

Monthly Agenda May



Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

Highlights

International Museum Day (May 18) & The Night of Museums (May 19)

May sees two excellent events for those who love visiting museums. On May 18, International Museum Day is celebrated, a European initiative that sees numerous institutions open their doors for free and put on a special programme of activities. The aim is to raise awareness in visitors about the key role museums and other cultural centres can play in the development of society. The following evening, Barcelona holds its Night of Museums, when participating venues stay open late into the night, offering a different way to experience the permanent and temporary exhibitions currently on show, as well as the chance to enjoy different activities, such as family workshops, live performances and guided tours. This is also a global event, one that started in Berlin in 1997 and is now celebrated in around 120 European cities each year. Signed up to the two events in Barcelona are a wide variety of centres whose specialisations include art, archaeology, history, author, ethnology, palaeontology, ceramics, zoology, movies, design and much more.

www.barcelonaturisme.com
www.lanitdelsmuseus.cat



Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona

A city of festivals

Throughout the year, Barcelona is a first-class festival hub with more than 180 festivals. With its numerous audience-friendly spaces (both outdoor and in), regularly inviting temperatures, and seemingly endless accompanying incentives including restaurants, bars, cultural events, beaches and world-famous landmarks, the city is pretty much tailor-made to host gatherings of all kinds; film, music, gastronomy, dance, theatre, art and literature are just a few of the genres celebrated in festivals here. And this month of May is no exception. For film buffs, there's a great choice on offer: the **BCN Sports Film Festival** (May 2-6, www.bcnfilmsports.org) throws the spotlight onto productions featuring different sports, while **DOCS Barcelona** (May 16-27, www.docsbarecelona.com) showcases documentaries from around the world that cover a range of themes, and **D'A Festival** (until May 6, dafilmfestival.com) specialises in independent films by both established directors and young creatives. **Barcelona Poesia** (May 10-16, lameva.barcelona.cat/barcelonapoesia) is seven days dedicated to poetry by local and international poets with readings, talks and tributes. At the CCCB, the **Primera Persona festival** (May 11-12, www.cccb.org) celebrates different art forms and artists that use the first person in some way, with guests including authors, journalists and illustrators talking about why and how they use this form of representation in their work. One of the biggest music events of the year in



Primavera Sound

Barcelona is **Primavera Sound** (May 30-Jun 3, www.primaverasound.com), with an incredible line-up across its four days including acts like Björk, Ezra Furman, Thundercat, Belle and Sebastian, Arctic Monkeys, Jane Birkin and Haim, not to mention DJ sets, local groups to discover, warm-up events on Monday 28 and Tuesday 29, a range of innovative gastronomic options and much more. Finally, flamenco aficionados are in for a special treat with the 25th anniversary edition of **Ciutat Flamenco** (May 16-27, www.ciutatflamenco.com), which celebrates Barcelona's special relationship with the enduringly popular Spanish music and dance style with a programme of cutting-edge and traditional performers.



Barcelona Hotel Tapa Tour May 1-31

The Hotel Tapa Tour is an initiative designed to promote hotel cuisine through tapas, those tasty morsels that are so deeply rooted in Spanish popular culture. The challenge is to bring hotel cuisine to the outside world and show to both visitors from abroad and locals that it is an authentic culinary option when deciding where to eat out.

Numerous five-star and five-star GL hotels across the city are taking part in this signature-tapa trail/competition in which local produce, gastronomic innovation and sustainability plays a decisive role. As a new initiative, and to provide a more in-depth knowledge of their culinary offer, the hotels taking part will also be offering a tasting menu.

www.hoteltpatour.com

World Press Photo Until May 27

The fourteenth edition of the World Press Photo exhibition, regarded as the world's top photojournalism exhibition, is on display at the CCCB and once again turns Barcelona into one of the foremost cities in the world where the winning photographs of the prestigious photojournalism contest are shown.

The exhibition, which every year travels to some 100 cities in 45 countries, is another essential date for photography enthusiasts. Moreover, it offers a comprehensive programme of side activities and guided visits for a deeper and more understanding experience.

www.cccb.org
www.worldpressphoto.org



Spanish Formula 1 Grand Prix May 11-13

Those loud engines are getting ready to rev once more at the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya. Over three days in May, Barcelona hosts the fifth event, and the first in Europe, of this year's F1 Championship Season, the Spanish Grand Prix. This is undoubtedly one of the biggest dates on Barcelona's sporting calendar, and an amazing opportunity to see the celebrated drivers and teams taking part in one of the most thrilling sports in the world. This circuit is regularly used as a test venue meaning that many of those participating are very familiar with its straights and curves, and feel right at home on its 4.66km. Current World Champion Lewis Hamilton won on this course last year, only his second victory on the Barcelona circuit, and will be looking to join the likes of Alain Prost and Jackie Stewart with a third chequered flag.

www.circuitcat.com/en

Near Barcelona

Circ Cric Until July 1

Put aside all your anxieties about clowns and discover a different side to the circus at this festival held in the nearby town of **Sant Esteve de Palautordera** in the beautiful natural park of Montseny. With events scheduled for every weekend until the start of July, you can enjoy national and international acts including acrobats, jugglers, musicians and, yes, a lot of clowns – but these are the funny kind, entrancing, clever and entertaining. Be prepared to be amazed, amused and not a little moved especially on the 19th of this month (€12, 11am-6pm) when the Circ Cric festival celebrates the 25th anniversary of 'Clowns Without Borders' ('Pallassos Sense Fronteres'), the Catalan charity. Other events this month include a specially created cabaret (5th, €15, 9pm), a concert from local singer-songwriter Albert Pla (11th, €18, 9.30pm), and various appearances from iconic Catalan clown Tortell Poltrona.

www.circric.com

La Patum de Berga May 30 – Jun 3

Experience one of Catalonia's longest-running cultural traditions, an annual event that in 2008 UNESCO declared to be part of its list of Intangible Cultural Heritage: the Patum of the north Catalan town of Berga. The festivities, which date back to medieval times, take place during the week of Corpus Christi and originated as part of the Catholic Church's efforts to educate congregations about the holy scriptures; in the face of general illiteracy, theatrical representations of the fight between good and evil were employed, and over time, these became more elaborate and the focus of the celebrations. A patum is defined as a figure that represents a fantastical creature and appears in processions and traditional festivities, although it's also the sound ('pa-tum') made by the drums that play a key role in the numerous parades involved. Today's Patum is an amazing sight, with celebrations featuring fireworks, live music, acrobatics, characters including eagles, dwarves and giants, angels and demons, and locals dressed in period costume.

www.lapatum.cat



Exhibitions

The Gaudí Exhibition Center **BUY**

Museu Diocesà (Pla de la Seu, 7). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. www.gaudiexhibitioncenter.com

Walking with Gaudí

Permanent exhibition featuring virtual reality and other technologies that give you the chance to delve into the life and work of the genius architect.

Gaudí Visual Gallery

Teatre Gaudí (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5) and Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Mon-Fri 9.30am-1.30pm; afternoons and weekends, from an hour before performance starts. www.teatregaudibarcelona.com

Humans End date tbc.

Eleven works by Catalan painter Miquel Mas that are studies of different faces.

Hash Marihuana & Hemp Museum **BUY**

(Ample, 35). M: Drassanes (L3), Barceloneta (L4). Daily 10am-10pm; public holidays 2pm-10pm. www.hashmuseum.com

Hemp. Back to the future

Until Sep 30. As we confront a global environmental disaster created by single-use plastic, the museum looks at an alternative material: hemp plastic. Known for its low level of psychoactives, hemp is the basis of a plastic that's light, durable and biodegradable. Discover how it's already being used for products such as car doors and electric mopeds, and how the very concept is actually nothing new.

Permanent exhibition

Discover the past, present and future of the cannabis plant and its potential for industrial, nutritional, medicinal and leisure uses.

Jardí Botànic de Barcelona

(Doctor Font i Quer, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC).

Daily 10am-7pm. Closed May 1. May 18 (International Museums Day), first Sunday of the month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. www.museuciencies.cat

Permanent exhibition

Mediterranean plants from around the world.

Bonsai show

Weekends and public holidays 10.30am-6.30pm. Permanent exhibition featuring a collection donated by the family of Pere Duran i Farell, a leading Catalan industrialist and bonsai aficionado.

La Virreina Centre de la Imatge **FREE**

(La Rambla, 99). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun, public holidays noon-8pm.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/lavirreina/en>

Machines for living

Until May 20. The result of ongoing research since 2013, this artistic project opens a dialogue between radical architecture, social criticism and flamenco performances.

One Year Women's Performance 2015-2016

Until May 20. This work by Raquel Frieria is inspired by the piece 'One Year Performance 1980-1981' by Tehching Hsieh, but looks particularly at immaterial, unpaid, unquantifiable work done by women.

Portraits of the Multitude

Until May 27. Seven audiovisual works produced between 2008 and 2017 explore paradoxes related to the daily use of communication technologies, by New York artist Natalie Bookchin.

MACBA. Museu d'Art Contemporani **BUY**

(Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Sant Antoni (L2). Mon, Wed-Fri 11am-7.30pm. Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Tue (except public holidays). May 18 and Sat 4pm-8pm, free. www.macba.cat



T for Teresa. Fundació Antoni Tàpies



Francesc Torres. MACBA

MACBA Collection 33. Under the surface

Until Nov. Featuring works from the MACBA archive, this exhibition explores problems of representation and its limits, as well as the relevance and incidence of the artist and art in contemporary society.

Disconnected archive

Until Jul 13. A look at the evolution of sexual dissidence through material contained in both public and private archives in Barcelona.

Francesc Torres. The hermetic belltower

Until Sep 11. Catalan artist Francesc Torres plans to leave his archive of work to the MACBA, and this is an initial taste of what it comprises with a new piece featuring objects that are key to his creative process.

Oscar Masotta. Theory as action

Until Sep 11. The aim of this exhibition is to reconstruct the intellectual career of Argentinian thinker Oscar Masotta (1930-1979), and is the culmination of four years of research.

Domènec. Not here, not anywhere

Until Sep 11. The work of Catalan artist Domènec from the late '90s to the present day is explored in this solo show.

Melanie Smith. Farce and artifice

May 18-Oct 7. This is the largest institutional show of the artist's work held in Europe to date. Born in the UK, she established herself in the Mexican art scene in the 1990s.

MUHBA El Call **BUY**

(Placeta de Manuel Ribé, s/n). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Wed, Fri 11am-2pm; Sat-Sun 11am-7pm. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

The Jews in Medieval Barcelona

Permanent exhibition about the city's historical Jewish community.

MUHBA at Fabra i Coats

(Sant Adrià, 20). M: Sant Andreu (L1). Sun 11am-2pm. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Fabra i Coats factory Site of exceptional historical interest that's based on English industrial facilities. Following a renovation process, it now hosts cultural and educational projects.

MUHBA Oliva Artés **FREE**

(Espronceda, 142-146, Parc Central del Poblenou). T. 93 256 21 22. M: Poblenou (L4). Wed 10am-2pm; Sat-Sun 11am-3pm, 4pm-6pm. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Interrogate Barcelona

Permanent exhibition that traces change in the city from industrialisation to the 21st century.

40 years of the Ateneu Popular 9 Barris

Until May 23. Celebrating four decades of this leading cultural and social centre.

MUHBA Park Güell

(Olot, s/n. Casa de la Guarda). M: Vallcarca (L3). Daily 8am-9.30pm. The Casa de la Guarda is part of the visit to the Conjoint Monumental of Park Güell, and is subject to the conditions regarding access to Park Güell. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat www.parkguell.cat

Güell, Gaudí and Barcelona, the expression of an urban ideal

Permanent audiovisual exhibition about Park Güell and the city at the time of modernisme.

MUHBA Plaça del Rei **BUY**

(Pl. del Rei). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon and May 1. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

Archaeological site that lets you get to know the Roman

colony of Barcino.

Christianity, visigoths and the city

Permanent exhibition about Barcelona in the late antiquity period.

El port franc i la fàbrica de Barcelona **FREE**

Until Jul 1. Exhibition about the city's industry, focusing on the history of its port and Zona Franca area and its impact on the political, economic, urbanistic and environmental development of Barcelona.

MUHBA Refugi 307 **BUY**

(Nou de la Rambla, 169). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Guided tours: Sun 10.30am (English), 11.30am (Spanish) and 12.30pm (Catalan). Closed public holidays. Prior reservation necessary: reservesmuhba@eicub.net. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

400 metres of tunnels let you sense the anguish felt by residents during air raids on the city during the Spanish Civil War.

MUHBA Santa Caterina **FREE**

(Pl. de Joan Capri, s/n.). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon-Sat 8.30am-3.30pm. Closed Sun and public holidays. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

Archaeological remains among the foundations of the Santa Caterina market.

MUHBA Temple d'August **FREE**

(Paradís, 10). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Mon 10am-2pm; Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm. Closed May 1. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition Visit the remains of Augustine's temple, which dates from Roman Barcelona.

MUHBA Turó de la Rovira

(Marià Labèrnia, s/n) Bus: 119, V17. General access has no

fixed timetable. Museum area: Wed 10am-2pm; Sat, Sun 10am-3pm.

www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Barcelona to the limit

This spot overlooking the city was used for anti-aircraft guns in the Civil War.

MUHBA Via Sepulcral Romana

(Pl. de la Vila de Madrid). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue, Thu 11am-2pm; Sat, Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon, Wed, Fri and May 1. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

This secondary Roman road was also the site for burials between the first and third centuries AD.

MUHBA Vil·la Joana **FREE**

(Ctra. de l'Església, 104). FGC: Baixador de Vallvidrera. Thu 10am-2pm; Sat, Sun and public holidays 10am-5pm. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

Beautiful historical farmhouse in Collserola park, which was converted into a residential home in the 19th century.

Museu d'Història de Catalunya

Palau de Mar (Plaça de Pau Vila, 3). M: Barceloneta (L4). Tue, Thu-Sat 10am-7pm; Wed 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. May 19 also open 7pm-1am (Night of Museums). Closed Mon (except public holidays) and May 1. May 18 (International Museums Day), free. www.mhcat.cat

Permanent exhibition

Take a journey through the history of this region starting in the Paleolithic period up to the 20th century.

Museu de Badalona

(Pl. Assemblea de Catalunya, 1. Badalona). M: Badalona Pompeu Fabra (L2). Tue-Sat 10am-2pm, 5pm-8pm. Sun and public holidays 10am-

Exhibitions

Boats designed by architects

May 8-Sep 2. Photos, models and plans display a variety of vessels created by architects.

A centenary boat

May 18-Dec. Discover the history of the Santa Eulàlia schooner, moored in Barcelona port.

EcoSistema

Mecanic Mari **FREE**
End date tbc. Located in the museum's restaurant, this installation by Pakito Sarruga features kinetic sculptures that are constantly changing.

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public hols) and May 1. May 18, Saturdays from 3pm, and first Sunday of every month, free.

www.museunacional.cat

Permanent exhibition

Most important collection of painted Romanic murals and Catalan modernism in the world. In addition, the Museu Nacional has just inaugurated a new layout for its display of Renaissance and Baroque artworks by iconic European painters such as El Greco, Tintoretto, Canaletto and Rubens, among many others. The almost 300 pieces on show (taken from the museum's archive of around 1,400 works) were all produced between the 16th and early 19th centuries, and many have rarely been shown in public before - don't miss your opportunity to see this unique collection. And during your visit, head up to the rooftop, the perfect spot for enjoying panoramic views of the city.

William Morris and the Arts and Crafts movement in Great Britain

Until May 21. This exhibition looks in-depth at the multifaceted British artist William Morris, along with other leading members of the Arts and Crafts movement,

which was created in 1880 and evolved up to the First World War.

Museu Olímpic i de l'Esport Joan Antoni Samaranch

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and May 1. May 18 (International Museums Day), free.

www.museuolimpicbcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

Explore in-depth the worlds of sport and the Olympic Games.

City of snow and ice. Beijing

Until May 27. This exhibition marks the 10th anniversary since the 29th Summer Olympics were held in Beijing and looks ahead to the 24th Winter Olympics which are due to take place there in 2022.

Museu Picasso

(Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sun (except Thu) 9am-7pm; Thu 9am-9.30pm. Closed Mon and May 1. Every Thu 6pm-9.30pm, May 18 and first Sunday of month all day, free entry.

www.museupicasso.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition

More than 3,800 works from different periods of the artist's career.

Picasso's kitchen

May 25-Sep 30. For the first time, the subject of food and cooking in Picasso's work is considered.

Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, free.

www.palauguell.cat

Palau Güell: A Look at Furniture

This permanent exhibition is situated on the bedroom floor and features original furniture that decorated the building when the Güell family were living there.

Palau Robert

(Pg. de Gràcia, 107). M: Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: Provença. Mon-Sat 9am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 9am-2.30pm.

<http://palaurobert.gencat.cat/en>

Antoni Bernad.

North/South/East/West May 9-Aug 26. Discover the work of fashion and portrait photographer, Antoni Bernad.

Time of hope, time of reflection

May 9-Aug 26. Looking at summer classical music festivals in Catalonia.

Witnesses of oblivion

Until Jun 30. Photographic exhibition that highlights the work of Doctors Without Borders around the world.

Carme Solé Vendrell

Until Sep 11. A look at the work of Vendrell, an illustrator of children's books, to mark the 50th anniversary of her career.

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Tue-Fri 10am-

5pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm; public holidays 10am-2pm. Closed Mon and May 1. May 18, Sundays from 3pm, and first Sunday of month, all day, free.

<http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat>

Pedralbes Monastery. The treasures of the Monastery

Permanent exhibition of a unique collection of art, furniture and liturgical items.

Plants, remedies and apothecaries; the medieval garden

Permanent exhibition about how Greek and Roman medicine, with Arab-Islamic culture, uses nature as the basis of treating sickness.

Petras Albas. The Pedralbes Monastery and the Montcada family (1326-1673)

Permanent exhibition exploring the lineage of the Montcada family and its close relationship with the Monastery.

Murals in the spotlight.

Paintings in the Sant Miquel Chapel Permanent exhibition on the study and conservation of the earliest Italian Trecento murals in Catalonia.

William Morris. Museu Nacional



Music



Mahler's Fourth. L'Auditori



Demon. Gran Teatre del Liceu

Concert venues

L'Auditori

(Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). www.auditori.cat

Gran Teatre del Liceu

(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). www.liceubarcelona.cat

Palau de la Música Catalana

(Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). www.palaumusica.cat

Jamboree

(Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). www.masimas.com/jamboree

Moog

(Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3). www.masimas.com/moog

Palau Sant Jordi + Sant Jordi Club

(Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). www.palasantjordic.cat www.santjordiclub.cat

Sala Barts + Barts Club

(Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). www.barts.cat

Sala Apolo + La [2] de Apolo

(Nou de la Rambla, 113, 111). M: Paral·lel. www.sala-apollo.com

Sala Bikini

(L'illa Diagonal: Av. Diagonal, 547). M: Maria Cristina (L3). www.bikinibcn.com

Special music venues

Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (MEAM)

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). www.meam.es
Weekly concerts of classical music and blues in art museum.

Palau Dalmau

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). www.palaudalmases.com
Historical palace hosts weekly opera recitals (Thu) and flamenco shows (Mon - Sun)

Església de Santa Anna

(Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). www.artpegi.com
Regular Spanish guitar concerts in 12th-century church.

Santa Maria del Pi

(Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). www.poemas.es
Historic church is stage for a variety of Spanish guitar concerts.

Other shows

La Bodega Flamenca

(Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Mon-Sat 6pm; 8.30pm (shows start later). Closed Sun. Various menus and drink-only option available. www.labodegaflamenca.com
Flamenco show close to the Sagrada Família.

Palacio del Flamenco

(Balmes, 139). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); Provença (FGC). Daily 6pm, 7.50pm, 9.40pm (shows start later). Options: show only, show + drink, show + different menu options (including tapas). www.palaciodelflamenco.com
Live flamenco every evening.

Sala Tarantos

(Plaça Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Daily 7.30pm, 8.30pm, 9.30pm. www.masimas.com/tarantos
Live flamenco show in central venue.

Tablao de Carmen

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 6pm; 8.30pm (shows start later). Options include drink + show and meal + show; ticket includes entrance to Poble Espanyol.

www.tablaodecarmen.com
Flamenco venue that pays tribute to Barcelona flamenco star Carmen Amaya.

Tablao Cordobés

(La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 5pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (shows start later). Options: show + tapas, show + drink only, show + dinner. www.tablaocordobes.com
Authentic tablao at the heart of the city.

Tablao Flamenco Nervión

(Princesa, 2). M: Jaume I (L4). Wed-Sun 8pm-10pm. Options: show + set menu, show + drink. www.restaurantnervion.com
Well-located restaurant hosts flamenco performances.

Opera y Flamenco

Enjoy two shows at Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115; www.teatrepoliorama.com) and the Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6; www.palaumusica.cat)

Opera and flamenco (the tormented love story of the dancers interpreted by their own souls, the soprano and the tenor) and Grand Flamenco Gala (a perfect union of heart and soul, music and dance, passion and rhythm)

Theatre

El Molino

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

¡Mira Mama, estoy en El Molino!

Every Sat until May 26. 9.30pm. From €15.

Irreverent Valencian comedian Sil de Castro presents this monologue that combines cabaret, humour and more. In Spanish.

Sembla que rigui

May 6-28. Sun 7pm and Mon 9pm. €15. Monologue from actress Mont Plans that tells the life story of Júlia Català i Verdaguer, a woman born in 1914. In Catalan.

Teatre Gaudí Barcelona

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5) and Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5).

www.teatregaudibarcelona.com

Hipopótamos

From May 8. Tue, Wed 8.30pm. €18. Theatrical exploration of recent political events in Catalonia. In Spanish.

El llibre de la Selva

Until May 27. Sat 5pm; Sun noon. €12. Family show based on Rudyard Kipling's classic, The Jungle Book. In Catalan.

Barbablava

Until May 13. Thu-Sat 9.30pm; Sun 6pm. €20. From 13 years. Musical thriller based on the story of the pirate Bluebeard. In Catalan.

El vol de l'home ocell

May 16-Jun 17. Thu-Sat 8.30pm; Sun 6pm. €24. Musical about the legendary Comte Arnau incorporating hard rock and heavy metal songs. In Catalan.

Autèntica

Until May 6. Fri-Sun 8pm. €20. One-woman comedy-drama show about how we see ourselves. In Catalan and Spanish.

María Antonieta

Until May 2. Tue, Wed 8.30pm. €20. Performance based on the book by Stefan Zweig and other original sources. In Spanish.

Teatre Lliure (Montjuïc - Sala Fabià Puigserver)

(Pg. Santa Madrona 40-46 / Pl Margarida Xirgu, 1). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3). www.teatrelivre.com

Medea

Until May 12. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. A new telling of Euripides's classic tragedy about the eponymous princess and wife of Jason, who takes the most brutal revenge when her husband leaves her. In Catalan; Sat shows have surtitles in Spanish and English.

NOSaltres: Cinema

May 12, 13. Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. €10.50-€21. Part of a project that gives people at risk of social exclusion the chance to perform on stage; this year it celebrates its 10th anniversary. In Spanish and Catalan.

Bérénice

May 18-20. Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. €10.50-€21. Classic French play by Jean Racine performed as a dramatised reading with some of Catalonia's leading actors. In Catalan.

NOSaltres: Sis personatges

May 30-Jun 10. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. €10.50-€21. Part of a project that gives people at risk of social exclusion the chance to perform on stage. In Spanish and Catalan.

Teatre Lliure (Gràcia)

(Montseny, 47). M: Fontana (L3).

www.teatrelivre.com

NOSaltres: Trans (més enllà)

May 10-12. Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm, Sun 6pm. €10.50-€21. Part of a project that gives people at risk of social exclusion the chance to perform on stage; this work tells the stories of transgender residents of the local area. In Catalan.

Històries de Istanbul, a contrapeu

May 16-Jun 3. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. €13.50-€26.50. Twelve characters whose stories overlap show life in a city that's a border



Medea. Teatre Lliure

between continents and cultures. In Catalan.

Teatre Nacional de Catalunya (TNC)

(Pl. de les Arts, 1). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). www.tnc.cat

Temps salvatge

May 10-Jun 17. Wed 7pm; Thu-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. €14, €28. From 16 years. A small border town is overwhelmed with fear, violence and suspicions following the appearance of threatening messages painted on local buildings. In Catalan.

La importància de ser Frank

May 3-Jun 10. Wed 7pm; Thu, Fri 8pm; Sat 5pm, 9pm (except Sat 5 8pm); Sun 6pm. €11.50-€23. From 14 years. Oscar Wilde's classic work that highlights the hypocrisy of society. In Catalan.

Teatre Poliorama

(La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). www.teatrepoliorama.com

El Llibertí

Until May 13. Wed-Fri 9pm; Sat 5.30pm, 8.30pm; Mon 1 and Sun 6pm. No show May 2. From €20. Written by French actor Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt, this play is an intelligent comedy about ethics, philosophy and the passing of time. In Catalan.

I Want U Back

May 30-Jun 24. Wed-Fri 9pm; Sat 6pm, 9pm; Sun 7pm. From €25. Tribute show to king of pop Michael Jackson led by singer Dabeat (David Ortigosa) and dancer SacMJJ, considered one of the best Jackson impersonators in the world.

Teatre Victòria

(Paral·lel, 67). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3).

www.teatrevictoria.com

Bollywood: Colours of India

May 3-6. Thu, Fri 8.30pm; Sat 6.30pm, 9.30pm; Sun 6.30pm. €25-€35. Enjoy the music and dance of India in this colourful love story told in the classic Bollywood style.

Madagascar

May 18-Jun 3. Fri 8pm; Sat 5pm, 8pm; Sun noon, 4.30pm; Mon 21 4.30pm, 7.30pm. From €19. Live action musical version of the popular Dreamworks' movie about four zoo animals from New York who find themselves on the African island. In Spanish.

Versus Teatre

(Castillejos, 179). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). www.versusteatre.com

Dance

Gran Teatre del Liceu

(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3).

www.liceubarcelona.cat

Le Songe

May 16-19. Wed-Fri 8pm; Sat 5pm, 9pm. €10-€198. Inspired by Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', Les Ballets de Monte-Carlo revisit the iconic story of magic and nature with music by Mendelssohn and electronic scores from Daniel Teruggi and Bertrand Maillot.

Mercat de les Flors

(Lleida, 59). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3).

www.mercatflors.cat

A Love Supreme

May 4-6. 8pm; Sun 6pm. €22. Choreographers Salva Sanchis and Anne Teresa De Keersmaecker have created this piece featuring four dancers performing to the eponymous composition by John Coltrane.

The Mountain, The Truth & The Paradise

May 5, 6, 10-13. 9pm; Sun 7pm. €16. Solo show from dancer, choreographer and stage director Pep Ramis featuring themes including spirituality, the tragedy of the human condition and our ability to imagine worlds.

Radical Light

May 18-20. 8pm; Sun 6pm. €22. Minimalist electronic and techno music by composers Senjan Jansen and Joris Vermeiren provides the foundation for this performance from Catalan choreographer Salva Sanchis.

Teatre Victòria

(Paral·lel, 67).

M: Paral·lel (L2, L3).

www.teatrevictoria.com

Swan Lake

May 9-13. Wed-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 6pm, 9pm; Sun 6pm. €27-€45. The St. Petersburg Festival Ballet performs the Tchaikovsky classic, which is an eternally popular ballet.

Totem. Cirque du Soleil



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Districte Cultural de L'Hospitalet (Travessia Industrial, 50, L'Hospitalet de Llobregat). M: Bellvitge (L1). www.cirquedusoleil.com

Totem 1

Until May 20. Check website for times. From €28. This production from the world-famous Cirque du Soleil company tells the story of human life from its amphibious origins to its inevitable desire to fly. It explores our connections with other species, our dreams and infinite potential.

Teatre Lliure (Montjuïc - Sala Fabià Puigserver)

(Pg. Santa Madrona 40-46 / Pl Margarida Xirgu, 1). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3). www.teatrelivre.com

Opus

May 25, 26. Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm. €13.50-€26.50. This Australian circus performance features 14 acrobats and

the Debussy Quartet, and takes us on a voyage through the musical universe of Shostakovich.

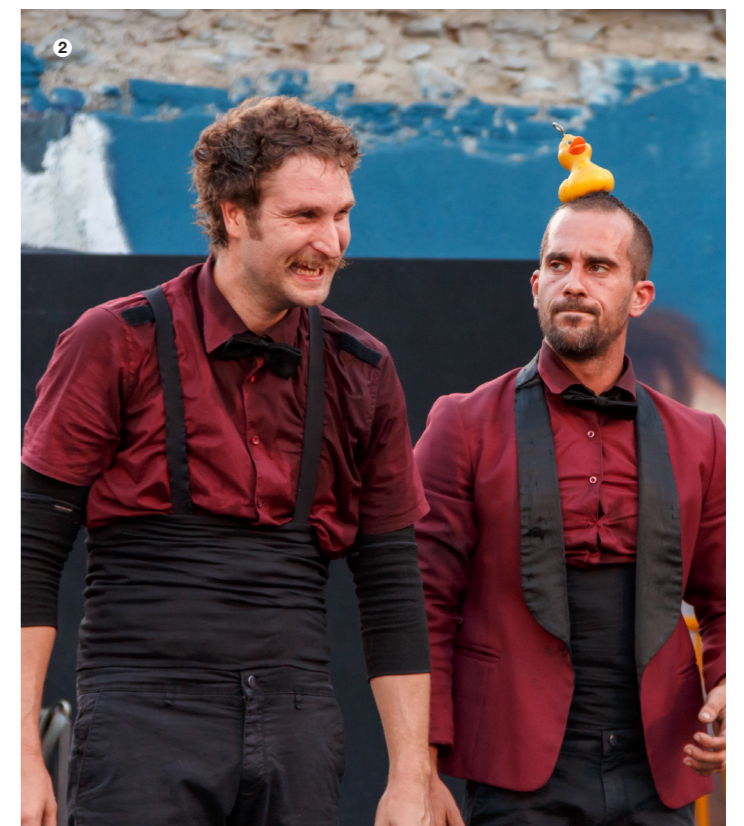
Teatre Nacional de Catalunya (TNC)

(Pl. de les Arts, 1). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). www.tnc.cat

Ni cap ni peus 2

May 5-27. Sat 5pm; Sun noon. €6, €12. From 6 years. Circus performance for all the family that features a range of incredible skills from the two protagonists.

"Ni cap ni peus". Teatre Nacional Catalunya



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