

Monthly Agenda

October



Festival Internacional de Cinema Fantàstic de Catalunya

Get busy in Barcelona

October is an inviting, busy month in Barcelona. It's still warm enough for being outdoors while many cultural centres, including art galleries and music venues, launch their new seasons with events for all tastes. A variety of festivals are also on the agenda, with jazz, architecture and film among the featured subjects, and important sporting events take place including the Barcelona Triathlon and the world championship of pelota vasca (a sport worth discovering if you're not familiar with it!). Not far from the city, you'll find cultural festivals, cava tastings and the chance to discover life as it was 100 years ago at a Modernista workers' colony. Barcelona – a place with always so much to do!



Monistrol de Montserrat. European Heritage Days ©Gemma Miralda Escudé-ACT

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Highlights

Barcelona and festivals

October is a key month on Barcelona's festival calendar with music, film and architecture all celebrated in different events taking place over the coming weeks. Kicking off on October 4 is the 20th edition of the **Festival del Mil·lenni**, an extensive, multi-genre music festival that runs right through until mid-March next year; on stage this month are Swedish musician **José González** and experimental collective The String Theory, Spanish rockers **Jarabe de Palo** on their 20th anniversary tour, and Motown star **Martha Reeves**. Towards the end of the month, the prestigious **Barcelona International Jazz Festival** gets going – and this year it's marking its 50th anniversary. The inaugural concert features **Chucho Valdés** who commemorates his 1972 Jazz Batá project, while other October highlights include an homage to the late Cuban musician **Compay Segundo**, and the Brazilian threesome **Tribalistas** (made up of Carlinhos Brown, Marisa Monte and Arnaldo Antunes) performing for the first time in the Catalan capital. For a different kind of musical experience, **In-Edit festival** specialises in music documentaries. Its programme is always eclectic covering different eras, styles and both well-known and less-renowned acts; this year George Michael, The Rolling Stones, The Slits and Japanese pianist and composer Ryuichi Sakamoto are among those on screen. Finally, architecture fans shouldn't miss **48H Open House Barcelona**, a unique annual opportunity to visit, for free, numerous outstanding constructions both within the city itself and in various surrounding municipalities. Churches to concert halls, markets to museums, prisons to ports - all of these and more are open to the public throughout the weekend of October 27-28, enabling you to discover hidden jewels of local design as well as iconic sites we're all familiar with.

Chucho Valdés at Palau de la Música. Barcelona International Jazz Festival.



Cecilia Bartoli at Palau de la Música Catalana ©DECCA / Uli Weber

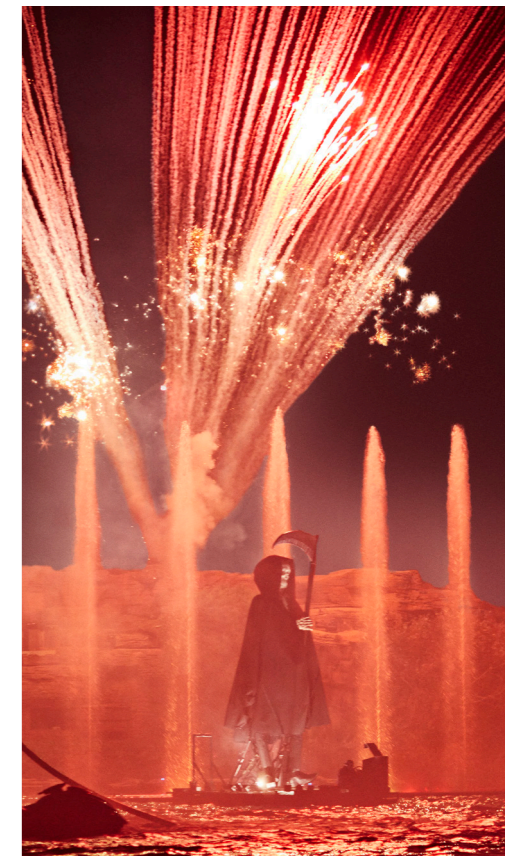
Barcelona and music

This is a fine time for classical music lovers in Barcelona as three of the city's most emblematic venues launch their 2018-2019 seasons. At the **Liceu Opera House**, the first big production of the season is Bellini's **I Puritani** (Oct 5-21) starring Mexican tenor Javier Camarena and South African soprano Pretty Yende in an immortal story of love and madness. **L'Auditori** always comes up with a varied programme and this month, among other concerts, you can enjoy three enticing performances: the Orquestra Simfònica de Barcelona i Nacional de Catalunya and conductor **Kazushi Ono** are joined by Polish pianist **Piotr Anderszewski** for Tchaikovsky's 'Symphony n°6 - Pathétique' (Oct 5-7), while the ensemble returns the following weekend to provide a live soundtrack to accompany a screening of **Jurassic Park**, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary (Oct 11-13; in English with Catalan subtitles). The Banda Municipal de Barcelona inaugurates its new season at L'Auditori on Oct 21 with another Tchaikovsky classic, **Romeo and Juliet**. The Modernista **Palau de la Música Catalana** is as much a work of art as a place to hear lovely music and this month it welcomes three leading international artists to its stage. The first of these is Hungarian pianist **Sir Andrés Schiff** who performs three works by J.S. Bach including the *Goldberg Variations* (Oct 4). The following week, as part of the Lied Festival Victoria de los Ángeles, baritone **Simon Keeleyside** and pianist **Malcolm Martineau** join forces for a recital of lieder music by composers including Ravel, Schubert and Brahms (Oct 10). And acclaimed opera singer **Cecilia Bartoli** comes to the Palau to reprise a role she first performed 20 years ago, Angelina in Rossini's *La Cenerentola*, one of his most popular pieces. For classical music aficionados, it's worth noting that several of these performances are part of this year's programme from **Barcelona Obertura Classic & Lyric**, an initiative created to promote the city's rich variety of music at a global level. Its **Musical Autumn** season includes *I puritani*, Sir Andrés Schiff at the Palau and the OBC with Kazushi Ono and Piotr Anderszewski, and it then hosts a celebration of Cecilia Bartoli in Barcelona.

Barcelona and art

This month sees various noteworthy exhibitions open in Barcelona at some of the most important art centres in the city. **CaixaForum** looks at the life and work of **Toulouse-Lautrec**, and the way he was influenced by the bohemian ambience and inhabitants of the Parisian neighbourhood of Montmartre (from Oct 17). Two leading artists of the 20th century are compared and contrasted for the first time in the new show at **Fundación Mapfre: Pablo Picasso and Francis Picabia** were at the forefront of significant art movements such as Dadaism, Surrealism and Cubism, and the juxtapositions and differences in their styles and subjects are explored here (from Oct 11). Film lovers should make sure to visit the **CCCB** as it inaugurates an extensive retrospective of the work of director **Stanley Kubrick**. Large-screen projections show key scenes from his celebrated movies, audio and video material reveal the background to his film-making process, while original objects, production documents and explanatory texts delve deep into the nature of Kubrick's oeuvre (from Oct 24). Right at the end of the month, the **Fundació Miró** throws the spotlight on the role of US photographer **Lee Miller** in the development of the Surrealist cause in the UK in the middle of the last century, along with her strong friendship with Joan Miró. The exhibition includes images from Miller as well as works by Man Ray, Henry Moore and Leonora Carrington (from Oct 31).

Pablo Picasso. Les Amoureux. Musée National Picasso-Paris. Fundación Mapfre



Halloween at PortAventura.

Halloween at PortAventura World

During this, the spookiest month of the year, where better place to get into the spirit of **Halloween** if you're visiting Barcelona than at **PortAventura World**? Until the middle of November, this popular theme park located about 90 minutes from the city has shows and parades featuring vampires, zombies, skeletons and more, special adventures like the **Jungle of Fear** and **Mayan Apocalypse** as well as activities aimed at children such as the **Halloween Family Festival** and **Halloween on Sesame Street**. PortAventura World is a great place for a day out at any time of year, with **six different areas** to explore with rides, experiences and games for all ages. What's more, it's also home to **Ferrari Land**, a unique space in Europe that's dedicated to the fast cars with a combination of emotion, adrenaline and fun. It includes the chance to feel like a Formula 1 driver, discover the history of the Italian company, and let the children try out the new kids' features opened this year. Get your **entry** and **transport tickets** for PortAventura World from Tourist Offices, and prepare for thrills and chills!

Highlights

Art galleries

Wander the streets of Barcelona city centre and you'll quickly realise how important art is here. It's not just the myriad examples of street art, with open-air sculptures old and new, cutting-edge graffiti and world-famous architecture, but also the sheer number of art galleries and museums that the Catalan capital is home to. With so many venues for exhibiting works by both local and international artists from all fields, and new shows opening throughout the year, you could easily spend all your time here studying the extensive selection of paintings, etchings, photography, video art, collage, illustrations and much more on display. To celebrate this close relationship between Barcelona and the artistic world, the **Gremi de Galeries d'Art de Catalunya** (an organisation that supports and promotes the most prestigious art galleries from across the region, and this year is marking its 40th anniversary) has organised another edition of its **'I like Art'** campaign, which runs from October 1 to November 3. Coinciding with the start of the 2018/2019 season of exhibitions in many of the Gremi's member venues, the campaign includes over 30 galleries in Barcelona showing a range of artwork that explores a variety of themes.

To make it even easier to visit the participating venues, you can **download a PDF** that includes the practical information for all the galleries as well as a map showing their locations, enabling you to plan an itinerary to visit the ones you're particularly interested in, and maybe check out some others you find along the way. Among the exhibitions that are starting this month you'll find the following: at Sala Rusiñol there's a show of works by award-winning Barcelona painter Eduard Malvey where he showcases different European cities using his particular style of visual geometry that has been increasingly influenced by Cubism (from Oct 4); the Lorena Ruiz de Villa Contemporary Art gallery opens a collective show featuring works by eminent national and international artists from different fields, and includes etchings from Tracey Emin and photography by Hannah Collins and Darren Almond (from Oct 2); and the line-up is equally as impressive at Dolores Junyent, which hosts an exhibition entitled 'Characters' with paintings and sculptures from movements ranging from Figurative to Abstract art and pieces created by Pablo Picasso, Joan Miró and Ramon Casas, among others (from Oct 1).



Artevistas gallery



Barcelona Triathlon

Barcelona and sports

While Barcelona's status as a top footballing city is known across the world, there's so much more to it as a place for sport. Barcelona is home to countless pitches, pools, tracks and courts (as well as year-round good weather) so that both teams and individuals can indulge their sporting passions and interests, whether it's at a professional, amateur or hobby level. Head down to the city's beaches and you'll see a range of water sports being practised, including stand up paddle, windsurfing and yachting. And the streets offer plentiful opportunities for running and cycling, while parks are used for yoga, circuit training and ball games. What's more, ever since it hosted the Summer Olympics and Paralympics in 1992, Barcelona has also been a popular city for staging international events and competitions of all kinds, from motor sports to water polo, hockey, sailing and tennis (and that's just been this year!). This month brings two more important fixtures: the **Barcelona Triathlon by Santander** (Oct 7) and the **18th World Championships of Pelota Vasca** (Oct 14-20).

The first event featuring the combination of swimming, cycling and running in Barcelona took place back in 1987. Since then, interest has grown in triathlons both here and abroad, and nowadays the Barcelona event is the biggest in Spain and one of the most important triathlons in Europe. It attracts thousands of competitors from over 40 countries, including some of the world's leading triathletes. Three different distances make up the contest (supersprint, sprint and Olympic), which takes place on fast, flat

and safe surfaces focused on a memorable seafront location at the Nova Mar Bella beach and with the city as backdrop, making it a great experience for spectators and participants alike. If you're an athlete yourself but not taking part this time, don't miss the Triexpo fair, held on October 6 and featuring the latest equipment, clothing and accessories from the sport's leading brands.

You may not be overly familiar with the sport of **pelota vasca** (which translates literally as Basque ball, but is generally known in English as Basque pelota), but if you have the chance to see a game during the world championships while they're being staged here, don't miss it! For starters, the event is being held on courts in Vall d'Hebron that were used during the 1992 Olympics (Basque pelota was an exhibition sport at the Games) and have been specially renovated for the occasion of this year's competition. Five different versions of the game will be played, involving individual players or doubles using a basket, a bat, racquet or their hands to hit the ball off the walls of the court; as a simple explanation of what's involved, it's a kind of hybrid between squash and tennis, albeit one where the ball can travel up to 200km an hour (players have to wear special protective equipment), but that doesn't do the game full justice and you really have to see a match to get a true feel for it. This championship features over 300 players from 18 different countries – while it's believed to have been first played in the Basque regions of France and Spain around the 13th century (although its roots have been dated to Ancient Greece), it's become popular in such diverse places as Mexico, France, Chile and the Philippines.

Highlights

Near Barcelona

If you're looking for a different kind of cultural experience and are interested in seeing another side to Catalonia apart from its capital, there are many worthwhile events taking place outside Barcelona this month, all easily reachable by public transport and accessible for an enjoyable day trip. Just as the city itself is buzzing with festivals and the start of new seasons of art shows and concert programmes, in October many towns in the region host special activities that conveniently coincide with the warm, dry weather usually seen at this time of year. In **Sitges**, a lovely artistic beach town down the coast, October really only means one thing: the **International Fantastic Film Festival of Catalunya**, which this year reaches its 51st edition. The biggest event of its kind in the world, it has significantly expanded since it started and today is a reference-point for both industry insiders and fans who want to discover the latest trends and technology in the film world particularly in the sectors of horror and fantasy movies. That means zombies and monsters play a big part in the programme (including the popular Zombie Walk, which each year sees people dress up as the living dead and parade through the streets of Sitges), but it also means psychological thrillers, classic ghost stories, animation and documentaries (Oct 4-14). The **Fira de la Mediterrània** takes place in the town of **Manresa** and is a celebration of popular culture and world music, with a particular but not exclusive focus on the Mediterranean region. Many of the performances, which include theatre, music, circus and dance, are held in the open air and while it principally regards itself as a place for professionals to discover new acts, it's a wonderful chance for the public to do the same while also exploring this central Catalan town (Oct 4-7). With the grape harvest season coming to its end for another year, what better time to sample some of the products coming from local

wine makers? The **Cavatast** festival is held in the nearby town of **Sant Sadurní d'Anoia**, found at the heart of the Catalan wine region of Penedès known particularly for its white wines and cavas. Over three days, you can taste a variety of the latter from many of the area's top producers as well as try accompanying gourmet foods including cured meats and cheeses. Guided tours of the cellars are also on offer (Oct 5-7). This month also sees Catalonia participate in the **European Heritage Days** initiative, which was set up as a way to increase the profile of the historical patrimony of the 50 signatory states of the European Cultural Convention. Each year, it gives people the opportunity to visit, usually for free, buildings, monuments and other important sites some of which are not otherwise open to the public. In Catalonia, they include castles, palaces, gardens, monasteries and archaeological sites (Oct 12-14). Finally, lovers of history, architecture and design should make a note in their diaries of the **Modernista Festival at the Colònia Güell**. The Colònia Güell was a workers' colony created by wealthy businessman Eusebi Güell at the end of the 19th century close to one of his factories that he had moved out of Barcelona. By improving the working and personal lives of those he employed (as well as increasing the size of the factory and modernising it), Güell hoped to appease work conflicts that were increasingly in evidence during that period. What made the colony even more special was the fact that Güell was a leading patron of Antoni Gaudí, who he recruited to design the church for his workers. The resulting crypt, while unfinished, is a study in the development of the Catalan architect's genius, his originality and unique eye. While the colony is now inhabited by private residents, the place is open to the public and makes for a fitting location for the Modernista Festival organised each year by the Associació La Colònia Modernista. Members dress up in period costume and give visitors the opportunity to see what daily life would have been like for those workers and their families who resided in Colònia Güell a century or so ago (Oct 19-21).

Modernista Festival at the Colònia Güell ©Ajuntament de Santa Coloma de Cervelló



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Museums-exhibitions

Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona

FREE

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

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/arxiunicipal/arxiufotografic/en/>

Carme Garcia. From the rooftop

Until Oct 27. Discover the life and 40-year career of Barcelona photographer Carme Garcia (1915-2015), who sought out new ways to capture images by using her rooftop as a studio and viewpoint.

Arxiu Històric de la Ciutat de Barcelona

FREE

(Santa Llúcia, 1). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Mon-Fri 9am-8.45pm; Sat 10am-8pm. Closed Sun and public holidays.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/arxiunicipal/arxiuhistoric/es>

Aureli Capmany and the education of infants

Until Mar 30, 2019. As part of the events marking the 150th anniversary of the birth of key Catalan educator Aureli Capmany, the City Historical Archive looks at some of the tools he developed for teachers.

CaixaForum

BUY

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-8pm. https://caixaforum.es/es_ES/barcelona/home

Toulouse-Lautrec and the spirit of Montmartre

Oct 18- Jan 20, 2019. Posters, paintings and drawings are included in this exploration of the work of the French artist in the context of the iconic Parisian bohemian area and its creative residents.

A Certain Darkness

Until Jan 5, 2019. As part of CaixaForum's Comisart programme, this show takes a new look at the collection of "La Caixa" and considers the cult value of images and the value of exhibitions.

Turbulences

Until Oct 21. Selection of works from the "La Caixa" Foundation's contemporary art collection.

Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-8pm. First Sunday of month and other Sundays after 3pm, free.

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

Montjuïc, the construction of a castle

Permanent exhibition about Montjuïc and its castle. Doble Creu Permanent exhibition of sculpture by Carles Berga.

Lost memory

Until Nov 18. Photographic exhibition featuring images by Barcelona photographer Miquel Gonzalez of mass graves from the Spanish Civil War, as well as of areas that have never been excavated but where atrocities took place.

Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona

(Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sun, public holidays 11am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sunday 3pm-8pm, free.

www.cccb.org/en/

Black light. Secret traditions in art since the 1950s

Until Oct 21. This exhibition examines the influence of different secret traditions employed in art during the past 70 years or so.

Transitional States. Hormones at the Crossroads of Art and Science

Oct 4-28. Video art exhibition that features the work of 14 artists and collectives who explore topics related to hormones.

Stanley Kubrick

Oct 24-March 31, 2019. Wide-ranging exposition that features the entire oeuvre of film director Stanley Kubrick (1928-1999), including large-screen projections of key scenes, and documentary audio and video



Toulouse-Lautrec and the spirit of Montmartre. Caixaforum



Open Works. Art in Movement. Fundació Catalunya-La Pedrera

material that sheds light on the filming process.

CosmoCaixa

BUY

(Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Daily 10am-8pm. www.cosmoaixa.com

Robots. Humans and machines

Until Jan 31, 2019. This show looks at the unique relationship between people and robots.

The Material Room

Permanent exhibition. Voyage through the history of the Universe.

Top science

Permanent exhibition focused on contemporary research opens a new season.

The flooded forest Permanent exhibition. Living exhibit with over 100 species from the Brazilian jungle.

Two faces of the Antarctic

No end date. See this unique area from two very different perspectives.

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria

(Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Site and exhibitions: Tue-Sun, public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sunday 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month all day, free. <http://elbornculturaimeoria.barcelona.cat/en/>

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria

Under an emblematic 19th-century market, discover an archaeological site from 1700.

Barcelona 1700. From stones to people (Sala Villarroel)

Permanent exhibition about life in the city 300 years ago.

A childhood under the bombs

Until March 2019 This temporary exhibition focuses on children whose lives were dramatically changed when the Spanish Civil War broke out in July 1936.

Fundació Antoni Tàpies

(Aragó, 255). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Tue-Thu,

Sat 10am-7pm; Fri 10am-9pm; Sun 10am-3pm. Closed Mon. <https://fundaciotapies.org/en/>

Permanent exhibition

Extensive collection of artworks by Tàpies.

Antoni Tàpies. Political biography

Until Feb 24, 2019. This show is the latest in a series that explores the most paradoxical aspects of Tàpies's work.

Antoni Tàpies. T for Teresa

Until Oct 28. Exhibition of work by the late Catalan artist, whose wife Teresa Barba was an inspiration to the artist during his life and is now vice-president of his foundation.

Fundació Catalunya-La Pedrera

BUY

Sala d'Exposicions (Pg. de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Daily 10am-8pm. www.lapedrera.com/en

Open works. Art in movement, 1955-1975

Until Jan 27, 2019. In the 1950s, an artistic concept emerged in Europe with the aim of completely reworking art to create a new universal language and involve audiences more in how they viewed works.

Fundació Joan Miró

BUY

(Parc de Montjuïc, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 10am-8pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). www.fmirobcn.org/en/

Joan Miró. Collection

The most important public collection of work by the Catalan artist has been given an updated presentation.

Photography in the Foyer: Look to Learn How to Live

Oct 2-Jan 27, 2019. Esperanza Urdeix is an Alexander Technique teacher who applies her practice to photography, taking the time to observe objects in her everyday life during a convalescence.

Lee Miller and Surrealism in Great Britain

Oct 31-Jan 20, 2019. US photographer Lee Miller and her British husband, artist Roland Penrose, were close friends of Joan Miró as well as leading lights in the development of the Surrealist movement in London.

Fundació Suñol

BUY

(Pg. de Gràcia, 98). M: Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: Provença. Mon-Fri 11am-2pm, 4pm-8pm; Sat 4pm-8pm. Closed Sun and public holidays. www.fundaciosunol.org/en/ Currently closed for installation of new exhibitions. Check website for more details.

Fundació Vila Casas - Espais Volart

(Ausàs Marc, 22). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 11am-2pm, 5pm-8.30pm; Sun 11am-2pm. Closed Mon and public holidays. www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en

Julio González. Drawing and papers

Until Dec 30. Barcelona artist Julio González (1876-1942) was a renowned sculptor and is recognised for his key role in the Modern movement that started in the 1930s.

Manuel Duque

Until Dec 30. Spanish painter Manuel Duque (1919-1998) lived for several years in the Catalan town of Sabadell before his international artistic career took off.

Dialogue between collections

Until Dec 30. The works of various artists are shown in this exhibition that draws from the collections of the DKV and Fundació Vila Casas.

Fundació Vila Casas - Museu Can Framis

(Roc Boronat, 116-126). M: Glòries (L1), Poblenou & Llacuna (L4). Tue-Sat 11am-6pm; Sun 11am-2pm. Closed Mon, public and holidays. www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en

Jorge R. Pombo. Voyage into the essence of painting

Oct 1-Jan 20, 2019. Since starting his career in the late 1990s, Pombo has embarked on a continuous reflection on the practice of painting, using the creative processes of Old Masters in a modern context.

Álvaro Sánchez-Montañés. No como el caos

Oct 1-Jan 20, 2019. Madrid photographer Álvaro Sánchez-Montañés currently lives in Barcelona and has exhibited his images around the world. He's also won prizes such as the Epson Photography award and International Photography Award, both in 2009.

Elisava: Intersections

Until Dec 31. This photographic installation was created for the Museu Can Framis by students of Elisava (Escola Universitària de Disseny i Enginyeria de Barcelona) in conjunction with the Fundació Vila Casas.

Fundación MAPFRE

Casa Garriga i Nogués (Diputació, 250). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Mon 2pm-8pm; Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 11am-7pm. Mon 2pm-8pm, free. www.fundacionmapfre.org/fundacion/en/

Picasso-Picabia. Questioning painting

Oct 11-Jan 13, 2019. For the first time the work of these two outstanding 20th-century artists is brought together for a journey through the history of modern art.

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.

Hash Marihuana & Hemp Museum

BUY

(Ample, 35). M: Drassanes

Museums-exhibitions



Llorenç Brunet. War drawings. Museu de Badalona



2001: A Space Odyssey. © Warner Bros. Entertainment. Inc. at CCCB

(L3), Barceloneta (L4). Daily 10am-10pm; public holidays 2pm-10pm. www.hashmuseum.com

Hemp. Back to the future

FREE

Until Oct 31. As we confront a global environmental disaster created by single-use plastic, the museum looks at an alternative material: hemp plastic, which is light, durable and biodegradable.

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. First Sunday of the month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://museuciencies.cat/en/>

Permanent exhibition

Mediterranean plants from around the world.

Bonsai show

Daily 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>

Dame Pank y Dime Tonto

Until Oct 14. This is the first retrospective on the career of Kikol Grau, an audiovisual producer from Barcelona, and also offers a study of televisual, political and music history in Spain from the 1980s to today.

In vain

Until Oct 14. Spanish artist Mar Arza questions certainties used to frame interpretations of art, knowledge and images.

'Creative' photography in Catalonia (1973-1982)

Until Oct 14. This exhibition looks at the rise of a generation of photographers who

demand that 'creative' or fine photography be accepted as an art in its own right in the 1970s and early 1980s.

MACBA. Museu d'Art Contemporani

BUY

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

MACBA Collection. Beneath the surface

Until Nov 1. 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.

Melanie Smith. Farce and artifice

Until Oct 7. This is the largest institutional show of the artist's work held in Europe to date. Born in the UK, Melanie Smith came to prominence as part of the Mexican art scene in the 1990s.

MACBA Collection. A short century

From Oct 5. A chronological tour of works held in the collection that date from 1929 to today, with a special focus on changing presentations and experiences of art.

In the open or in stealth

Oct 31-Mar 17, 2019. This exhibition is a multi-layered quest of discovery that explores the concept of a future in which multiple histories and geographies are brought together in dialogue.

MUHBA El Call

BUY

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

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

Fabra i Coats factory

Site of exceptional historical interest that's based on English industrial facilities.

MUHBA Park Güell

(Olot, s/n. Casa de la Guardia). M: Vallcarca (L3). Until Oct 27: daily 8am-8.30pm; from Oct 28: daily 8.30am-6.15pm. The Casa de la Guardia is part of the visit to the Conjoint Monumental of Park Güell, and is subject to the conditions regarding access to Park Güell. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/> www.parkguell.cat/en/

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. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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

Until Nov 30. 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 (Eng), 11.30am (Spa) and 12.30pm (Cat). Closed public holidays. Prior reservation necessary: reservesmuhba@eicub.net. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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

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

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, Fri, Sat 4.30pm-8.30pm; Sun 10.30am-2.30pm, 4.30pm-8.30pm. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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 11am-2pm; Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri and Sat. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from

3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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-7pm. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

Permanent exhibition

Historical farmhouse in Colserola park, which was converted into a residential home in the 19th century.

Museu de Badalona

(Pl. Assembla de Catalunya, 1. Badalona). M: Badalona Pompeu Fabra (L2). Tue-Sat 10am-2pm, 5pm-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. www.museudebadalona.cat/en

Baetulo, Roman city

Permanent exhibition includes the remains of the steam baths and Decumanus Maximus street.

In memory of Pompeu Fabra

FREE

Until Oct 7. The city council of Badalona is hosting different events to mark the 150th anniversary of the birth of Pompeu Fabra, a renowned Catalan grammarian, linguist and engineer.

Llorenç Brunet. War drawings 1914-1918

From Oct 9. Show of drawings of the First World War by Badalona-born illustrator and water-colourist Llorenç Brunet (1873-1939). He gained renown among contemporaries for his images from different conflicts in Europe at the start of the last century.

Museu de Montserrat

(Abadia de Montserrat. 08199 Montserrat). FGC from Pl. Espanya (R5 line). Station: Monistrol de Montserrat + zip train. Mon-Fri 10am-5.45pm; weekends until Oct 28 10am-

6.45pm; weekends from Oct 29 10am-5.45pm. www.museudemontserrat.com/en/index.html

Permanent exhibition

Paintings by El Greco, Caravaggio, Tiepolo, Monet, Sisley, Degas, Pissarro, Miró, Dalí, Picasso... Mirrors of stone Until Oct 7. Work by Valencian sculptor Enrique Asensi, in particular his geometric abstractions.

The silence of pomegranates

Until Nov 11. Young Barcelona photographer Andrea Torres Balaguer presents an exhibition of her surreal images that create a calculated reality.

MEB: Museu de l'Èrotica de Barcelona

BUY

(La Rambla, 96, bis). M: Liceu (L3), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-midnight. www.erotica-museum.com/en/

Permanent exhibition

Take a trip through the history of eroticism and its representation in art.

John Lennon and Yoko Ono naked

From Oct. See personal images of one of the most iconic couples of the 20th century in this new exhibition featuring erotic drawings and etchings by John Lennon of different aspects of their sex life, being shown for the first time both in a museum and in Spain.

Museu de la Música

BUY

(L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Tue, Wed, Fri 10am-6pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sat, Sun 10am-7pm. Closed Mon. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museumusica/en>

Permanent exhibition.

Enjoy a journey through the different periods that make up the history of music. Gu-Inno-Vart Until Oct 7. Barcelona artist Josep Guinovart (1927-2007) was

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inspired in his work by different musical styles.

The guitars of Quico Pi

Oct 18-Apr 28, 2019. Quico Pi is one of Barcelona's most important musicians and this show features his extensive collection of guitars, sourced from different countries across the world.

Museu de la Xocolata

BUY

Antic Convent de Sant Agustí (Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Mon-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays (incl. Oct 12) 10am-3pm. www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en

Permanent exhibition

The origins of chocolate, its arrival in Europe in the 16th century and the relationship it has with Barcelona.

Museu del Disseny de Barcelona

Edifici Disseny Hub Barcelona (Pl. de les Glòries Catalanes, 37-38). M: Glòries (L1). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sundays from 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month, all day, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museudeldisseny/en/>

The magic curve: beech and rattan furniture

FREE

Oct 12-Nov 18. Centre d'Artesania de Catalunya (C/ dels Banys Nous, 11). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). At the end of the 19th century and start of the 20th, curved wooden furniture was popular across Europe, including Catalonia where some of the pieces were made locally.

Do you work or design? New visual communication 1980-2003.

Recently opened permanent exhibition tracing the contemporary history of graphic design in Catalonia and Spain.

From the world to the museum. Product design, cultural heritage

Permanent exhibition showing daily objects from a museum perspective.

Extraordinary! Collections of decorative arts and signature works (3rd-20th centuries).

Permanent exhibition featuring art from the past 1700 years. The dressed body. Silhouettes and fashion (1550-2015) Permanent exhibition about how women have long altered their shapes using their clothes.

Museu del Futbol Club Barcelona

BUY

Estadi FCB (Aristides Maillol, s/n. Gates 7 and 9). M: Les Corts (L3). Until Oct 14: daily 9.30am-7.30pm; from Oct 15 Mon-Sat 10am-6.30pm, Sun 10am-2.30pm. Some areas closed and opening hours reduced on match days. www.fcbarcelona.com

Camp Nou Experience

Permanent exhibition that takes in the club's long history and includes a visit to the stadium facilities.

Museu del Modernisme de Barcelona

BUY

(Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Mon-Fri 10.30am-2pm, 4pm-7pm. Closed weekends and public holidays. www.mmbcn.cat/en/

Permanent exhibition

Over 350 works by 42 of the most important artists from Catalan modernisme, including Ramon Casas.

Museu de les Ciències Naturals de Barcelona

(Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Tue-Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://museuciencies.cat/en/>

Planet Life

Permanent exhibition about the history of life and evolution of the planet, and includes sections such as 'The biography of the Earth' and 'Islands of Science'.

Museu Egipci de Barcelona

BUY

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Mon-Fri 10am-2pm, 4pm-8pm; Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm. www.museuegipci.com/en/

Permanent exhibition

Almost a thousand items that date from the ancient civilisation of the Pharaohs.

Tutankhamun, history of a discovery

No end date. How the tomb of the famous Egyptian king was uncovered.

Passion for Pharaonic Egypt

Until Dec 31. This exhibition marks 200 years of collecting Egyptian artefacts and includes over 100 pieces from the museum's permanent collection, with explanations about how they made their way through different hands to get to this point.

Museu Etnològic i de Cultures del Món - Montcada

(Montcada, 12). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home>

Selfie. The mask of society

FREE

Until Oct 14. A look at the ubiquitous self-portrait of the 21st century.

Ífni. Catalan military service in Africa

Until Jan 23, 2019. For a large part of the 20th century, young Spanish men had to do military service. Among the different postings was Ífni, a small Spanish enclave on the Moroccan coast.

Permanent exhibition

Explore the artistic heritage of different cultures from Africa, Asia, America and Oceania.

Museu Etnològic i de Cultures del Món - Parc de Montjuïc

(Passeig de Santa Madrona, 16-22). M: Poble Sec (L3),

Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon. First Sunday of month and other Sundays from 3pm, free.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home>

The faces of Barcelona

This show invites visitors to take a fresh look at the city through a selection of carefully chosen objects.

Feel our heritage

Permanent exhibition that aims to explain our society through the comparison of different places and times.

MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern

BUY

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon.

www.meam.es/en/

Contemporary figurative art of the 21st century

Permanent exhibition of nearly 300 paintings and 80 sculptures.

Contemporary Japanese realism

Until Nov 30. Tokyo's Hoki Museum was Japan's first museum focusing on contemporary Realism; here 60 works by leading Realist Japanese artists from Hoki are on display in the first show of its kind in Europe.

Museu Frederic Marès

(Plaça de Sant Iu, 5). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 11am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free.

w110.bcn.cat/museufredericmares/eng

Permanent exhibition

Wide-ranging display includes Frederic Marès's sculpture collection, his 'collector's cabinet', which houses thousands of items that he collected during his life, and his library-study.

Original sin

Until Dec 30. The featured work in the display case of the museum's garden is a mid-



The magic curve. Museu del Disseny de Barcelona



Antoni Benaiges. Museu Marítim. ©Pere de Prada

16th century sculpture.

Los jardines del museo

Until Dec 30. Discover 17 pieces selected from the museum's collection on the theme of gardens.

Sculpture in bronze 'Nu'

Oct 2-Nov 25. Showing in the museum's calm, beautiful courtyard is this artwork by Frederic Marès, welcoming visitors to the site and a warm-up for the new presentation of the library-study being inaugurated on Nov 25.

Museu Marítim de Barcelona

(Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://mmb.cat/en/>

Antoni Benaiges, the teacher who promised the sea

FREE

Until Mar 3, 2019. The story of teacher Antoni Benaiges (1903-1936) who worked during the Spanish Republic in a rural school.

Royal boatyards and galleys

Semi-permanent exhibition that's part of a new installation dedicated to the history of Barcelona's shipbuilding industry.

Continents and Waves in the workshop

FREE

Oct 11-Dec 9. Two different works from artist Xavier Masero: the first focuses on amphoras that for centuries played a key role in Mediterranean culture and includes 60 pieces of porcelain; the second is a video installation that explores the reflection of nature in all material created by humans.

7 boats, 7 stories

Until Dec 31. Show that features some of the museum's most notable model boats and a variety of other interesting items from its archive.

Display of vessels

Until Dec 31. Semi-permanent exhibition of various boats that are part of the museum's extensive collection. Restoration in full view of the Museum's boats The museum has completely reopened to the public the spaces of the

medieval Royal Boatyards where three historic boats are being restored.

A centenary boat

Until Jan 13, 2019. Discover the history of the Santa Eulàlia schooner, moored in Barcelona port.

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

BUY

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public hols). Saturdays from 3pm, and first Sunday of every month, free.

www.museunacional.cat/en

Permanent exhibition

Most important collection of painted Romanic murals and Catalan modernisme in the world. In addition, the Museu Nacional recently 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.

Gala Salvador Dalí. A room of one's own in Pubol

BUY

Until Oct 14. This is the first international exhibition dedicated to Gala, the muse and wife of Dalí who was an essential part of his artistic development. Over 180 works create a portrait of her complex and fascinating character.

Museu Olímpic i de l'Esport Joan Antoni Samaranch

BUY

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed

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Mon (except public holidays). www.museuolimpicbcn.cat/eng/home.asp

Esportclick

Until Oct 7. In the hall of the museum, take a look at this Playmobil tableau that commemorates the Winter Olympics celebrated earlier this year in PyeongChang.

Permanent exhibition

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

Museu Picasso

(Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon 10am-5pm; Tue-Sun (except Thu) 9am-8.30pm; Thu 9am-9.30pm. Every Thu 6pm-9.30pm and first Sunday of month all day, free entry. www.museupicasso.bcn.cat/en

Permanent exhibition

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

Picasso discovers Paris

Until Jan 20, 2019. An unmissable exhibition of Impressionist and Symbolist pieces from the Musée d'Orsay in Paris, which give an idea of the impact the French capital had on the Spanish artist when he visited in his youth.

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/en

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.

Eusebi Güell i Bacigalupi, patrician of the Renaixença

Until Apr 30, 2019. A special exhibition that remembers Eusebi Güell, patron of Gaudí and the man who had the Palau Güell built for his family, marking the centenary of his death in 1918.

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/inici/index.html>

Pompeu Fabra

Until Oct 11. Part of a series of activities marking 150 years

since the birth of the most important grammarian in Catalonia, Pompeu Fabra.

Creators of conscience. 40 committed photojournalists

Until Feb 10, 2019. A selection of images by different photojournalists that have appeared in leading publications around the world and that will connect with the collective consciousness of visitors.

Patufet, where are you?

Aureli Capmany (1868-1954) Until Jan 20, 2019. This exhibition is dedicated to Aureli Capmany, who created different cultural and civic initiatives and played a key role in the children's magazine, En Patufet.

Kosmos Panikkar

Oct 11-Feb 3, 2019. Exhibition focused on philosopher Raimon Panikkar with the aim of widening the audience for his work. The show is part of a programme of events that mark 100 years since his birth.

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Tue-Fri 10am-2pm; Sat, Sun 10am-5pm; public holidays (incl Oct

12) 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. Sundays from 3pm, and first Sunday of month, all day, free. <http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

Divine murals. Sant Miquel Chapel

Until May 2019. Exhibition of recently restored Gothic murals from the 14th century.

Pedralbes Monastery. The treasures of the Monastery

Permanent exhibition 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.

Museu del Futbol Club Barcelona



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CONCERT VENUES

L'Auditori

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

Gran Teatre del Liceu

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

Palau de la Música Catalana

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

Jamboree

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

Moog

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

Palau Sant Jordi + Sant Jordi Club

(Passeig Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). www.palasantjordi.cat/en/ www.santjordiclub.cat

Sala Barts + Barts Club

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

Sala Apolo + La [2] de Apolo

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

Sala Razzmatazz

(Almogàvers, 122/Pamplona 88). M: Marina (L1), Bogatell (L4). www.salarazzmatazz.com/en/

SPECIAL MUSIC VENUES

Museu Europeu Art Modern (MEAM)

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

Palau Dalmau **BUY**

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Palace from the 17th-century hosts daily flamenco shows and weekly opera performances.

Esglesia de Santa Anna **BUY**

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

Santa Maria del Pi **BUY**

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

OTHER SHOWS

Tablao de Carmen **BUY**

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 6pm, 8.30pm (shows start later). Flamenco shows and dinner in venue that pays tribute to Barcelona flamenco star Carmen Amaya.

La Bodega Flamenca **BUY**

(Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdader (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Mon-Sat 6pm, 8.30pm (shows start later). Flamenco show and dinner close to the Sagrada Família.

Palacio del Flamenco **BUY**

(Balmes, 139). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); Provença (FGC). Daily 6pm, 7.50pm, 9.40pm (shows start later). Live flamenco every evening with the option of an accompanying meal or drink.

Sala Tarantos **BUY**

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

Tablao Cordobés **BUY**

(La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 5pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (shows start later). Authentic tablao at the heart of the city for tapas, drink and meal plus flamenco show. This month's stars include Yiyo Fernández (Oct 1-4, 6-11, 13-15), Karime Amaya (1-4, 6-11, 13-31), Laura González (16-31) and Hiniesta Cortés (1-15). In addition, in October the Tablao hosts two special flamenco shows at the Palau de la Música Catalana: Carmen, Carmen, Carmen (Fri 5; 9pm) and Vivir Flamenco (Fri 12; 9pm). (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L4).

Opera y Flamenco **BUY**

Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC).

www.teatrepoliorama.com/es/inicio.html

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L4). www.palaumusica.cat/en. These city centre venues host regular performances of two shows that celebrate the beauty of two musical genres. The first, Opera and flamenco, is a love story that tells the tale of a tempestuous affair between flamenco dancers who perform to some of opera's most famous arias. The other is Grand Flamenco Gala, offering the chance to hear the most traditional sounds of classic Spanish flamenco, with an intense performance full of passion.

Spanish guitar concert at Palau de la Música



Theatre

El Molino

(Vilà i Vilà, 99).
M: Paral·lel (L2, L3).
<http://elmolinobcn.com/language/en/>
Check website for details of performances.

Teatre Gaudí Barcelona

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

La rateta presumida

Oct 12-14. Fri, Sat 5pm; Sun noon. 12€.
Musical theatre for children aged 2 and above that tells the story of a conceited mouse. In Catalan.

Madein

Oct 20-Dec 9. Sat 5pm; Sun noon. 15€. Musical theatre about two children who spend their days searching rubbish tips for things they can sell. One day, they start to make a doll out of pieces that they find, a doll that then comes magically to life. In Catalan.

Hipopótamos

Check dates on website. Tue, Wed 9pm. 18€. Inspired by current events in Catalonia, this piece features a policeman interrogating a man accused of taking part in a Catalan rebellion. 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/en

Travy

Oct 3-28. Wed-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9pm; Sun 6pm. 15€-29€. An exploration of the tradition of theatrical dynasties through this piece directed by Oriol Pla and featuring various members of his family. In Catalan.

Àngels a Amèrica

Oct 25-Nov 25. Wed-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9pm; Sun 6pm. 15€-29€. It's 25 years since the Broadway premiere of Angels in America by US playwright Tony Kushner, and it went on to

become his most famous work. The Lliure theatre marks the occasion with performances of the play's two parts ('Millennium Approaches'/'Perestroika'), giving them a contemporary spin. In Catalan.

Teatre Lliure (Gràcia)

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

www.teatrelivre.com/en

Là.

Until Oct 14. Thu, Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. 22€-29€. This circus and dance performance is the first of a two-part entitled Sur la falaise and features two people and a raven.

Eurohouse/Palmyra.

Oct 19-21. Eurohouse 7pm; Palmyra 9pm. 15€-29€. These are the first two shows by the duo of Bertrand Lesca and Nasi Voutsas, associate artists at MAYK in Bristol; the works look in-depth at the dichotomy between the East and West, blurring concepts of Europe and barbarity. In English with Catalan subtitles.

Keep on walking, Federico

Oct 25-28. Thu, Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. 15€-29€. British

actor Mark Lockyer appeared at the Lliure last season with an autobiographical monologue focused on his bipolar disorder. Now he returns to tell us about a personal path towards the light. In English with Catalan subtitles.

Teatre Nacional de Catalunya (TNC)

(Pl. de les Arts, 1).

M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2).

www.tnc.cat/en/home

Els Jocs Florals de Canprosa

Oct 4-Nov 11. Wed 7pm; Thu-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. 24.50€-29€. The Jocs Florals is a historical, esteemed Catalan literary competition, which is why this 1902 parody on the subject caused so much scandal when it was first performed. In Catalan.

Tebas Land

Oct 10-14. Wed-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. 20€-24€. This play won the prestigious Award Off West End in London in 2017; it's relates the encounters in jail between a young paricide and a dramaturge who's trying to reconstruct the story of the crime. In Spanish.

Només una vegada

Oct 18-Nov 4. Wed 7pm; Thu-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. 20€-24€. Pau is a novelist and Eva an editor and they've been a couple for seven years. One day he hits her and a friend reports the abuse. It only happened once ('només una vegada' in Catalan) but the two have to participate in an obligatory therapy session with a psychologist. Comedy and drama combine in a reflection not only on domestic violence but also on communication in today's society. In Catalan.

Kassandra

Oct 24-Nov 18. Wed 7pm; Thu-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. 20€-24€. Inspired by the mythical character of Cassandra, writer and director Sergio Blanco creates a fascinating game of masks that is a study in the painful territory of silenced violence. In Catalan.

Teatre Poliorama

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

Maremar

Until Oct 28. Check website for times and prices. Based on Shakespeare's Pericles, Prince of Tyre, this performance from popular Catalan theatre group Dagoll Dagom is the story of a family fighting to be reunited. In Catalan.

Teatre Victòria

(Paral·lel, 67). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3).
www.teatrevictoria.com/es/inicio.html

Hits

Oct 11-Feb 3, 2019. Check website for times and prices. Tricycle is a much-loved trio of Catalan performers, renowned for their comedy and mime sketches. This show features some of their most well-known gags that many locals know by heart. In Catalan.

Hits. Tricycle. Teatre Victòria

Dance

Mercat de les Flors

(Lleida, 59). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3).
www.mercatflors.cat/en/

Thomas Noone: Closer

Oct 4-7. 8pm; Sun 6pm. 16€. This piece from popular choreographer Thomas Noone combines dance, physical theatre, music and visuals to create an emotive story of secrets and obsessions.

Ana Borralho & Joao Galante: Trigger of Happiness

Oct 5-7. 8.30pm; Sun 6.30pm. 12€. Young people aged between 18 and 23 take part in this work, to ask questions about happiness and talking about their dreams, conflicts, risks, identities, visions and experiences.

IDN Plus

Oct 18-21. Various times. 3€-6€. This four-part festival is a tribute to Núria Font, a Catalan specialist in video dance who died last year; it runs in parallel to other events in both Barcelona and Madrid.

Boris Charmatz: Flip Book

Oct 24, 25. 8pm. 22€. Based on the book Merce Cunningham, Fifty Years, Boris Charmatz reassesses 150 pieces developed by the US choreographer to create a new dance show.

Jorge Dutor & Guillem Mont de Palol: #LOSMICRÓFONOS

Oct 30. 8pm. 12€. The two dancers bring this work back to the Mercat, after they performed it there during the 2015-2016 season. It's an exploration of pop culture that invites audiences to reflect on personal memories and free associations.

Jorge Dutor & Guillem Mont de Palol: Y por qué John Cage?

Oct 31-Nov 1. 8pm. 12€. Another take on pop culture and other myths of modern society, that again sees the pair of Dutor and Mont de Palol play with contemporary lyrics, refrains and song titles.

MACBA

(Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Sant Antoni (L2).

www.macba.cat/en/index

Boris Charmatz: 20 Dancers for the XX Century

Oct 27, 28. Sat 4pm-8pm; Sun 11am-3pm. 10€. Twenty performers of varying ages perform, recall, appropriate and transmit acclaimed but forgotten solo modernist and post-modernist works from the 20th century, turning each participant and their body into an individual dance museum. Organised with Mercat de les Flors.

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC).
www.museunacional.cat/en/

FREE Peter Stamer: On Truth and Lie in an Extra-Moral Sense

Oct 25. 5.30pm. Showing as part of the Ciutat Oberta thought festival, this piece has been performed in museums around the world. Stamer questions the search for truth through the conclusions of Nietzsche. Organised with Mercat de les Flors.

Els Jocs Florals de Canprosa. Teatre Nacional de Catalunya. ©David Ruano



Visits

PLACES OF INTEREST

Basílica de la Sagrada Família

(Mallorca, 401). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Daily 9am-7pm. From 15€. Prior reservation necessary. www.sagradafamilia.org/en/ Barcelona's most famous landmark, begun by Antoni Gaudí in 1891 and unfinished to this day. A spectacular example of the architect's genius.

Basílica de Santa Maria del Mar

(Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon-Sat 9am-1pm, 5pm-8.30pm; Sun, public hols 9am-2pm, 5pm-8.30pm. Guided tours including rooftop: daily noon-7pm (check website for languages). 8€/10€. Beautiful Gothic church that's featured in popular novel *The Cathedral of the Sea* and whose rooftop provides stunning views of the city.

Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi

(Plaça del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Guided tour including bell tower: Daily noon, 1pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm (check website for languages). 8.50€. One of Barcelona's grandest Gothic churches, with unforgettable vistas from its roof and a majestic bell tower that shouldn't be missed.

Biblioteca Arús

(Pg. Sant Joan, 26). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Tetuan (L2). Tue 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). 9€. Created in 1895 using funds donated by Rosend Arús i Arderiu and located in his former home, this library specialises in research into social movements from the 19th and 20th centuries.

Casa Amatller

(Pg. de Gràcia, 41). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Guided tours (one hour): 11am (Eng), 5pm (Spa). 24€. Tours with video guide (40 mins): 10am-

6pm (various languages). 19€. www.amatller.org/en/ One of the city's most outstanding Modernista buildings, it was designed by architect Josep Puig i Cadafalch for Antoni Amatller, member of a well-known family of chocolate-makers.

Casa Batlló

(Pg. de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Daily 9am-9pm. From 24.50€. Located on Passeig de Gràcia, this is a favourite among fans of Gaudí's work. The beauty of its exterior combines with a careful use of colour, forms and light in the interior.

Casa de la Seda

(Sant Pere Més Alt, 1). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4), Jaume I (L4). Guided tour: Oct 6, 11am (Spa/Eng), noon (Cat); 10€. Oct 20: dramatised tour. 15€. This unique 18th-century building belongs to the city's guild of silk-workers, the only guild building in Barcelona that's open to the public. See its splendour, elegance and outstanding design.

Casa de les Punxes

(Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5), Provença. Daily 10am-7pm. Self-guided tour with audio guide (10 languages): 12.50€. Guided tour: 20€.

This Modernista gem, the work of Josep Puig i Cadafalch, has a splendid rooftop and is full of symbolism that has a special focus on Sant Jordi, the patron saint of Catalonia.

Casa Felip

(Ausiàs Marc, 21). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Fri 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). 14€. Once home to the Felip family, this apartment is an excellent example of Modernisme. Today it's the headquarters of the Fundació Vila Casas, which promotes contemporary Catalan art.

Casa Rocamora

(Ballester, 12). M: Lesseps (L3); FGC: Pàdua/Putxet. Thu 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). 12€. The art collected by Manuel Rocamora (1892-1976), a member of a wealthy industrial family who spent much of his life collecting pieces, is on display at his former home.

Casa Vicens

(C/ de les Carolines, 20). M: Fontana, Lesseps (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. 16€. Built between 1883 and 1885, this is the first house that Gaudí designed in Barcelona as a summer residence for the Vicens family. It opened to the public at the end of 2017.

Cementiri de Montjuïc

(Mare de Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. Tours on second and fourth Sun of month. Oct 14: 11.15am (Catalan); Oct 28: 11.15am (Spanish). www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en Barcelona's hillside graveyard is as much an art museum as a final resting-place, and has various noteworthy features such as the Fossar de la Pedrera memorial to some of those killed in the Civil War.

Centre Excursionista de Catalunya

(Paradís, 10). M: Jaume I (L4). Guided tour (50 mins) Thu, Sun 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm (various languages). 8€. As well as being home to the remains of the 1st century Roman Temple of Augustus, this centre has 140 years of experience in scientific and cultural excursions, including archaeological excavations.

Columbus Monument + Wine tasting

(Plaça del Portal, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Daily 8.30am-8.30pm. From 5.40€. Take the lift to the top of one of the city's most iconic landmarks, the Columbus Monument at the bottom of

La Rambla, for spectacular 360° views. And once you're done, enjoy a wine tasting in the dedicated space at the foot of the monument; it includes a different **Wine of the Week** to sample every week of the year and which is available to buy at a discount.

Gran Teatre del Liceu

(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Guided tours (45 mins): Mon-Fri 2pm, 3pm, 4pm; Sat, Sun every hour 9.30am-4pm. 9€. Prestige tour (50 mins): Mon-Fri 9.30am, 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm. 16€. Discover one of the world's greatest opera houses, with its impressive concert hall and exclusive private rooms that make it one of Barcelona's unmissable sights.

La Pedrera

(Passeig de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Pedrera by Day: Daily 9am-8.30pm; 22€. Gaudí's Pedrera. The Origins: Daily 9pm-11pm; 34€. The awakening of La Pedrera: Wed-Sat (Eng) 8am; 39€. Many Barcelona inhabitants believe this is Gaudí's true masterpiece. The wavy lines of its façade, the stunning roof terrace and original interior features are not to be missed.

Observatori Fabra

(Camí de l'Observatori, s/n). To get there, you need a car or can take a taxi. Dinner with stars: until Oct 7; Tue-Sun; from 71€. Night guided tours: from Oct 26; Fri, Sat; 15€/25€. Head to Barcelona's hillside observatory for an al fresco supper under the stars or an evening guided tour, plus a look through the historical telescope.

Palau Baró de Quadras

(Av. Diagonal, 373). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Wed 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). 10€. This building was remodelled by Josep Puig i Cadafalch



Casa de les Punxes

between 1902 and 1906, and was one of the first houses to be constructed on Avinguda Diagonal as part of the city's expansion project.

Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public hols). 12€. www.palauquell.cat/en Built by Gaudí in the late 19th century just off La Rambla, this palace was inhabited by his principal patron, Eusebi Güell, and his family.

Palau de la Balmesiana

(Duran i Bas, 9-11). M: Jaume I (L4), Catalunya (L1, L3); FGC: Thu, Sun 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm (various languages). 8€. Discover an architectural beauty hidden inside this historic palace, a Gothic-style chapel designed by a disciple of Gaudí, Joan Rubió i Bellver.

Palau de la Música Catalana

(Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Daily 10am-3.30pm (guided tours every 30 mins, various languages). 20€. Step inside one of the most beautiful Modernista buildings

in the city, which has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1997.

Palau Requesens

(Bisbe Cassador, 3). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Fri, Sat 7.30pm: Guided tours with glass of cava and sword fight; 20€; tour, supper & medieval show; from 71€ (check available dates on website). Oct 6 7.30pm: Sefarad Dinner including welcome drink, tour of Jewish quarter and meal of traditional Jewish food; from 71€. Day guided tour: Sat 11.30am, 12.30pm, 1.30pm. 8€.

This palace was built on one of the towers from the wall that surrounded Roman Barcelona. Where better to enjoy an evening of history, food and drink, and entertainment?

Palauet Casades

(Mallorca, 283). M: Diagonal (L3, L5). Mon 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). 10€. Created as a family home by Antoni Serra i Pujals, this Modernista building became the office for the city's lawyers' association in 1924.

Park Güell

(Olot, 5). M: Vallcarca (L3). Until Oct 27: daily 8am-8.30pm; from Oct 28 daily 8.30am-6.15pm. 8.50€. Daily general

guided tours (Spa, Eng and Fre); daily private guided tours for 2-5 people. Advanced booking recommended. www.parkguell.cat/en/ Set in a privileged spot above the city, this park was intended as Gaudí's take on an English garden city. Despite its lack of success at the time, it has become one of Barcelona's most-visited landmarks.

Pavelló Mies van der Rohe

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3); FGC). 10am-8pm. 5€. Symbolic work from the Modern movement, it was designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe and Lilly Reich as the German national pavilion for the 1929 Barcelona International Exhibition.

Reial Acadèmia de Ciències i Arts de Barcelona

(La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3); FGC). Wed, Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm. Various languages. 8€. This illustrious institution is located in an 18th-century building at the heart of the city. Albert Einstein explained the fundamentals of relativity there and it's home to an 1869 astronomical clock.

Reial Acadèmia de Farmàcia de Catalunya

(C/del Hospital, 56). M: Sant Antoni (L2), Liceu (L3). Wed, Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm (various languages). 8€. The pharmacy of the one-time Hospital of the Holy Cross is the oldest of its kind in Europe, dating from 1417. It's currently home to the Royal Academy of Pharmacy of Catalonia and contains numerous historical artefacts.

Reial Acadèmia de Medicina de Catalunya

(Carme, 47). M: Liceu (L3). Dinner of the Senses: an

introduction to neuroscience and a gastronomic experience involving all your senses; Sat 8pm; from 71€. Dinner of the Enigma: Enjoy a culinary and cultural experience full of surprises and mystery; Fri 8pm (not Oct 19); from 71€. Guided tours: Wed, Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm. Various languages. 8€.

Located in one of Barcelona's most important neo-classical buildings, highlights include the anatomy amphitheatre that was used to train surgeons. Take a guided tour or enjoy one of the two special themed dinners on offer.

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Mon-Sat 9.30am-6.30pm; Sun and public hols 9.30am-2.30pm. Self-guided tour: 14€. Guided tour (check website for times): 19€. www.santpaubarcelona.org/en Tour the buildings and grounds of this one-time working hospital, which is one of the world's largest Art Nouveau monuments.

Torre Bellesguard

(Bellesguard, 20). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Tue-Sun 10am-3pm. Closed Mon. Self-guided tour with audio guide: 9€. Full guided tour: Sat, Sun 11am (Eng); Sat noon, Sun 1.15pm (Spa); 16€. This castle was created by Gaudí at the foot of Tibidabo mountain, and his design combines Modernisme and medieval Gothic designs.

GUIDED TOURS

Icono

Stories and legends of the Gothic quarter

(Start: Plaça Nova, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu 3.30pm (Eng/Spa); Sat 10am (Fre). From 15€. Explore the heart of the Ciutat Vella, discover its long history and see some of the city's emblematic landmarks.

Visits

The Ghost Walking Tour **BUY**

(Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Fri 9.30pm (Spa/Cat); Sat 8.30pm (Eng). From 12€. A two-hour tour around some of the spookiest corners of Barcelona.

The Shadow of the Wind Literary Tour **BUY**

(Start: Centre d'Art Santa Mònica, La Rambla, 9). M: Drassanes (L3). Sat 6pm (Eng/Spa). From 14€. For fans of Carlos Ruiz Zafón's extraordinarily successful Barcelona-set book, this guided tour is a can't-miss.

The Cathedral of the Sea **BUY**

(Start: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). Sun 10am (Spa/Cat). From 14€. If you enjoyed Ildefonso Falcones's eponymous novel, check out this tour that takes in some of the places mentioned in the book.

Cases Singulares

www.casessingulars.com check website for more tours Puig i Cadafalch in Montjuïc Route Start: Torres Venecianes, Plaça Espanya. M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 6, 11am. 12€. New guided tour that takes in the key buildings and spaces on Montjuïc that architect Josep Puig i Cadafalch created for the Universal Exposition held in Barcelona in 1929.

Walking Tours Barcelona **BUY**

Walking Tour Picasso **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Point, Plaça Catalunya, 17, basement). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 3pm (Eng); Wed, Sat 3.30pm (Fre). From 19.80€. Pablo Picasso spent several of his formative years living in Barcelona, and this tour includes places that inspired him in his youth and the world-renowned Museu Picasso that the artist helped to create.

Walking Tour Gòtic **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Daily 9.30am (Eng); Thu, Sat 11.30am (Spa/Cat); Tue, Thu 5pm (Fre). From 14.40€. Take an in-depth look at the oldest part of the city, the Gothic Quarter, and learn about its development from Roman times to the medieval period.

Easy Walking Tour Gòtic **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2; wheelchair access is through the main door of City Hall). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Fri 10am (Eng), noon (Spa/Cat). From 12.15€. Suitable for anyone with reduced mobility, this one-hour tour in the centre of Barcelona is accessible to all and includes history, architecture and curious facts.

Barcelona Genuine Shops **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Fri 3.30pm (Eng/Spa/Cat). No tours Oct 12. From 25€. Get ready for an authentic retail therapy experience with this tour of some of Barcelona's most interesting and unique shops that includes the chance to meet the producers of speciality food, jewellery, footwear and more. A premium tour is available Mon to Sat for groups of 1-10 people.

Walking Tour Modernisme **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Point, Plaça Catalunya, 17, basement). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Wed, Fri 5pm (Eng); Thu 11.30am (Spa/Cat). From 14.40€. A two-hour tour that takes in some of Barcelona's finest architecture from the Catalan Art Nouveau movement of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Walking Tour Gourmet **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Mon, Fri 10.30am (Eng); no tour Oct 12. From 19.80€. This guided tour combines fine food and history, giving you the chance to sample local products and discover some of the city's cultural heritage.

LEISURE

Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths

(Pg. de Picasso, 22). M: Barceloneta, Jaume I (L4). Sun-Thu: first session 9am, final session from 11pm. Fri, Sat: first session 9am, final session from midnight. Indulge yourself at this luxurious spa.

Barcelona Urban Forest **BUY**

(Plaça del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Check website for opening times. From 11€. Fun for all ages with zip lines, bridges and six-metre-high platforms.

Gaudí Experiència **BUY**

(Larrard, 41). M: Lesseps (L3). Daily 11.30am-4pm. 9€. Interactive 4D journey through Gaudí's creativity.

L'Aquàrium **BUY**

(Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Mon-Fri 10am-8pm; weekends and Oct 12 10am-8.30pm. 20€. The city's aquarium features a range of living creatures.

Poble Espanyol **BUY**

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Mon 9am-8pm; Tue-Thu, Sun 9am-midnight; Fri 9am-3am; Sat 9am-4am. From 6.30€. Architecture from around the country at this 'Spanish village'.

PortAventura World theme park **BUY**

(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). T. 902 20 22 20. Train: Port Aventura (line R16 from Sants-Estació or Passeig de Gràcia; renfe.es). PortAventura Park: check website for opening times. Ferrari Land: 10.30am-5pm. www.portaventuraworld.com/en

Experience two different parks: PortAventura Park, that has rides, adventures and shows for everyone in six different themed areas; and Ferrari Land, a unique space in Europe that's dedicated to the fast cars with incredible rides and attractions as well as new experiences for kids that opened this year. Get there direct by bus, 90 minutes from the centre of Barcelona – tickets available at tourist offices. Until Nov 18 the park is filled with characters as funny as they are terrifying and hosts shows that will enchant the whole family. Have a frightfully good time at PortAventura Park's Halloween!

Tibidabo theme park **BUY**

(Pl. del Tibidabo, 3-4). Bus Tibibus (T2A) from Pl. de Catalunya. FGC: Av. Tibidabo (L7) + Bus 196 + Tibidabo Funicular. Weekends and Oct 12 11am-9pm. 28.50€. New and classic rides, plus amazing views across the city.

Zoo de Barcelona **BUY**

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). Until Oct 27 10am-7pm; from Oct 28 10am-5.30pm. 21.40€. Check website for activities, services and promotions. Animals large, small and all sizes in between.

BUS TOURS

Barcelona Bus Turístic **BUY**

Different stops around the city. From 30€. Get the most out of your trip to the city with a tour on this

hop on-hop off sightseeing bus. Three routes cover all of Barcelona's key landmarks, accompanied by an audio guide in 18 languages and a book of vouchers with discounts worth up to 250€.

Catalunya Bus Turístic, different options including:

Wine and Cava **BUY**

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun 8.30am-4.15pm. From 66.60€ Catalan wines have become increasingly popular in recent times and this is your chance to see how some of the best vintages from the local Penedès region are produced before sampling them alongside delicious cheese and other specialities.

Dalí's Figueres & Girona **BUY**

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sun 8.30am-7.30pm. From 71.10€ Travel to two other capitals of Catalan culture, Girona and Figueres. In the first, you'll visit the Jewish quarter as well as other historic sights and streets; in the second, discover the unique world of artist Salvador Dalí at his Teatre-Museum, Catalonia's most-visited museum.

Premium Montserrat **BUY**

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Mon-Sat 8.30am-5pm. From 63.90€ This day trip takes you to the sacred mountain of Montserrat, where you can explore the monastery that's home to the Black Madonna and the Escolania boys' choir and take in the wonderful natural setting. You also visit Colonia Güell, a 19th-century workers' colony whose church was designed by Gaudí.

Easy Montserrat **BUY**

(Start: Plaça Catalunya on the corner of Rambla Catalunya in front of the Desigual shop). M:

Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily (not Sat) 10am-4pm. From 44.10€

Ride the train up the mountain of Montserrat then enjoy a guided tour of this holy site with its Benedictine Monastery and statue of the Virgin of Montserrat. You'll also hear a performance from the world-famous Escolania boys' choir.

Barcelona Tour **BUY**

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Point, Plaça Catalunya, 17, basement). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sat 4.30pm-9.30pm. From 44.10€ Combined walking and bus tour that includes many of Barcelona's most famous sights as well as supper at the Modernista Hospital de Sant Pau, the light, water and colour show of the Magic Fountain, and panoramic views of the city by night from Montjuïc.



Casa de la seda



Pavelló Mies Van der Rohe

Day by day

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MONDAY

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Magic nights at Casa Batlló

(Passeig de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Until Nov 4. Daily from 8pm. 39€.

For a memorable evening experience, take a tour of Gaudí's famous Casa Batlló with an enhanced reality Smartguide followed by an open-air concert on the rooftop with two drinks included.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Oct 1, 4, 15, 28. 9pm. 23€. Classical Spanish guitar at its best performed by Manuel González, described by the New York Times as one of the leading specialists in the genre.

JAZZ

Jamboree Jam Session

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Mon 8pm. 5€ (box office). 4€ (online in advance). More info at: www.masimas.com/en/jamboree. Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

ART EVENT

Spencer Finch

Pavelló Mies van der Rohe (Avda. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Oct 7. The Mies van der Rohe Pavilion hosts 'Fifteen stones (Ryōan-ji)', an artistic intervention by Spencer Finch that connects the aesthetics of the space with Zen philosophy.

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TUESDAY

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Supper under the stars at Observatori Fabra

(Camí de l'Observatori, s/n). To get there, you need a car or can take a taxi. Until Oct 7. Tue-Sun 8.30pm. From 71€. Check website for dates and availability. Head to Barcelona's hillside observatory for an al fresco supper, scientific talk, guided tour and the chance to look at the stars through its historical telescope. A variety of menu options is on offer.

FAMILY

Mysteries of the National

Museum 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). www.museunacional.cat/en This activity, for children aged 7 and above, involves sifting out the answers to a series of clues related to the artworks on display. Get your form from the group information desk at the entrance and prepare to start investigating! In English, Spanish and Catalan.

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Daily 9.30am, noon, 4pm; check website for availability. No prior reservation necessary. www.aquariumbcn.com/en/ Barcelona's Aquarium offers you the chance to go cage diving in their Oceanarium tank, home to sharks and thousands of other creatures, without the need to book ahead.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa

Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 2, 4, 15. 9pm. 20€.

Robert Majure performs an intimate candlelit concert where you can also enjoy a glass of wine.

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 2, 10, 31. 9pm. From 19€. Ekaterina Záyitseva was brought up in Russia, although she has lived in Spain for over a decade and is a Spanish guitar expert.

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Tue-Sun 4.30pm (Eng); Sat, Sun 6.30pm (Spa). 5.50€, 6.60€. Prior booking necessary: reservelbornccm@eicub.net. One-hour tour of remains from the start of the 18th century that were uncovered below the market that once stood on this site.

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WEDNESDAY

HALLOWEEN

Halloween at PortAventura Park

(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). T. 902 20 22 20. Train: Port Aventura (line R16 from Sants-Estació or Passeig de Gràcia; renfe.es). Until Nov 18. Check website for opening times and prices. It's the spookiest time of the year once more and, as ever, theme park PortAventura is in on the scary action, with special characters appearing for the occasion and Halloween shows for all the family. Prepare for a frighteningly fun time! Get there direct by bus, 90 minutes from the centre of Barcelona – tickets available at tourist offices.

TOURS

Catalan Parliament

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). You have to reserve your tour online at least two days in advance: www3.parlament.cat/aces/visites/info/en/index.html

The Catalan parliamentary institution is one of the oldest in the world; today it's composed of a single house with 135 members. Take a 45-minute tour with an expert guide who explains the building's history and Parliament's functions.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 39€, 45€. Pedro J. González gives a recital of Spanish guitar in the beautiful surrounds of the Modernista Palau de la Música Catalana.

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THURSDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

20è Festival Mil·lenni: José González

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). 9pm. 26€-58€. The opening concert for this year's anniversary edition of the Festival Mil·lenni, an eclectic celebration of music that started in 1999 and this year runs until mid-March 2019, sees José González perform with The String Theory orchestra, an artists' collective with bases in Berlin and Gothenburg, González's home city.

ARTS FESTIVAL

21a Fira Mediterrània de Manresa

Various venues. Oct 4-7. This festival of popular culture and world music and folk takes place in the Catalan town of Manresa, and is a forum for professionals to

network as well as the public to appreciate numerous live performances (many of which happen in open-air venues) that include circus, dance, music, storytelling and theatre.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Bach's 'Goldberg Variations'

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 30€-60€. www.palaumusica.cat/en Illustrious pianist Sir Andrés Schiff comes to the iconic Palau de la Música for a programme of Bach including his famed 'Goldberg Variations'.

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmasas

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Thu. 11pm. 25€. La Petita Companyia Lírica de Barcelona performs in a unique historical venue.

TECHNO

Techno session

Moog (Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3). From midnight. Head to the city centre for a night of electronica and dance at Barcelona's foremost techno club.

FILM FESTIVAL

Festival de Cinema Fantàstic i de Terror de Sitges

Various venues. Oct 4-14. One of the world's foremost film festivals returns this month. Now celebrating its 51st edition, the Sitges Film Festival was created to focus on fantasy and terror movies, and in recent times its remit has widened to include television series and digital creations. Actors Tilda Swinton, Nicolas Cage and Ed Harris have been announced as the recipients of this year's Grand Honorary Awards.

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FRIDAY

OPERA

I Puritani

Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Oct 5-21. 8pm except Sun 7, 21 6pm and Sun 14 5pm. 12€-299€.

Soprano Pretty Yende and tenor Javier Camarena star in Vincenzo Bellini's tale of love that plays out against the backdrop of conflict between Protestants and Catholics. The action starts in 20th-century Northern Ireland before moving to its original 17th-century setting.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

OBC: Tchaikovsky's 'La Patètica'

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Oct 5-7. Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 11am. 10€-58€.

Polish pianist Piotr Anderszewski is the guest performer accompanying the Orquestra Simfònica de Barcelona i Nacional de Catalunya led by conductor Kazushi Ono in its interpretation of Tchaikovsky's 'Symphony n° 6' as well as an homage to Leonard Bernstein and Bartok's piano concerto n° 3.

SINGER-SONGWRITER

Marwan

Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 9pm. 22€. www.theproject.es/en Thanks to word-of-mouth, Marwan has established himself as one of the leading singer-songwriters in Spain today, and also established a solid fan base across South America.

MEDIEVAL FAIR

4th Medieval Fair

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Fri 6pm-11pm; Sat 11am-11pm;

11am-10pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Take a trip back in time with this fair full of activities, shows and workshops for all ages. The three-day programme includes crafts, an extensive market, traditional music, food, knights, dragons and even two popular characters from Game of Thrones.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. 20€. Robert Majure performs an intimate candlelit concert where you can also enjoy a glass of wine.

CAVA FESTIVAL

Cavatast: XXII Mostra de Caves i Gastronomia

Various venues in Sant Sadurn d'Anoia. Renfe: Sant Sadurn d'Anoia (local train from Sants-Estació) (R4). Oct 5-7. Fri 7pm-11pm; Sat 11am-11pm; Sun 11am-9pm. www.cavatast.cat

Found at the heart of the Catalan wine region of Penedès, Sant Sadurn d'Anoia (known as the 'Capital of Cava') once more hosts a full weeked dedicated to cava tastings as well as gastronomy and related activities. Take a 40-minute train ride out of the city for an unmissable experience full of bubbles, gourmet treats and much more!

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€. European jazz concert from the Claes Magnet Trio, led by the eponymous pianist and composer; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

EQUESTRIANISM

CSIO Barcelona 108th International Horse Jumping Competition

Reial Club de Polo de Barcelona (Av. Dr Marañón, 19-31). M: Zona Universitària (L3). Oct 5-7.

www.csiobarcelona.com/en/ For the sixth year in a row, Barcelona hosts one of the most prestigious equestrian events in the world, the Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup Final. Across three days, the city's polo club is the stage for six different competitions featuring the best riders aiming for both individual and team glory. There will also be section featuring food, drink and fun activities for all the family.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Fri 3.30pm. From 25€. Three-hour tour led by a professional guide that lets you discover some of the city's most distinctive and authentic shops.

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SATURDAY

DANCE MUSIC

Love the 90s

Palau Sant Jordi (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Doors: 7.30pm. From 25€. www.theproject.es Touring concert that celebrates the best of dance music from the 1990s with both national and international stars taking to the stage, including 2 Unlimited, Haddaway and Double You, plus a DJ set from the Jumper Brothers.

FAMILY

The hidden treasures of the Guitars

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Weekends. 0.50€ plus entry fee for museum. <http://mmb.cat/en/> Take this self-guided tour of the '7 vessels, 7 histories' ex-

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hibition along with siblings Laia and Pau to discover a whole host of treasures around the theme of sailors, pirates and treasure maps. For children 7 and above.

Family activities at the Zoo

Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). Weekends and public holidays. 21.40€. Children 3-12 12.95€. Under-3s, free.

In the morning enjoy activities like helping at the farm, discovering how to look after animals, and learning more about the zoo's inhabitants; at 3pm (Plaça Dama del Paraigües) and 5pm (in front of lion enclosure), hear stories courtesy of one of the zookeepers.

3D Planetarium and activities for kids

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Weekends and public holidays. Check with museum for times. Explore the secrets of deep space with a range of screenings available in English, French, Spanish and Catalan. Kids can also enjoy hands-on activities that feature different aspects of science.

Concerts for children

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every weekend in October. Sat 6pm; Sun noon. €4.

<http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>

'Un bosc a la paret' (A forest on the wall) sees four musicians explore noises that are found in forests, where any sound can become music. For children five and above.

SAILING TRIPS

Barcelona from the sea

Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Every Sat. 10am. Adults 12€; children (7-14) 6€.

<http://mmb.cat/en/>

Three-hour trip on a traditional sailing-boat that lets you see the city from a different perspective and learn about the history of its seafloor.

Barcelona port: past, present and future

Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7. Every Sat. 11am. Adults 15€; children (7-14) 9€.

<http://mmb.cat/en/>

Two-hour trip on a traditional sailing-boat that takes you on a voyage around the city's port and explains how it's developed over time to become one of the key goods ports in southern Europe.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 6, 7, 8, 20. 9pm, except Sat 6, 20 9.30pm. From 19€.

Barcelona Guitar Trio perform a flamenco-fusion concert that pays homage to the iconic Paco de Lucía.

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 6, 13, 18, 27. 9pm. 20€.

Barcelona Duo de Guitarra perform a candlelit concert entitled 'Carmen', as you enjoy a glass of wine.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

Enjoy an afternoon concert in a historical location as well as an afternoon snack (served before the concert) and museum visit.

HUMAN TOWERS

Castells for the Festa Major de Sarrià

(Plaça del Consell de la Vila). FGC: Reina Elisenda (L12). 6pm.

www.cccc.cat/home

As part of the activities planned for the neighbourhood festival of Sarrià, three casteller groups create their amazing castles.

TOURS

La Barcelona de Frederic Marès

Museu Frederic Marès (Plaça de Sant Lu, 5). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). 11am-1pm. 10€. Advance reservation necessary. www.museumares.bcn.cat

This tour takes in some of the public sculptures by Frederic Marès as well as key places related to the sculptor and prolific collector, to provide a broader idea of his life, career and role in the cultural life of Catalonia and Barcelona.

Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. Sat noon. In Catalan. www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en

Guided tour of the world's largest collection of such carriages, with examples dating from the 18th century to the 1950s.

TRADITIONS

Sardanes

(Pla de la Seu). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; Sun 11.15am. Catalonia's national dance is performed in front of the cathedral every weekend.

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SUNDAY

FOOTBALL

La Liga: RCD Espanyol vs. Villarreal CF

Estadi Cornellà-El Prat (Av. del Baix Llobregat, 100. Cornellà de Llobregat). FGC: Cornellà Riera. Date and time tbc.

www.rcdespanyol.com

Espanyol are at home this week where they take on the Valencian team known as The Yellow Submarine thanks to the colour of their strip.

TRIATHLON

Barcelona Triathlon by Santander

Platja de la Nova Mar Bella. M: Poblenou, Selva de Mar (L4). From 8.10am.

This weekend sees the return

of an increasingly popular sporting event in Barcelona, the city's triathlon, taking place in a fabulous beachfront location with competitors swimming, biking and running their ways to the finish line. There are three levels (Olympic, Sprint and Supersprint) and some of the events allow for team or relay participation. What's more, on Sat 6 the Tri Expo event (Moll de la Marina, 10am-7pm) features the latest products for triathletes and fans of outdoor sport from leading brands.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Shopping Days

Various venues. Oct 7, 14. Noon-8pm. barcelonashoppingcity.com

Don't miss your chance to check out the new trends for the autumn/winter season and explore the many stores the city has to offer with the return of Barcelona Shopping Days that sees numerous shops opening for two Sundays this month.

CHAMBER MUSIC

Forma Antiqua, Café Telemann

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. €4. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>

The group Forma Antiqua perform a concert dedicated to the prolific German composer Georg Philipp Telemann.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Oct 7, 21, 31. 9.30pm. 20€-50€.

Hear the most traditional sounds of classic Spanish flamenco, with an intense performance full of passion.

FAMILY

In the Dreams of Gala Salvador Dalí

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10am-3pm. www.museunacional.cat/en

This activity, for children aged 7 and above, involves solving a mystery related to the works on display in the current temporary exhibition dedicated to Gala, wife and muse of Dalí!

Clik

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Weekends and public holidays. Check with museum for times. The Clik area is a workshop for kids aged three and above that introduces them to scientific discoveries through play and observation.

Family planetarium

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). First Sunday of month. 11.30am, 12.45pm. Adults 4€. Children 2.50€.

<http://mmb.cat/en/>

For children aged 3 and above, this hour-long activity looks at the most important constellations and planets, and how people have used stars to help navigate their boats. In Catalan.

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MONDAY

JAZZ

Jamboree Jam Session

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Mon 8pm. 5€ (box office). 4€ (online in advance). More info at: www.masimas.com/en/jamboree

Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

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TUESDAY

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Oct 9, 14, 16, 18, 24. 9pm. From 19€.

Pedro J. González performs a recital of flamenco guitar music featuring work by masters including Manuel de Falla and Niño Miguel.

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 9, 11, 16, 23, 25, 30. 9pm. 20€. Joan Benezam presents 'Fandango', a journey through the history of Spanish guitar, while you enjoy a glass of wine.

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WEDNESDAY

BOAT FAIR

Saló Nàutic Internacional de Barcelona

Oct 10-14. www.salonnautico.com

The city's popular boat fair returns for another five days of yachts, sailboats, speedboats and the latest boat accessories plus places to eat and drink and activities for all ages. Whether you're thinking of buying, already a lucky owner who wants to upgrade or just like to dream of life on the open seas, don't miss your chance to see some of the best boats on the market today.

POP

Rick Astley

Sala Barts (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Time tbc. 39€, 50.50€.

www.livenation.es

Anyone who loves catchy pop from the 1980s won't want to miss this show from the enduringly popular British singer. In more recent times, he's found success once more thanks to his 2016 album, 50, while he's now touring to present his latest record, Beautiful Life.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Simon Keeleyside & Malcolm Martineau

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 20€-60€.

In collaboration with the Lied Festival Victoria de los Ángeles currently taking place in Barcelona, baritone Simon Keeleyside and pianist Malcolm Martineau perform a programme

of works by Brahms, Poulenc, Ravel and Schubert.

TOURS

Catalan Parliament

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Wed 3.

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THURSDAY

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Oct 11, 13, 17, 23, 30. 9pm. 39€, 45€.

BCN Guitar Trio & Dance present a unique show featuring three prestigious guitarists and one of Spain's leading flamenco dance couples, who pay homage to the great Paco de Lucía.

FILM MUSIC

OBCPops: 'Jurassic Park'

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Oct 11-13. 8pm. 10€-60€.

Relive all the thrills, laughs and scares of the original dinosaur cloning film, as it's screened in English (with subtitles in Catalan) and accompanied with a live performance of the accompanying soundtrack.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

LEM Festival: Lenka Morávková.

MACBA-Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona (Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Catalunya (L1, L3). 10pm. Annual international meeting of experimental music.

More info: <https://www.macba.cat/ca/festival-lem-lenka-moravkova/1/all/activ>

TECHNO

Techno session

Moog (Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3).

See Thu 4.

OPERA

I Puritani

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Opera at Palau Dalmaes

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). See Thu 4.

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FRIDAY

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Magic nights at Casa Batlló

(Passeig de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4).

For a memorable evening experience, take a tour of Gaudí's famous Casa Batlló with an enhanced reality Smartguide followed by an open-air concert on the rooftop with two drinks included.

Survival zombie

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 11pm. From 15€.

www.poble-espanyol.com

Are you ready for six hours of adrenaline as you try to survive the night in a village invaded by zombies? Run, help, gather information and if you get bitten, change onto the zombie team and become a hunter.

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Tue 2.

Day by day

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM **BUY**

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€.

Hear a tribute to the one and only Tom Jones with a concert of rock, soul, funk and blues from Arkano's Trio; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar **BUY**

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). 9pm. From 19€.

Xavier Coll is a Barcelona guitarist who has studied with illustrious teachers, won various awards for his performances and played in different venues around the world.

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine **BUY**

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 12, 19, 26. 7pm. 20€.

www.spanishguitarbarcelona.com
Barcelona Duo de Guitarra perform a candlelit concert entitled 'Carmen', as you enjoy a glass of wine as well as the music.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops **BUY**

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 5.

CULTURAL FESTIVAL

European Heritage Days

(Jornades Europees del Patrimoni) Various venues around Catalonia. Oct 12-14. <http://patrimoni.gencat.cat/ca/jep2018>

Throughout the weekend, Barcelona takes part in this European initiative that celebrates the heritage of the 50 signatory states of the European Cultural Convention. It's a chance to enjoy free guided tours of palaces, castles, gardens, monasteries and many more historical sites both in the city

itself and around Catalonia.

Concerts, exhibitions and theatrical performances are also part of the programme.

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SATURDAY

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM **BUY**

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

Enjoy an afternoon concert in a historical location as well as an afternoon snack (served before the concert) and museum visit.

FAMILY FILM

Kids' cinema season

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 11.30am. €4.

<http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>
CaixaForum launches a new season of films for children from around the world. Today it's La Vida de Calabacín (2016), a French film about a kid called Courgette, who goes to live in an orphanage after his mother dies. Dubbed in Spanish.

COOKING WORKSHOP

Children's Halloween sweets workshop

Museu de la Xocolata (Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 4pm-6pm. 15€.

www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en
Get ready for trick and treating with this workshop for kids (aged 8 to 12) about making different Halloween sweets. In Spanish and Catalan.

TOURS

Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection **FREE**

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 6.

SAILING TRIPS

Barcelona port: past, present and future

Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.
Barcelona from the sea Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.

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SUNDAY

FAMILY

Mr Alret **i**

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 12.30pm-1.20pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Mr Alret is a comedian, juggler and accordionist, an eccentric character who draws the audiences into his world of magic, fun and fantasy. For children aged three and above. In Catalan.

Galleon explorers

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Second Sunday of the month. 11.30am, 12.45pm. Children: 4.50€. www.mmb.cat

One-hour activity for children aged 6 and above. Join Indiana Jones's cousin, Francesc Jones, as he seeks to discover what life was like aboard a galleon.

SPORT

Campionats del Món de Pilota

Pavelló de la Vall d'Hebron (Granja Vella, 12-16). M: Montbau (L3). Oct 14-20. www.mundialpilota2018.org/?lang=en

While you might not be familiar with the historical sport of pilota, it's definitely worth checking out and these world championships let you see the best players from countries including France, Italy, the USA,

Peru and Brazil. Originating in the Basque Country, pilota sees participants use their hands, rackets, wooden bats or baskets to hit a ball against the walls of the court.

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco **BUY**

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Oct 14, 28. 9.30pm. 20€-50€.

This show is a love story combining the passion and beauty of the two musical genres, and which tells the tale of a tempestuous affair between flamenco dancers who perform to some of opera's most famous arias.

SHOPPING

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MEDIEVAL MUSIC

Sirventés

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. €4. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>

The poetry of the 13th-century Occitane troubadours is remembered and re-interpreted by the Sirventés trio as they introduce Oriental, pop and modern touches.

WALKING TOUR

Galleons, guilds and merchants

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Second Sunday of the month. 11am. 6.50€.

<http://mmb.cat/en/>
Two-hour guided walking tour along the seafront of Barcelona, starting at the Royal Boatyards (Maritime Museum)

and taking in some of the surviving elements from the city's splendid medieval era.

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MONDAY

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Tue 2.

SPANISH GUITAR

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Robert Majure performs an intimate candlelit concert where you can also enjoy a glass of wine.

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar **BUY**

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Oct 1, 4, 15, 28. 9pm. 23€.
Classical Spanish guitar at its best performed by Manuel González, described by the New York Times as one of the leading specialists in the genre.

JAZZ

Jamboree Jam Session

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Mon 8pm. 5€ (box office). 4€ (online in advance). More info at: www.masimas.com/en/jamboree.
Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

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TUESDAY

OPERA

I Puritani **i**

Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Oct 5-21. 8pm except Sun 7, 21 6pm and

Sun 14 5pm. 12€-299€.
Soprano Pretty Yende and tenor Javier Camarena star in Vincenzo Bellini's tale of love that plays out against the backdrop of conflict between Protestants and Catholics. The action starts in 20th-century Northern Ireland before moving to its original 17th-century setting.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween at PortAventura Park **BUY**

(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). T. 902 20 22 20. Train: Port Aventura (line R16 from Sants-Estació or Passeig de Gràcia; renfe.es). Until Nov 18. Check website for opening times and prices. It's the spookiest time of the year once more and, as ever, theme park PortAventura is in on the scary action, with special characters appearing for the occasion and Halloween shows for all the family. Prepare for a frighteningly fun time! Get there direct by bus, 90 minutes from the centre of Barcelona – tickets available at tourist offices.

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WEDNESDAY

POP – DANCE

Jason Derulo

Sant Jordi Club (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Doors: 7pm. From 41.60€.
www.doctormusic.com
This is the second show in Spain on the current tour from the popular US singer, songwriter and dancer, ahead of the release of his new album, 2Sides.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Vivaldi's 'Juditha Triumphans' **i**

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). 8pm. 10€-84€. Vivaldi wrote this piece to mark the triumph of the victory of Venice over the Turks during the siege of Corfu in

the early 18th century, and all the voices he wrote for it, both soloists and choir, are female.

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THURSDAY

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmaes **i**

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu 11pm. 25€.
La Petita Companyia Lírica de Barcelona performs in a historical venue.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

20è Festival Mil·lenni: Jarabe de Palo **i**

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). 9pm. 28€-88€.
The Spanish rock group is celebrating its 20th anniversary with a special tour including this date as part of this year's Festival Mil·lenni.

CATALAN POP

Maria Arnal & Marcel Bagés

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 12€, 25€.

www.palaumusica.cat/en
Singer Maria Arnal and guitarist Marcel Bagés are two of the biggest stars on the current Catalan music scene, thanks to their pared-back approach to popular music. Here they perform the final concert of their latest tour.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine **BUY**

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 6, 13, 18, 27. 9pm. 20€.
Barcelona Duo de Guitarra perform a candlelit concert entitled 'Carmen', as you enjoy a glass of wine.

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FRIDAY

FOOD AND DRINK

Mercat de Mercats **i**

(Av. de la Catedral). M: Jaume I (L4). Oct 19-21. Check website for times.

Every year, Barcelona salutes the very best of local food and drink with this 'market of markets' featuring stalls, cooking demos, tastings of tapas, wine and cava, and much more.

WALKING TOUR

Barcelona – fishing port

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Third Friday of the month. 3.30pm. 15€.

<http://mmb.cat/en/>
90-minute guided walking tour to discover Barcelona's fishing industry. Find out what species are caught here, the methods used to catch them, and about responsible fish consumption. You'll also see the arrival of fishing boats and the auction of their catch.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops **BUY**

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 5.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Festival Victoria de los Ángeles

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 8pm. 20€, 60€.

www.santpaubarcelona.org/en
Award-winning countertenor Jakub Józef Orłinski and pianist Michal Biel perform together as part of this festival dedicated to Barcelona lied expert and soprano Victoria de los Ángeles (1923-2005) with a wide-ranging recital that particularly focuses on Orłinski's home country of Poland.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM **BUY**

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I

Day by day

(L4). Fri 6pm. 14€.
Swing and R&B from The Big 3, namely singer Augie Burr, saxophonist Big Dani Perez, and pianist Marc Ferrer; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

SINGER-SONGWRITER

Rozalén – Cuando el río suena

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9.30pm. 20€-40€. www.theproject.es/en
Award-winning Spanish musician Rozalén comes to Barcelona to perform from her latest album, Cuando el río suena (2017).

MODERNISTA FESTIVAL

Festa Modernista de la Colònia Güell

(Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC) + FGC: Colònia Güell station (S4, S8 or S33). Oct 19-21. www.coloniamodernista.cat www.gaudicoloniaguell.org/en
Colònia Güell was created in 1890 by Gaudí patron Eusebi Güell as an out-of-town site for one of his factories and neighbouring town for its employees, with the aim of improving their working and personal lives. Antoni Gaudí was charged with designing the colony's church and although his work is unfinished, it's still a marvellous creation. This festival dedicated to Modernisme is a great opportunity to discover his work and the colony itself while seeing people in period costumes providing a taste of what life was like there some 100 years ago.

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SATURDAY

SAILING TRIPS

Barcelona port: past, present and future

Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.
Barcelona from the sea Orga-

nised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.

TRADITIONS

Sardanes

(Pla de la Seu). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; Sun 11.15am.
Catalonia's national dance is performed in front of the cathedral every weekend.

TOURS

Casa de la Seda

An historic building, awarded as an Architectural Landmark of National Interest. The Casa de la Seda was the home of the Sailmakers' Guild, or Guild of Silk Sailmakers. Dating from the 18th century, it is situated in the Ribera district next to the Palau de la Música Catalana. The elegant and mysterious Casa de la Seda is a beautiful and opulent building that stands next to the Palau de la Música Catalana and was declared an Architectural Landmark of National Interest in 1919. It opened to the public in 2016 to reveal 300 years of splendour and history.

Secret Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). 8.30pm (Eng/Cat); 8.45pm (Fre/Spa). 20€. Not available for under-10s. www.palauaguell.cat/en
This 90-minute evening tour lets you see parts of this Gaudí-designed building that aren't usually open to the public. Learn about the daily life of the Güell family, see the amazing rooftop views, and visit the office of patriarch Eugeni Güell.

Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 6.

D'auca en auca i tiro perquè em toca!

Museu Frederic Marès (Plaça de Sant Iu, 5). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). 11am-1pm. 6€. Advance reservation necessary. www.museumares.bcn.cat
Family-friendly tour of the museum that lets each family group taking part interact

independently with the items on show in Marès's 'collector's cabinet'. Once the tour's completed, there's the chance to go to a creative space where you can make your own board game.

HIKING

International Walk of Barcelona

Oct 20-21. www.euro-senders.com/internacional
If you're a fan of walking and hiking, sign up for this annual event that features various routes covering 20km, 30km and 40km. It's open to all, non-competitive and has an international ambience.

COOKING WORKSHOP

Halloween sweets workshop

Museu de la Xocolata (Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 4pm-7pm. 60€. Advance reservation necessary. www.museumxocolata.cat/?lang=en
Get ready for trick-or-treaters with this workshop for adults that shows participants how to make a range of Halloween sweets. In Spanish and Catalan.

HUMAN TOWERS

Castells at the Festes del barri de Sant Antoni de Barcelona

(Calàbria, 66). M: Rocafort (L1), Sant Antoni (L2). 6pm. www.cccc.cat/home
Two local casteller groups take part in this neighbourhood festival, where they'll display how they build their incredible human towers.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€. Enjoy an afternoon concert in a historical location as well as an afternoon snack (served before the concert) and museum visit.

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Tue 2.

FAMILY

Disseny en família

Museu del Disseny (Edifici Disseny Hub Barcelona, Pl. de les Glòries Catalanes, 37-38). M: Glòries (L1). Sun 11am-6pm. ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museudeldisseny/en/
This is the second edition of this festival for families with children up to 12 years old. Come and take part in workshops, listen to stories, watch short films, and play building and memory games, among other activities.
Family activities at the Zoo Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). See Sat 6.

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SUNDAY

FOOTBALL

La Liga: FC Barcelona vs. Sevilla FC

Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). Date and time tbc. www.fcbarcelona.cat
The team from the south of Spain visits the Camp Nou to face the Barcelona stars.

FAMILY

Contes per minuts

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 12.30pm-1.20pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.
Why is the sea salty? Where do pearls come from? Who are the water women? Find out in this show of traditional tales and songs based on stories and questions that kids often ask. For children aged three and above.

A vessel in the laboratory

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Third Sunday of the month. 11.30am, 12.45pm. 4.50€. <http://mmb.cat/en/>
One-hour activity for children aged 8 to 12. This workshop sees participants discover two items from the museum and the techniques used to restore them.

YOUNG MUSICIANS

Musical residencies at La Pedrera

(Pg. de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); Provença (FGC). 6pm. 13€. Kicking off this year's season at La Pedrera that supports up-and-coming musicians, pianist Marta Puig performs duets by composers Pergolesi, Cassadó, Olm and Stravinsky with guest violinist Federico Piccotti.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 7.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Banda Municipal de Barcelona: Tchaikovsky's 'Romeo and Juliette'

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). 6pm. 12€, 16€. www.auditori.cat/en/home
The city's municipal band launches its new season with this concert at L'Auditori and a programme that includes the overture from Tchaikovsky's 'Romeo and Juliette' as well as pieces by Alfred Reed, André Waignein and Salvador Brotons.

HUMAN TOWERS

XXVI Diada dels Castellers de Sants a Barcelona

(Plaça de Bonet i Muixi). M: Plaça de Sants (L1, L5). Noon. www.cccc.cat/home
Three casteller groups take part in the 26th day of human towers in the neighbourhood of Sants.

FILM - DANCE

Mata Hari

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. 6€. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>
Watch a screening of this ballet inspired by the life of Mata Hari performed by members of the National Ballet of the Netherlands.

TOURS

Fàbrica del Anís del Mono

(Eduard Maristany, 115. Badalona). M: Pep Ventura (L2). 10am, noon. 6€. Advance reservation necessary – tel. 93 384 1750. www.museudebadalona.cat/en/
Founded in 1870, this factory in the neighbouring city of Badalona is where the popular local aniseed-based Anís del Mono liquor is made. Take a tour to see the original distillation room and various Modernista features, while you can also learn about the production process of various drinks brewed there.

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MONDAY

JAZZ

Jamboree Jam Session

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Mon 8pm. 5€ (box office). 4€ (online in advance). More info at: www.masimas.com/en/jamboree.
Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

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TUESDAY

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 9, 11, 16, 23, 25, 30. 9pm. 20€.

Joan Benejam presents 'Fandango', a journey through the history of Spanish guitar, while you enjoy a glass of wine.

TOURS

Catalan Parliament

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). The Catalan parliamentary institution is one of the oldest in the world; today it's composed of a single house with 135 members. Take a 45-minute tour with an expert guide who explains the building's history and Parliament's functions.

FILM

Cinema and emotions: The Lord of the Flies

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. 6€. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>
Continuing its series of films that provoke intense emotions, this evening CaixaForum screens The Lord of the Flies, Peter Brook's take on the eponymous novel by William Golding about what happens when a group of boys find themselves on an island with no adults. In English with Spanish subtitles.

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WEDNESDAY

FOOTBALL

Champions League: FC Barcelona vs. Inter de Milan

Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). 9pm. www.fcbarcelona.cat
FC Barcelona take on the Italian side in the group stage of this year's Champions League.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

20è Festival Mil-lenni: Martha Reeves & The Vandellas

Sala Barts (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 9pm. 28€-38€. Singer Martha Reeves and her group The Vandellas are

renowned as one of the most popular and successful groups on the iconic Motown label.

Festival Victoria de los Ángeles

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 8pm. 20€, 60€. www.santpaubarcelona.org/en
New Zealand baritone Julien Van Mellaerts is a renowned lied performer and he performs at this festival dedicated to the genre alongside pianist Simon Leppert with a programme full of tradition.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Arcadi Volodos

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8.30pm. 20€-82€. Acclaimed Russian pianist Arcadi Volodos performs an extensive recital featuring works by Schubert, Rachmaninoff and Scriabin.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Oct 9, 14, 16, 18, 24. 9pm. From 19€. Pedro J. González performs a recital of flamenco guitar music featuring work by masters including Manuel de Falla and Niño Miguel.

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THURSDAY

FILM FESTIVAL

In-Edit Barcelona

Various venues. Oct 25-Nov 4. Much-loved by both music and film fans, this festival is dedicated to music documentaries both recent and from decades past that go behind the stories of well-known and unfamiliar performers. On this year's programme, which is as eclectic as ever, those on screen include George Michael, The Slits and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

Day by day

ARTS FESTIVAL

The Influencers 2018 **FREE**
CCCB (Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC), Universitat (L1, L2). Oct 25-27. www.cccb.org
The CCCB hosts the 14th edition of this festival dedicated to the lesser-known areas of contemporary art, guerrilla communication and new digital cultures; the programme includes talks, workshops and screenings.

OPERA

Cecilia Bartoli: Rossini's 'La Cenerentola' **i**
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 35€-200€. It's 20 years since world-renowned mezzo-soprano Cecilia Bartoli first took on the title role in Rossini's piece 'La Cenerentola' (based on the story of Cinderella), and here she reprises it as she heads up what promises to be a singular night of opera.

Opera at Palau Dalmaes
(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). See Thu 4.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Menja't el museu: Terror a CosmaCaixa
CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. 8pm. 18€. <https://cosmocaixa.es/es/home>
CosmoCaixa hosts this session for adults that combines learning and food to give participants the chance to focus on a particular part of the museum's collection before enjoying a specially created tasting menu. In Catalan.

Opera at Palau Dalmaes
(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). See Thu 4.

GASTRONOMY

El mar va a la muntanya
Restaurant Norai (Museu Marítim de Barcelona: Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). 9pm. 30€. Prior reservation necessary: reserves@norai.org. <http://mmb.cat/en/>
Discover local produce at this activity featuring dishes that incorporate both seafood and

meat, such as meatballs with cuttlefish and sausage with prawns.

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FRIDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

50 Festival Internacional de Jazz de Barcelona: Chuchó Valdés - Jazz Batá **i**
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9.30pm. From 18€. One of the most important jazz festivals on the international scene, this year the Barcelona event marks its half-century with a prestigious line-up performing from today until mid-December. The inaugural concert features pianist Chuchó Valdés who revisits one of his most important projects, Jazz Batá, which he first recorded back in 1972.

INDIE ROCK

Kodaline
Sala Razzmatazz (Pamplona, 88). M: Bogatell (L4), Marina (L1). Time tbc. 28€. www.livenation.es
Irish indie rockers Kodaline return to Barcelona (where they filmed the video for their single 'Follow Your Fire', released in March this year) as part of their latest European tour.

ELECTRONIC MUSIC

Polo & Pan
Razzmatazz 2 (Pamplona, 88). M: Bogatell (L4), Marina (L1). Time tbc. 28€. www.livenation.es
French electronic duo Polo & Pan (Polocorp and Peter Pan) perform their optimistic, imaginative and fun sound.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM **BUY**
(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€. The Room 69 foursome perform blues, country and swing, while you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine **BUY**
Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 12, 19, 26. 7pm. 20€. Barcelona Duo de Guitarra perform a candlelit concert entitled 'Carmen', as you enjoy a glass of wine as well as the music.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops **BUY**
(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 5.

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SATURDAY

ARCHITECTURE FESTIVAL

48H Open House Barcelona **FREE**
Various venues. Oct 27, 28. Check website for times. www.openhousebarcelona.org
Discover the range and singularity of Barcelona's architecture with this weekend that opens the doors of numerous buildings around the city and in nearby municipalities to the public. Former factories and prisons, cultural centres, historic houses and markets are among the places that can be visited. Note that advance reservations are necessary for certain venues and in some places you may have to queue.

Guided tours of the Pavelló Mies Van der Rohe **FREE**
Pavelló Mies van der Rohe (Avda. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 27-28: 11am, noon, 1pm, 4pm, 5pm. <http://miesbcn.com/>
As part of the 48H Open House Barcelona event, the Modernist Mies Van der Rohe Pavillion offers tours that let you discover the story behind its stunning design.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween at Poble Espanyol **i**
(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 27-28. 11am-6pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free. Poble Espanyol once again marks the spookiest time of year with these two days of scary fun for all the family. As well as the traditional passage of terror, there are costume competitions, kids' workshops and lots more activities.

SUPPER AND SHOWCOOKING

Supper of terror Museu de la Xocolata
(Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 9pm. 40€. Advance reservation necessary. www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en
This workshop combines gastronomy and culture, giving diners the chance to interact with the chef as they prepare the supper, which tonight is inspired by famous scary films, books and TV series. In Spanish and Catalan.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

50 Festival Internacional de Jazz de Barcelona: Grupo Compay Segundo **i**
Sala Barts (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 9pm. From 18€. See a tribute to one of the greats of Cuban music, Compay Segundo, led by his son Salvador Repilado and featuring eight top performers from the island.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM **BUY**
(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€. Enjoy an afternoon concert in a historical location as well as an afternoon snack (served before the concert) and museum visit.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Magic nights at Casa Batlló
(Passeig de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Mon 1.

TECHNO

Techno session
Moog (Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3). See Fri 7.

TRADITIONS

Sardanes **FREE**
(Pla de la Seu). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; Sun 11.15am. Catalonia's national dance is performed in front of the cathedral every weekend.

FAMILY

Boatyards, galleons and Patapum! **FREE**
Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). 10am-2pm. <http://mmb.cat/en/>
Barcelona's Maritime Museum holds its first festival for children, with workshops, activities, dramatised visits and the presentation of 'Patapum!', a new bulletin for children all about maritime culture.

Family activities at the Zoo

Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). See Sat 6. 3D Planetarium and activities for kids CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. See Sat 6.

FAMILY FILM

Kids' cinema season
CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 11.30am. €4. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>
CaixaForum continues its season of films for children from around the world. Today it's Mary Poppins (1964), the ever-popular movie starring Julie Andrews as the eponymous, invincible nanny. Dubbed in Spanish.

TOURS

Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection **FREE**
(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 6.

SAILING TRIPS

Barcelona port: past, present and future
Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7. Barcelona from the sea Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine **BUY**
Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 6, 13, 18, 27. 9pm. 20€. Barcelona Duo de Guitarra perform a candlelit concert entitled 'Carmen', as you enjoy a glass of wine.

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar **BUY**
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 39€, 45€. Barcelona 4 Guitars give an expert recital of Spanish guitar in the modernista concert-hall.

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SUNDAY

FOOTBALL

La Liga: FC Barcelona vs. Real Madrid
Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). Date and time tbc. www.fcbarcelona.cat
The first El Clásico of the season takes place this weekend at the Camp Nou. An unmissable sporting event!

DRAWING FESTIVAL

Big Draw, la Festa del Dibuix

Various venues. 11am-7pm (exterior spaces until 6pm). www.barcelona.cat/bigdraw
Created by the Museu Picasso de Barcelona, this festival dedicated to the world of drawing gets bigger every year and the institutions taking part in this edition are the Fundació Joan Miró, MACBA, the Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, the Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona and, for the first time, the Museu del Disseny, while numerous outdoor spaces also host events. Artists, illustrators, architects and designers, among others, organise workshops for anyone who wants to try their hand at different styles and approaches to drawing.

FAMILY

Travel to the bottom of the sea in a bathyscaphe
Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Fourth Sunday of the month. 11.30am, 12.45pm. Adults: 4€. Children: 2.50€. <http://mmb.cat/en/>
Discover what life is like under the water with this simulated trip that shows different animals living in the sea, including turtles, dolphins, sardines and sea urchins. For children 3 and above.

Les músiques del món
Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Noon. 11€. www.palaumusica.cat/en
Take a journey through the music of the world. For kids aged six and above.

3D Planetarium and activities for kids
CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. See Sat 6.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

50 Festival Internacional de Jazz de Barcelona: Tribalistas **i**
Auditori del Fòrum (Plaça de Willy Brandt, 11-14). M: El Maresme / Fòrum (L4). 8pm. From 35€. Performing for the first time

in Barcelona is this trio of renowned Brazilian musicians: Arnaldo Antunes, Carlinhos Brown and Marisa Monte. They're touring for the first time, following the release last year of their second album.

OPERA - FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco **BUY**
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 14.

FILM - DANCE

Dance & Quartet: Heinz Spoerli
CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. €4. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>
At this evening's screening of a dance performance, see three three pieces created by choreography Heinz Spoerli based on string quartet music and featuring dancers of the Ballet de Zurich and the Hagen Quartet.

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria
(Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Tue 2.

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express
L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Tue 2.

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MONDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

50 Festival Internacional de Jazz de Barcelona: Billy Childs Quartet **i**
Conservatori del Liceu (Nou de la Rambla, 88). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 8.30pm. 33€. Pianist Billy Childs is a jazz great, even if his name isn't as well-known as some of his

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contemporaries. Winner of five Grammy awards, he's collaborated with classical musicians such as Yo-Yo Ma, jazz artists including Chris Botti and Freddie Hubbard, and pop stars like Sting. Here he presents his latest album, Rebirth.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar **BUY**

Basilica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). 9pm. From 19€. Luis Robisco performs a selection of classic Spanish guitar tunes, highlighting the beauty of this traditional form of music.

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TUESDAY 30

FILM

Cinema and emotions: Shane

CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. €4. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>

Continuing its series of films that provoke intense emotions, this evening CaixaForum screens Shane, a classic western released in 1953 and starring Alan Ladd as the titular gunfighter. In English with Spanish subtitles.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine **BUY**

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Oct 9, 11, 16, 23, 25, 30. 9pm. 20€.

Joan Benejam presents 'Fandango', a journey through the history of Spanish guitar, while you enjoy a glass of wine.

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WEDNESDAY

HALLOWEEN

Halloween at PortAventura Park **BUY**

(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas.

Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). T. 902 20 22 20. Train: Port Aventura (line R16 from Sants-Estació or Passeig de Gràcia; renfe.es). See Wed 3.

INDIE ROCK

Nothing But Thieves

Sala Bikini (L'illa Diagonal: Av. Diagonal, 547). M: Maria Cristina (L3). 9pm. 26€. www.livenation.es

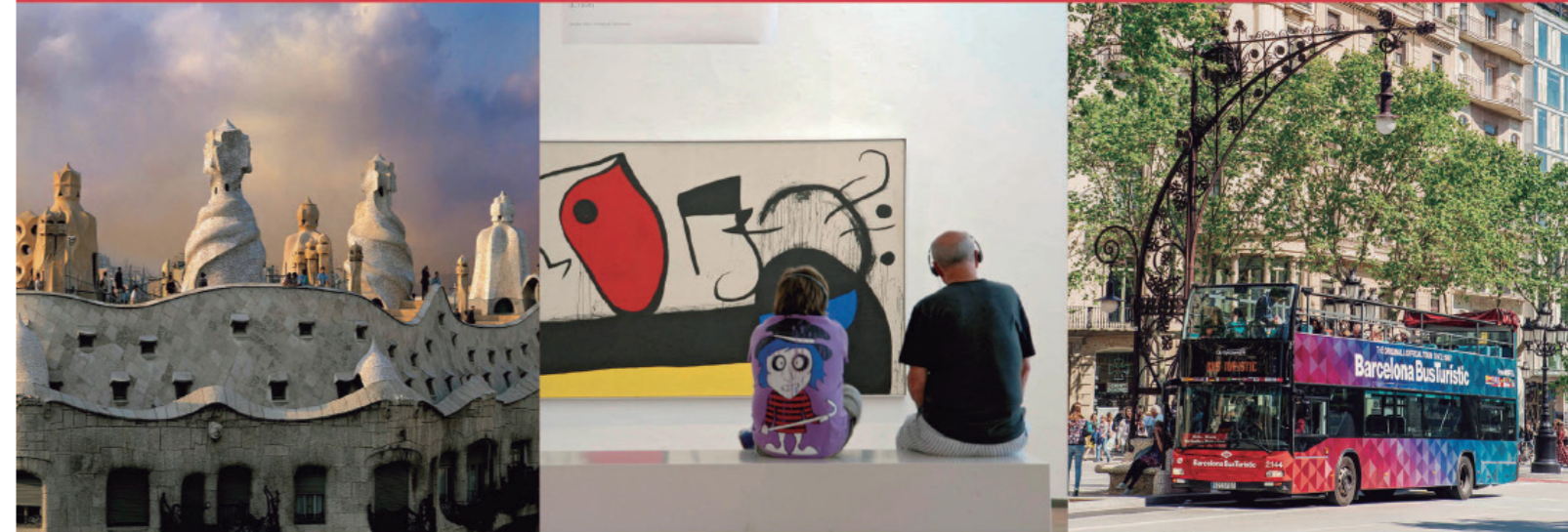
The British indie and alt-rock band formed back in 2012 and have supported groups including Muse and Arcade Fire. Last year they released their second album, Broken Machine.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala **BUY**

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 7.

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