,FGC). 9pm. €30-€220. See Fri 29.

Reggae

Macaco BARTS (Barcelona Arts on Stage) (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 9pm. 624-626. Presenting his new album, a chart hit in Spain with its funky mix of Latin and African roots.

Friday 31

Blues

← Friday Blues at the Palau Gomis -MEAM MEAM: Museu Europeu d' Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). 6pm. €11, €9 (reduced). See Fri 3.

Classical music

The OBC's end-of-season concert L'Auditori (Lepant, 150), M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 9pm, 623 651 Works by Garreta, Korngold & Strauss.

Rock

Lagartija Nicks + Rippers La 2 d'Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2,L3). 8pm. €15, €12 (advance).

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Tourist Information Points and www.barcelonaturisme.cat

Sights

Architecture

Basílica de la Sagrada Familia

The Basilica of the Holy Family (Mallorca, 401). M: Sagrada Familia (L2,L5). 93 20 804 14 9am-8pm. 613.50. Guided visit / audio guide, 618. Barcelona's most iconic architectural monument, began by Antoni Gaudi in 1891 and remains unfinished. Ticket sales help fund ongoing construction of Spain's most visited tourist attraction.

Casa Batiló 👟

(Pg. de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L3,L4). 93 216 03 06. 9am-9pm. €18.15. Late-night visit, €29. Last admission: 8pm. One of Gaudi's most emblematic works. Visits include the first floor, originally the residence of the Batllô family, the roof terrace with its decorated chimneys (and the scaly spine of the dragon St George defeated), the light well, and the stunning entrance hall and the main staircase.

La Pedrera 车

(Provença, 261-265). M: Diagonal (1.3, 1.5). 902 400 973. 9am-8pm. Last admission: 7.30pm. €16.50. Reduced: €14.85. Many Barcelona residents consider this Gaudi's masterpiece. In fact, some of its apartments are still private homes. The roof terrace is one of Catalan Modernisme's hidden gems.

Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes (L3) & Barceloneta (L4). 93 472 57 75. Tues-Sun 10am-8pm. Last admission: 7.30pm. 610. Reduced: 68. Built by Gaudi in the late 19th century, this palace belonged to his principal patron. As at the Pedrera, a visit to the roof terrace is highly recommended. The whole house is a fascinating introduction to Gaudi's revolutionary use of materials and space.

Leisure

Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths

Aire de Barcelona Arab Baths (Pg. de Picasso, 22). M. Barceloneta & Jaume I (L4). Mon-Thu first session: 10am. Fri-Sun first session: 10am. Wed-Sat last session: 12pm-2 am. Aire de Barcelona is at the heart of the Born district, occupying a unique historical location. The baths revive the ancient tradition of bathing as a form of relaxation.

Imax Port Vell

(Moll d'Espanya). M: Drassanes (L3) & Barceloneta (L4). 93 225 11 11. Times & programme; www.imaxportvell.com. 69.75. Put on your glasses and take a seat for the most exciting virtual reality experience that the latest 3-D technology can provide, in Barcelona's best-equipped large-format cinema.

Gaudí Experiència 🗨

(Larrard, 41). M: Lesseps (L.3). 93 285 44 40. 10am-8pm. 69. Reduced: 67.50. An interactive voyage with 4-D technology through the creative universe of the genius of Modernist architecture, Antoni Gaudi. A new way to discover Gaudi and his work.

Tibidabo Funfair 👟

(Plaça del Tibidabo, 3-4). T. 93 211 79 42. Open 1-20 May and weekends from 12pm. €28.50 (under 120cm, €10.50). With over 100 years of history, Tibidabo is one of the oldest funfairs in the world, featuring classic rides, old favourites and brand-new attractions to guarantee an exciting day out.

PortAventura theme park 👟

(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). Train: Port Aventura. T. 977 779000. Times and prices: www.portaventura.es. Located south of Barcelona, between Vila-seca and Salou, PortAventura boasts six themed zones (Mediterranean, Far West, Mexico, China, Polynesia & SésamoAventura) that occupy 119 hectares, with 30 attractions, 100 live processions every day, 75 places to eat and 27 craft and souvenir shops.

Barcelona Zoo 👟

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1) & Ciutadella/Vila Olimpica (L4). T. 93 225 67 80. Until 15 May 10am-7pm. 16 May-15 Sep 10am-8pm. €19.60. Children (3-12): €11.80. Barcelona Zoo in Ciutadella Park has a 100-year history and is one of the city's best-loved attractions. At present it houses 315 species and more than 2,000 animals. Liceu I Opera Barcelona

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