

# Monthly Agenda

## September

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Correfocs La Mercè © Francesc Meseguer



# Welcome to Barcelona

It's that time of year again, when a back-to-school September feeling is matched by the start of a certain freshness in the air. In Barcelona, peak beach season is drawing to a close and the city's attention is turning once more towards other activities such as visiting museums and art galleries, enjoying live performances, celebrating local culture and traditions (this month sees Barcelona go all out to mark the feast day of its co-patron saint, La Mercè), and relishing all that this open, diverse, unique and unforgettable place has to offer.



Gegants. La Mercè © Pep Herrero

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# Highlights

## Barcelona's Festa Major La Mercè

For many Barcelona residents, the main highlight of September is the festivities that accompany the feast day of [La Mercè](#), one of the city's co-patron saints. With summer holidays coming to an end and temperatures very gradually cooling, these four days of fun towards the end of the month make it much easier to return to day-to-day life. Since 1902 the day of La Mare de Deu de la Mercè on September 24 has been celebrated as Barcelona's *festa major* (lit. main festival, and nowadays there's a packed programme of free events and activities for all that begins on September 21). La Mercè, as it's commonly known, is an enticing mix of tradition and modernity. That means that on the one hand you can enjoy typical Catalan cultural customs such as the *correfoc* (a 'fire run' that sees participants dress up as devils carrying sticks with fireworks spinning on the top of them; bold, and well-protected, members of the public dance alongside them in the midst of the sparks, smoke and explosions), *castellers* (the human tower makers who clamber onto each other's shoulders as they try to build the tallest 'castle' possible), and parades of *gegants* (giants) and *capgrossos* (big heads), which in reality are large-scale papier mâché figures that represent historical characters and fantastical creatures. And on the other, the extensive BAM music festival that offers free concerts across the city, family-friendly activities, and a wide-ranging fair of local associations that fills Plaça Catalunya. Ciutadella Park is the scene for theatre and dance as well as art, music and other culture from this year's guest city of Lisbon. And to top it all off in style, fireworks displays are held on several evenings of the festival, a tribute of colour, noise and light to one of Barcelona's most important women.

Castells. La Mercè © Pep Herrero



## Making the most of culture in Barcelona

Barcelona's credentials as a city of culture are scarcely in doubt. Every day of the year there's a spectrum of fascinating art shows to visit, and every evening performances of classical music and dance to savour. This month alone, for example, the exhibitions include: ['Gala Salvador Dalí'](#) at the **Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya**, an intriguing exploration of the wife and muse of one of the most famous artists of the 20th century, featuring almost 200 artworks from around the world (until Oct 14); two very different looks at the life and work of Pablo Picasso at the **Museu Picasso** with ['Picasso's Kitchen'](#), which examines the role of food and cooking in his creations and influences (until Sep 30), and ['Picasso Discovers Paris'](#), which details the Impressionist and Symbolist pieces the Spanish painter encountered on his first trips to the French capital (from Sep 18); at **CaixaForum**, a collection of pieces loaned by the British Museum make up ['Pharaoh, King of Egypt'](#) and allow for an examination of the ideals, symbolism and ideology of the leaders of Ancient Egypt as well as the realities of daily life there (until Sep 16); and the **Fundación Mapfre** hosts an extensive retrospective (the first in Spain) of the work of Japanese photographer **Shomei Tomatsu** (1930-2012) who captured life in his native country during a large part of the last century (until Sep 16). New seasons of classical music kick off this month at two of Barcelona's leading concert halls: at the **Palau de la Música Catalana**, renowned Venezuelan conductor **Gustavo Dudamel** leads the **Mahler Chamber Orchestra** over two consecutive nights with a programme that features the music of Brahms, Mahler and Schubert (Sep 18, 19); and at **L'Auditori**, Japanese conductor **Kazushi Ono** accompanies the **Orquestra Simfònica de Barcelona i Nacional de Catalunya** as it opens its 2018-2019 season with three performances of Mahler's 'Fifth Symphony' (Sep 28-30). For dance fans, the **Liceu Opera House** is the place to be this month as it's the setting for two special dance events. The first is the [IBStage Galas](#), which see lead ballerinas from the world's best companies take to the stage with up-and-coming dancers who have completed this year's IBStage summer training programme (Sep 1, 2) at the Gran Teatre del Liceu. And in the middle of the month, the **Spanish National Dance Company** returns to Barcelona at Gran Teatre del Liceu with a 19th-century classic, [Don Quixote](#), which has been touring the country since 2015 and includes a personal and contemporary vision from artistic director José Carlos Martínez (Sep 14-17). Barcelona's most specialised dance venue, the **Mercat de les Flors**, start its new season right at the end of the month with a visit from **Oona Doherty and her solo piece 'Hope Hunting'** (Sep 30). To really take advantage of this expansive cultural programme, get a [Barcelona Card](#). This city card, available at any tourist information office including at the airport and Sants train station, combines free and reduced entry to many museums and other venues, free travel on public transport, discounts at over 70 cultural activities and many other unmissable advantages.

## Cheers! Sample local food and wine

Across Catalonia this month, tractors bearing trailers loaded down with white and black grapes are a common sight. It's *verema* (grape harvest) time, and with wines and cavas from this area becoming increasingly acclaimed, plus it being home to a distinctive gastronomic culture, what better moment to take advantage of the food and wine experiences on offer? Within Barcelona, you can combine a trip to the top of the **Columbus Monument** (for amazing [views across the city and sea](#)) with a **wine tasting** in the dedicated space at the foot of the landmark; among the products to sample is a specially chosen, and regularly changing, [Wine of the Week](#) that's available to buy at discount. For even more wine tasting, this month sees the **Mostra de Vins i Caves de Catalunya** held during the festivities of La Mercè. Featuring producers from all of Catalonia's wine regions (many of which have been awarded DO, or protected designation of origin, status), this is a great chance to sample a variety of local whites, reds, rosés and cavas (Sep 21-24). If you prefer, you can combine your gastronomic exploration with a guided tour thanks to the [Barcelona Walking Tours Gourmet](#); it takes you to some of the city's most interesting and appetising spots, such as the Santa Caterina market and speciality shops in the Gothic Quarter, where you can sample products including chocolate, cured sausages, and dried fruits and nuts.

Head out of the city for dedicated tours of particular **wineries** such as **Bodegues Sumarroca**, **Família Torres**, **Can Calopa** or **Can Bas Domini Vinícola** with the [Barcelona Food and Wine Experiences programme](#). Alternatively, take the [Catalunya Bus Turístic Wine & Cava tour](#), which in one day visits three of the top wineries in the nearby **DO Penedès** area; at **Bodegas Jean Leon**, **Bodegas Torres** and **Cavas Freixenet** see how wine and cava are made then try the finished products along with local cheeses and other delicious treats. Another option for getting an in-depth look at Catalan cavas is with [La Verema del Cava](#), where a group of 11 Penedès producers including Codorniu, Sumarroca and Llopart give you the chance to see their grapes being harvested, take bike tours through the vineyards, and enjoy al fresco suppers, among other activities on offer (until Sep 30). To find out more about activities, click [here](#). A different kind of celebration is ['La Festa de la Fil·loxera'](#), that sees towns recall how they overcame the terrible effects of the phylloxera plague that ravaged many local vines at the end of the 19th century (Sep-Oct). Finally, just up the coast from Barcelona, the **DO Alella** region hosts **Vi+**, a festival dedicated to wine with activities including tastings, workshops and cultural events (Sep 30-Nov 1).

Sumarroca winery



Mercat de Música Viva de Vic

## Close to Barcelona

If you're looking to explore a little further afield this month, here are two Catalan **music festivals** worth checking out, both of which are celebrating their 30th anniversaries in 2018. First is [Altaveu](#), which takes place in the nearby town of **Sant Boi de Llobregat**. The festival gives you the chance to hear both local and international performers, who play in a variety of venues in the town, and there are also family activities and related cultural events taking place (Sep 7-9). The following week, the central Catalan town of Vic plays host to its **Mercat de Música Viva de Vic** (Live Music Market), another long-running event that's aimed at both music industry professionals from across the world and the general public as a place to discover new acts. The main focus is on Catalan, Spanish and Mediterranean performers, although not exclusively so, and all genres are welcome. This year over 70 artists take part and many of the concerts are held in outdoor venues including the majestic Plaça Major main square (Sep 12-16). As with Sant Boi, Vic is an interesting place to see with a rich history to explore, different museums, and a popular selection of local gourmet specialities such as cured meats.

By the end of the month, **Port Aventura Park** welcomes Halloween. From Sep 22 to 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!



# 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. [caixaforum.es/es\\_ES/barcelona/home](http://caixaforum.es/es_ES/barcelona/home)

### Pharaoh – king of Egypt

Until Sep 16. Featuring a series of objects from the British Museum, this exhibition explores the ideals, symbolism and ideology of the Egyptian pharaohs, as well as the reality of life in the Nile Valley.

### Nobel tours

FREE

Until Sep 2. Photographer Kim Manresa and journalist Xavi Ayén present portraits of 23 winners of the Nobel Prize for Literature.

### 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.

## Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-8pm. Sep 24, first Sunday of month and other Sundays after 3pm, free. [www.ajuntament.barcelona.cat/castelldemontjuic/en](http://www.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.

### Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia and the educational revolution

Until Sep 2. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia (1859-1909) was a pioneer in educational methods who helped to modernise Catalan teaching practices, which are now used across the world.

### Lost memory

Until Sep 11. 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; check website for La Mercè open day. [www.cccb.org/en/](http://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.

## CosmoCaixa

BUY

(Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Daily 10am-8pm. [www.cosmocaixa.com](http://www.cosmocaixa.com)

### Robots. Humans and machines



The Flooded Forest. Cosmocaixa



Black light at CCCB © Galerie de France. Centre Pompidou

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. 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). Sep 11 and 24, Sunday 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month all day, free. <http://elbornculturaimemoria.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

From Sep 27. This new 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. Sep 22, free. <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](http://www.lapedrera.com/en)

### Obres obertes

Sep 28-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, bring life to artworks and invite spectators to emerge from their passivity.

## 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/](http://www.fmirobcn.org/en/)

### Joan Miró. Collection

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

### Espai 13: I am vertical

Until Sep 11. Swedish visual artists Lisa Gideonsson and Gustaf Londré have worked together since 2009; here they present a project that explores the idea of verticality and the effects we can experience at very high altitudes.

### Photography in the Foyer: La Ricarda – two views

Until Sep 30. Exploration of house that's an emblem of 1960s architecture in Barcelona.

### Kader Attia. Scars remind us that our past is real

Until Sep 30. Exhibition focused on French-Algerian

artist Kader Attia, winner of the latest edition of the Joan Miró Prize. The pieces on show were selected by Attia himself and look at the notion of repair.

## 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/](http://www.fundaciosunol.org/en/)

### Patricio Vélaz. The shapes of time

Until Sep 8. Large body of work by Ecuadorian artist Patricio Vélaz that includes engravings, drawings, paintings and photos.

### Acte 39: Antoni Abad. mesura X mesura

Until Sep 8. Project in the Nivell Zero space featuring art created by Abad since 1990.

### Daniel G. Andújar. The disasters of war

Until Sep 15. Visual protest against violence and a fresh take on how conflict is reflected.

## Fundació Vila Casas - Espais Volart

(Ausiàs Marc, 22 ). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 11am-2pm, 5pm-8.30pm; Sun 11am-2pm. Closed Mon, public holidays and until Sep 18. [www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en](http://www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en)

### Julio González. Drawing and papers

Sep 20-Dec 20. 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

Sep 20-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

Sep 20-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 holidays and until Sep 12. [www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en](http://www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en)

### 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/](http://www.fundacionmapfre.org/fundacion/en/)

### Shomei Tomatsu

Until Sep 16. The works of Japanese photographer Shomei Tomatsu (1930-2012) create a record of life in his native country that covers six decades.

## The Gaudí Exhibition Center

BUY

Museu Diocesà (Pla de la Seu, 7). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. [www.gaudiexhibitioncenter.com](http://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 (L3), Barceloneta (L4). Daily 10am-10pm; public holidays 2pm-10pm. [www.hashmuseum.com](http://www.hashmuseum.com)

### Hemp. Back to the future

FREE

Until Sep 30. As we confront a global environmental disaster



# Museums-exhibitions



Political biogrophy. Fundació Antoni Tàpies



Salvador Dalí. Gala Placidia. Glate of the Spheres © Salvador Dalí, Fundació Gala Salvador Dalí

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. Sep 24, 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**  
(La Rambla, 99). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun, public holidays noon-8pm.  
<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/lavirreina/en>

**Dame Pank y Dime Tonto**  
Until Sep 30. 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 Sep 30. Spanish artist Mar Arza questions certainties used to frame interpretations of art, knowledge and images.

**‘Creative’ photography in Catalonia (1973-1982)**  
Until Sep 30. This exhibition looks at the rise of a generation of photographers who demanded 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**  
(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). Sep 24 and Sat 4pm-8pm, free.  
[www.macba.cat/en/index](http://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.

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

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

**Domènec. Not here, not anywhere**  
Until Sep 11. The work of Catalan artist Domènec from the late '90s to the present day is featured in this solo show.

**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.

**MUHBA El Call**  
(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 Guarda). M: Vallcarca (L3). Daily 8am-8.30pm. The Casa de la Guarda is part of the visit to the Conjunt 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/](http://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**  
(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**  
(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](mailto: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**  
(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**  
(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**  
(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 Collserola park, which was converted into a residential home in the 19th century.

**Museu de Badalona**  
(Pl. Assemblea de Catalunya, 1. Badalona). M: Badalona Pompeu Fabra (L2). Tue-Sat 10am-2pm, 5pm-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2pm. Closed Mon and Sep 11.  
[www.museudebadalona.cat/en](http://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**  
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.

**Shops of the past**  
Until Sep 9 (Tue-Sat 5pm-8pm, Sun 10am-2pm). An exploration of traditional commerce in Badalona, looking at themes such as the way produce was displayed and how people shopped in the days before department and chain stores.

**Museu de Montserrat**  
(Abadia de Montserrat. 08199 Montserrat). FGC from Pl. Espanya (R5 line). Station: Monistrol de Montserrat + zip train.  
Until Sep 11: daily 10am-6.45pm; from Sep 12: Mon-Fri 10am-5.45pm; weekends

10am-6.45pm.  
[www.museudemontserrat.com/en/index.html](http://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'Eròtica de Barcelona**  
(La Rambla, 96, bis). M: Liceu (L3), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-midnight.  
[www.erotica-museum.com/en/](http://www.erotica-museum.com/en/)

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

**Museu de la Música**  
L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Tue, Wed, Fri 10am-6pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sat, Sun 10am-7pm. Closed Mon and Sep 11. Sep 23 and 24, first Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free.  
[ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museumusica/en](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 inspired in his work by different musical styles.

**Museu de la Xocolata**  
Antic Convent de Sant Agustí (Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Until Sep 15: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays (incl Sep



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11) 10am-3pm; from Sep 16 Mon-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays (incl Sep 24) 10am-3pm.  
[www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en](http://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). Sep 24, Sundays from 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month, all day, free.  
<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museudeldisseny/en/>

## 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

Estadi FCB (Aristides Maillol, s/n. Gates 7 and 9). M: Les Corts (L3). Daily 9.30am-7.30pm. Some areas closed and opening hours reduced on match days.  
[www.fcbarcelona.com](http://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

(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/](http://www.mmbcn.cat/en/)

## Permanent exhibition

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

## Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona

(Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sep 24, 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'.

## Oceans, the last wild territory

Until Sep 24. Take an audiovisual trip through the deep sea with images taken from the Oceans documentary, made using 480 hours of footage. A highlight is a large screen that gives you a sense of immersion in the water.

## Nasevo. Science and fragrances

Until Sep 2. This exhibition shows the scientific and creative process of a multisensory artist who brings together colour and smell through the NAS object.

## Museu Egipci de Barcelona

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Until Sep 11: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm; from Sep 12: Mon-Fri 10am-2pm, 4pm-8pm; Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm.  
[www.museuegipci.com/en/](http://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, explaining 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). Sep 24, first Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free.  
<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home>

## Selfie. The mask of society

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 much 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. Sep 24, first Sunday of month and other Sundays from 4pm, free  
<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home>

## The faces of Barcelona

This key exhibition 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

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon.  
[www.meam.es/en/](http://www.meam.es/en/)

## Contemporary figurative art of the 21st century

Permanent exhibition of nearly 300 paintings and 80 sculptures.

## Hoki Museum Japanese painters at the MEAM

Sep 21-Nov 30. The MEAM has signed an agreement with the Hoki Museum in Tokyo, the first museum in the country to focus on Realism, and a selection of works by leading Japanese artists from the Tokyo museum are shown in this exhibition.

## 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). Sep 24, first Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free.  
[w110.bcn.cat/museufredericmares/eng](http://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-16th century sculpture.

## The gardens of the museum

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



Do you work or design? Museu del Disseny de Barcelona



The realist painters of Japan. Museu Europeu d'Art Modern

## Museu Marítim de Barcelona

(Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. Sep 23 and 24, Sundays from 3pm, free.  
<http://mmb.cat/en/>

## Antoni Benaiges, the teacher who promised the sea

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.

## 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.

## Port, border territory

Until Sep 25. This exhibition covers the history of the neighbourhoods of Barcelona that adjoin the port between 1900 and 1992. 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

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public hols incl Sep 24). Sep 11, Saturdays from 3pm, and first Sunday of every month, free.  
[www.museunacional.cat/en](http://www.museunacional.cat/en)

## Permanent exhibition

Most important collection of painted Romanic murals

and Catalan modernisme in the world. In addition, the Museu Nacional has 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 Jul 6-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 from around the world create a portrait of her complex and fascinating character.

## Museu Olímpic i de l'Esport Joan Antoni Samaranch

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sep 24, free.  
[www.museuolimpicbcn.cat/eng/home.asp](http://www.museuolimpicbcn.cat/eng/home.asp)

## Centenary Club: Reial Club de Polo de Barcelona

Until Sep 16. Marking 100 years since the creation of the city's polo club, the museum shows a series of photos that portray this historical sporting institution.

## 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.



# Museums-exhibitions

## 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, Sep 24 and first Sunday of month all day, free entry.  
[www.museupicasso.bcn.cat/en](http://www.museupicasso.bcn.cat/en)

## Permanent exhibition

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

## Picasso's Kitchen

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

## Picasso discovers Paris

Sep 18-Jan 6, 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). Sep 11 and 24 and first Sunday of month, free.  
[www.palauguell.cat/en](http://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. To mark the centenary of his death, 1918-2018

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

## 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>

## May 1968; photographs of 'France Soir'

Until Sep 11. A look back to France 50 years ago and the wave of social action that included demonstrations, general strikes and the occupation of unis and factories as captured by a leading national newspaper.

## Why? Carme Solé Vendrell

Until Sep 11. See the work of Carme Solé Vendrell, an illustrator of children's books who is celebrating the 50th anniversary of her career.

## 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

Sep 7-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)

Sep 20-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.

## Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes

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

10am-5pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm; Sep 11 and 24 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. Sep 24, Sundays from 3pm, and first Sunday of month, all day, free.  
<http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

## Divine murals. Sant Miquel Chapel

Permanent 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.

# Music

## CONCERT VENUES

## L'Auditori

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

## Gran Teatre del Liceu

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

## Palau de la Música Catalana

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

## Jamboree

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

## Moog

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

## Palau Sant Jordi + Sant Jordi Club

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

## Sala Barts + Barts Club

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

## Sala Apolo + La [2] de Apolo

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

## Sala Razzmatazz

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

## SINGULAR 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 Dalmases

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

## Esglesia de Santa Anna

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

## Santa Maria del Pi

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

## OTHER SHOWS

## La Bodega Flamenca

(Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguer (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

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

## Sala Tarantos

(Plaça Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Daily 7.30pm, 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm. Live flamenco show in central venue.

## Tablao de Carmen

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

## Tablao Cordobés

(La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 5pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (shows start later). Authentic tablao at the heart of the city for tapas, drink and meal plus flamenco show. This month's stars include Miguel el Rubio (Sep 1-30), Karime Amaya (1-6, 8-20, 22-30) and Belén López (1-6, 8-20). In addition, in September the Tablao hosts two special flamenco shows at the Palau de la Música Catalana: **Carmen, Carmen, Carmen** (Fri 7; 9pm) and **Vivir Flamenco** (Fri 21; 9pm). (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L4).

## Opera y Flamenco

Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L4). 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.

Gustavo Dudamel at Palau de Música Catalana



May 1968: photographs of 'France Soir'. © Bernat Armangué. Palau Robert





# Theatre



Là. Teatre Lliure. © François Passerini

**Teatre Gaudí Barcelona**  
(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5) and Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5).  
[www.teatregaudibarcelona.com/es/](http://www.teatregaudibarcelona.com/es/)

**El futbol és així (de gai)**  
Until Sep 2. Sat 9pm; Sun 6pm. 24€. Musical theatre about football star Maxi, who arrives at his new club Mercurio FC ready to come out of the closet. But the club isn't going to make it easy for him. In Catalan.

**Teatre Lliure (Montjuïc - Sala Fabià Puigserver)**  
(Pg. Santa Madrona 40-46 / Pl Margarida Xirgu, 1). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3).  
[www.teatrelliure.com/en](http://www.teatrelliure.com/en)

**El pan y la sal**  
Sep 29, 30. Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. Theatrical telling of the case that Spanish judge Baltasar Garzón was working on, looking at crimes committed under the Franco dictatorship, before he was removed from his position in February 2012. In Spanish.

**Teatre Lliure (Gràcia)**  
(Montseny, 47). M: Fontana (L3).  
[www.teatrelliure.com/en](http://www.teatrelliure.com/en)

**Là.**  
Sep 27-Oct 14. Thu, Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm. 22€-29€. This circus and dance performance is the first part of a diptych entitled Sur la falaise and features two people and a raven.

**Teatre Poliorama**  
(La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC).  
[www.teatrepoliorama.com/es/inicio.html](http://www.teatrepoliorama.com/es/inicio.html)

**Maremar**  
From Sep 22. 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.

# Dance

**Gran Teatre del Liceu**  
(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). [www.liceubarcelona.cat/en#](http://www.liceubarcelona.cat/en#); <http://ibstage.org>

**IBStage Galas**  
Sep 1,2. Sat 8.30pm; Sun 6pm. 15€-90€. IBStage marks its 10th anniversary with these two performances featuring lead dancers from the world's most prestigious companies and a corps de ballet of over 100 young dancers; together they dance classical and contemporary choreographies that highlight their talent and artistic qualities.

**Don Quixote**  
Sep 14 – 17. Check website for times. 10€-173€. Compañía

Nacional de Danza is back with a 19th-century classic, re-choreographed by J. Carlos Martínez, the CND's current director.

**Mercat de les Flors**  
(Lleida, 59). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3).  
[www.mercatflors.cat/en/](http://www.mercatflors.cat/en/)

**Hope hunting**  
Sep 30. 8.30pm. Based in Northern Ireland, Oona Doherty is a choreographer and performer who opens the new season at the Mercat de les Flors with this piece that combines physical theatre, social proclamation and dance.

IBStage Galas at Gran Teatre del Liceu



# Visits

## PLACES OF INTEREST

**Basílica de la Sagrada Família**  
(Mallorca, 401). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Daily 9am-8pm. From 15€. Prior reservation necessary.  
[www.sagradafamilia.org/en/](http://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: weekdays noon-7pm; weekends and holidays 11am-7pm (check website for languages). 8€/10€. Evening tours including rooftop: Thu, Fri, Sat (check website for languages) 9pm, 9.30pm; 17.50€. 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). Until Sep 15, special summer price: 4.50€; from Sep 16: 9€. Created in 1895 using funds donated by Rossend 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€.  
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). Sep 22: dramatised tour, 11am (Spa), noon (Cat). 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: Verdader (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: 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). Until Sep 15, special summer price: 7€; from Sep 16 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). Until Sep 15, special summer price 6€; from Sep 16 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: second and fourth Sun of month. Second Sunday: 11.15am (Catalan); fourth Sunday: 11.15am (Spanish).  
[www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en](http://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-7.30pm. 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). From Sep 3 (no tours Sep 1, 2): 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, Thu, Fri (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. Tue-Sun (not Sep 8, 15, 21); from 71€. For a different perspective on the city, head to Barcelona's hillside observatory for an al fresco supper under the stars, a scientific talk and a look through the historical telescope.



# Visits



Casa Rocamora. Cases Singulars

## Palau Baró de Quadras

(Av. Diagonal, 373). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Wed 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). Until Sep 15, special summer price 5€; from Sep 16 10€. This building was remodelled by Josep Puig i Cadafalch 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.palauguell.cat/en](http://www.palauguell.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 9am-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). Sep 1 7.30pm: Sefarad Dinner including welcome drink, tour of Jewish

quarter and meal of traditional Jewish food; from 71€. Guided tour only: 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). Until Sep 15, special summer price 5€; from Sep 16 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). Daily 8am-8.30pm. 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/](http://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€. [www.miesbcn.com](http://www.miesbcn.com) Symbolic work from the Modern movement, it was designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe and Lilly Reich as 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 Pharmacy Academy 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; Fri 8pm; 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€. Sep 24, free entry. 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

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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.

## The Ghost Walking Tour

(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

(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

(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.

## Walking Tours Barcelona

## Walking Tour Picasso

(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

(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), not Sep 11. 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

(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

(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Fri 3.30pm (Eng/Spa/Cat). 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 (not Sep 11, 24).

## Walking Tour Modernisme

(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 ar-

chitecture from the Catalan Art Nouveau movement of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

## Walking Tour Gourmet

(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 Sep 24. 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. [www.airedebarcelona.com](http://www.airedebarcelona.com) Indulge yourself at this luxurious spa.

## Barcelona Urban Forest

(Plaça del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Until Sep 10: daily 10am-3pm, 4pm-8pm; from Sep 11, check on website. From 11€. Fun for all ages with zip lines, bridges and six-metre-high platforms.

## Gaudí Experiència

(Larrard, 41). M: Lesseps (L3). Daily 10.30am-7pm. 9€. Interactive 4D journey through Gaudí's creativity.

## L'Aquàrium

(Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Daily 10am-9pm. 20€. The city's aquarium features a range of living creatures.

## Poble Espanyol

(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

(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: Sep 1-9 10.30am-8pm; from Sep 10 10.30am-5pm. Caribe Aquatic Park: Sep 1, 2 10.30am-7pm; Sep 3-16 10.30am-6pm; closed from Sep 17. Halloween season from Sep 22 to Nov 18.

Experience three different parks: **PortAventura Park**, that has rides, adventures and shows for everyone in six different themed areas; **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; and water fun for all ages with slides, pools and two special beaches at **Caribe Aquatic Park**. Get there direct by bus, 90 minutes from the centre of Barcelona – tickets available at tourist offices.

## Tibidabo theme park

(Pl. del Tibidabo, 3-4). Bus Tibibus (T2A) from Pl. de Catalunya. FGC: Av. Tibidabo (L7) + Bus 196 + Tibidabo Funicular. Check website for opening times. 28.50€. New and classic rides, plus amazing views across the city.

## Zoo de Barcelona

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). Until Sep 16: daily 10am-8pm; from Sep 17 daily 10am-7pm. 21.40€. Check website for activities, services and promotions. Animals large, small and all sizes in between.



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## 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€.

### Barcelona Night Tour

BUY

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Sep 16. Fri-Sun 9.30pm. From 19€.  
Make the most of the warm summer evenings in Barcelona with this 2.5-hour open-top bus tour that includes live commentary, a stop at the Magic Fountain show in Montjuïc, and the chance to see some of the city's most famous buildings lit up at night.

### 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 5.30pm-10.30pm. 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



Palau Güell



Tibidabo. Amusement Park

# Day by day

## 01

SATURDAY

### SPANISH GUITAR

#### The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

BUY

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 1, 24, 25. 9pm. 20€.

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

### NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

#### Supper under the stars at Observatori Fabra

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(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.

### DANCE

#### IBStage

Gala Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Sep 1, 2. Sat 8.30pm; Sun 6pm. 15€-90€.  
<http://ibstage.org>

IBStage is a summer dance programme for young talent from around the world, and over the past 10 years hundreds of budding artistes have passed through its doors. As always, IBStage closes its summer event with two gala performances at the iconic Liceu Opera House, featuring both students and lead dancers from some of the best international companies, and this year uses these shows to mark its special anniversary.

### 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](http://www.museunacional.cat/en)

This activity, for children aged 7 and above, involves seeking 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.

#### The hidden treasures of the Guitarts

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' exhibition 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.

#### Plat a taula

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Museu Picasso (Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). Saturdays in September. 5pm. 3€. Prior reservation necessary: [museupicasso\\_reserves@bcn.cat](mailto:museupicasso_reserves@bcn.cat).

Organised in parallel to the current exhibition 'Picasso's Kitchen', this is a family activity that includes a guided tour of the show and afterwards the chance to get creative like the great artist and decorate a table without using colours! For children aged 6 to 10.

#### Family activities at the Zoo

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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.

#### Misión, códigos secretos

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CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11. Check with museum for times.

Do you know how to encrypt secret messages? And decipher them? Those are two key skills that this workshop for children aged 7 and above will teach, using a tool based on the famous Enigma machine from the Second World War.

### CLASSICAL MUSIC

#### Classical music at the MEAM

BUY

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

Pianist Eudald Buch performs works by Brahms and Bach. Entry includes an afternoon snack (served before the concert) and museum visit.

### TOURS

#### Funeral Carriage and Hearse

FREE

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

#### Visit to archaeological site and exhibition

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El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Until Sep 2. Tue-Sun 6pm. 8.80€. Prior booking necessary: [reserveselbornccm@eicub.net](mailto:reserveselbornccm@eicub.net). This tour of 90 minutes includes a visit to the 18th-century archaeological site, where you'll discover what life was like in the city 300 years ago, and to the exhibition 'Barcelona 1700. From stones to people', which includes 2,000 objects recovered from the excavations.

#### Visit to archaeological site and vermouth

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El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Until Sep 2. Sat, Sun 12.30pm. 8.50€. Prior booking necessary: [reserveselbornccm@eicub.net](mailto:reserveselbornccm@eicub.net).

Take a one-hour tour of the 18th-century remains uncovered on this site, followed by a glass of vermouth.

## 02

SUNDAY

### NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

#### Magic nights at Casa Batlló

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(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.

### FAMILY

#### Family planetarium

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

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.

#### Kid&Cat

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Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 12.30pm-1.30pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Kid and Cat lead a show of music, song and dance that features kids' versions of hits from the 1970s and 1980s. For children three and above.



# Day by day

## 2D Planetarium: Chloe's sky

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11. Check with museum for times.

Children aged from 3 to 7 can take a trip through the stars led by a young girl called Chloe, who will help them discover all kinds of exciting and interesting things about the Sun, the Moon and the planets of our Solar System.

## DANCE

### IBStage

Gala Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Sat 1. <http://ibstage.com>

## ELECTRONIC MUSIC - BRUNCH

### Brunch in the Park

Jardines de Joan Brossa (Parc de Montjuïc).  
M: Paral·lel (L2, L3).  
Until Sep 16. Sun 1pm-10pm. From 18€.

From lunchtime until the evening, enjoy al fresco eating, excellent electronic music from top national and international DJs, activities and games for families, and more.

# 03

## MONDAY

## TOURS + VISITS

### 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/acces/visites/info/en/index.html](http://www3.parlament.cat/acces/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.

## 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](http://www.masimas.com/en/jamboree).

Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

## FAMILY

### Escape Room: Fibonacci's dream

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11. Check website for dates and times. 4€.

Take part in this activity inspired by the escape rooms which are so popular nowadays; this one uses mathematical logic as its key focus. For children aged 6 and above.

### Treasure hunt

Museu del Modernisme (Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Until the end of September. Mon-Fri 10.30am-2pm, 4pm-7pm. General entry: 10€. For adults and kids aged 12 and over.

See the unique collection of Modernista art and furniture on display from a different perspective with this treasure hunt where a keen eye is needed to decipher the challenges set. Learn more about art while having fun!

### Back to school fun: let's make slime!

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Sep 3-7. 4pm, 5.30pm. 4€.

Ahead of schools starting back in Spain on September 12, CosmoCaixa organises various workshops where participants can learn how to make different kinds of slime.

## FILM

### Pantalla Pavelló

Pavillion Mies van der Rohe (Avda. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 9.30pm.

For an al fresco cinema

event, head to this Modern-era building for a series of screenings related to the city of Rome that are projected directly onto the wall of the Pavillion. Tonight the season closes with **Le chiamavano Jeeg Robot** (2016) about a man who acquires superhuman strength and decides to use it for a life of crime.

# 04

## TUESDAY

## SPANISH GUITAR

### The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 22, 27. 9pm. 20€.

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

## FAMILY

### 3D Planetarium and activities for kids

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11, every day; from Sep 12 weekends and public holidays only. 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.

## 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: [reserveselbornccm@eicub.net](mailto:reserveselbornccm@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.

### Cloister of the Reial Monestir de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Until Sep 14. Tue and Fri 6pm-9pm. <http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

Throughout the summer months, the Royal Monastery of Pedralbes is opening its lovely, tranquil cloister for free two evenings a week. It's an excellent chance to take a break from the city and the heat in a memorable setting. Note that only the cloister will be accessible.

# 05

## WEDNESDAY

## ART EVENT

### Gala Night

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 6pm-midnight.

Running in parallel to its current exhibition 'Gala Salvador Dalí', the National Art Museum of Catalonia is hosting an evening of activities related to Dalí's wife and muse, including a 'living game' for kids aged seven and above and an open-air screening of the documentary Elena Dimitrievna Diakonova Gala (2003).

## 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/](http://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.

## FAMILY

### Bubble Planetarium

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton,

26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11, every day; from Sep 12 weekends and public holidays only. Check with museum for times.

This planetarium for children aged 5 to 8 explains facts and figures about space.

## SPANISH GUITAR

### Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6).

M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 5, 24, 26. 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 Lucia.

# 06

## THURSDAY

## NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

### Blues Nights at Poble Espanyol

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Thu until Sep 27. 9pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Reduced: 7€, 9€, 10.50€.

Poble Espanyol hosts a season of intimate blues concerts featuring some of the best local performers such as Big Mama Montse, the Tòfol Martínez Blues Band, and Sweet Marta & The Blues Shakers.

### MUHBA Refugi 307: Paral·lel and Poble Sec during the Civil War

(Start: Av. del Paral·lel 60). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 6pm-9.30pm. 8.50€. Prior booking necessary: [reservesmuhba@bcn.cat](mailto:reservesmuhba@bcn.cat). <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

This walking tour is part of a season of events related to the Spanish Civil War organised by the city's History Museum. The visit includes Refugi 307, one of Barcelona's air raid shelters,

and puts the war in the context of the surrounding area.

## SINGER-SONGWRITER

### Kina Grannis

La Nau (C/ d'Àlaba, 30). M: Bogatell (L4). Doors: 7.30pm; concert 9pm. 17€. [www.doctormusic.com](http://www.doctormusic.com)

US musician Kina Grannis presents her latest album, In The Waiting.

## FAMILY

### Toca Toca

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11, every day; from Sep 12 weekends and public holidays only. Check with museum for times.

This activity gives children (aged 5 and above) the chance to investigate a series of flora and fauna found in different parts of the planet.

## OPERA

### Opera at Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20).  
M: Jaume I (L4). Every Thu. 11pm. 25€.

La Petita Companyia Lírica de Barcelona performs in a unique historical venue.

# 07

## FRIDAY

## FAMILY

### Clik

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Sep 11, every day; from Sep 12 weekends and public holidays only. 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.

## SHOPPING

### Barcelona Genuine Shops

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Fri 3.30pm. From 25€.

[tickets.visitbarcelona.com](http://tickets.visitbarcelona.com)

Three-hour tour led by a professional guide that lets you discover some of the city's most distinctive and authentic shops.

## SPORT

### 2018 ICF Canoe Slalom World Cup Final

Parc Olímpic del Segre, La Seu d'Urgell. Coach: ALSA. Sep 7-9. [www.canoeicf.com](http://www.canoeicf.com)

See some of the exciting sporting action in the final of the Canoe Slalom World Cup which is held this year in the Catalan town of La Seu d'Urgell in the Pyrenees.

## MUSIC FESTIVAL

### Festival Altaveu

Various venues in Sant Boi de Llobregat. FGC from Plaça Espanya to Sant Boi de Llobregat (L8). Sep 7-9.

Sant Boi de Llobregat is one of Barcelona's close neighbours and the host of this annual outdoor festival which has now reached its 30th edition. Performers on the bill this year include Malian singer and guitarist Vieux Farka Touré (Fri 7, 11pm, Cal Ninyo), Menorcan singer Anna Ferrer (Fri 7, 9.30pm, Cal Ninyo) and local group Trau (Sat 8, 00.45am, Can Massallera). During the day on Saturday there are activities for families and you can also enjoy a short run of music documentaries, a record fair, an exhibition and talks.

## SPANISH GUITAR

### The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert

## and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29).

M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 7, 14, 21, 28. 7pm. 20€.

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

wine as well as the music.

## BLUES

### Blues at the MEAM

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

Crooners Agustí Burriel and Miquel Roldan perform together; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

## NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

### Modernisme Nights at Casa Amatller

(Pg. de Gràcia, 41.) M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Until Sep 21. Fri 7pm (Eng), 8pm (Spa/Cat alternating weeks). 25€. Take a dramatised tour of Casa Amatller with original owner Antoni Amatller and his daughter Teresa; includes a glass of cava.

### Jazz nights at La Pedrera

(Passeig de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Until Sep 15. Fri, Sat 8.15pm-10.30pm. 35€.

Enjoy a special evening event with a jazz concert on the roof terrace of Gaudí's La Pedrera. Entry includes a glass of cava and tour.

## 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.

## LITERATURE FESTIVAL

### 36a Setmana del Llibre en Català

(Av. de la Catedral). M: Jaume I (L4). Sep 7-16. Check website for opening times. [www.lasetmana.cat](http://www.lasetmana.cat)

The Week of Books in Catalan is one of the most important cultural events of the year in Catalonia. It promotes the well-established and wide-ranging local publishing industry, and offers the largest selection of books in Catalan



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available anywhere. As well as the extensive fair in front of the Cathedral that features numerous stalls including one with Catalan books translated into English, French, Italian and German, there's a full programme of activities for all ages, such as talks, tours and storytelling.

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SATURDAY 8

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

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

Soprano Cecília Mazzufero and pianist Gustavo Llull team up for a recital of works by Fauré, Debussy and Toldrà, among others. Entry includes an afternoon snack (served before concert) and museum visit.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 39€-45€.

Guitarist Alí Arango is an award-winning musician who's performed around the world, gaining great acclaim. Here he's joined by cellist Martín Meléndez and guitarist Josué Fonseca for a programme that includes Paco de Lucía, Manuel de Falla and Chopin.

TOURS

Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 1.

Gràcia and Casa Vicens: design, gastronomy and the most exotic Gaudí

Sep 8, 29. 11am. 13€ (without visit to Casa Vicens); 25€ (with visit to Casa Vicens). [www.iconoserveis.com/en/](http://www.iconoserveis.com/en/)

This 90-minute tour of the Gràcia neighbourhood

highlights its Modernista architecture and includes stops at bars, patisseries and shops, as well as an optional visit (extra 45 mins) to the first building that Gaudí created in the city, Casa Vicens.

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SUNDAY

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 9, 16, 23, 30. 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.

ELECTRONIC MUSIC - BRUNCH

Brunch in the Park

Jardines de Joan Brossa (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). See Sun 2.

FAMILY

A la voreta dels núvols

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 12.30pm-1pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Colour, movement, music and air are all part of the language used in this show for under-fours. In Catalan.

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

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 10, 12. 9pm. 39€, 45€.

Pedro J. González gives a recital of Spanish guitar in the beautiful surrounds of the Modernista Palau de la Música Catalana.

TOURS

Catalan Parliament

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

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](http://www.masimas.com/en/jamboree)

Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

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TUESDAY

TRADITIONS

La Diada Nacional

Various venues  
Today Catalonia marks its National Day in commemoration of the date in 1714 when Barcelona finally fell to Bourbon troops after a siege that lasted over a year.

HUMAN TOWERS

Castells for the Diada Nacional in El Born

(Plaça Comercial). M: Barceloneta, Jaume I (L4).

11.30am.  
[www.cccc.cat/home](http://www.cccc.cat/home)

As part of the activities planned for today to mark Catalonia's national day (La Diada), three casteller groups perform.

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The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Tue 4.

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WEDNESDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

30è Mercat de Música Viva de Vic

Various venues in the town of Vic. Renfe local train from Plaça Catalunya (R3). Sep 12-16.

Celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, this 'live music market' is aimed at both industry insiders and the general public who are looking to discover new acts and sounds from Catalonia, Spain and the southern European area. Numerous concerts are held across the city of Vic (which in itself is well worth a visit for its museums, history and local gourmet specialties) during the five days, many of which are free and some take place on an outdoor stage in the impressive Plaça Major square.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Magic nights at Casa Batlló

(Passeig de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Sun 2.

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 4.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 10, 12. 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

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Blues Nights at Poble Espanyol

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 6.

Supper under the stars at Observatori Fabra

(Camí de l'Observatori, s/n). See Sat 1.

TECHNO

Techno session

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

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmaes

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). See Thu 6.

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FRIDAY

DANCE

Don Quixote

Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Sep 14-17. Fri 8pm; Sat 5pm, 9pm; Sun 5pm; Mon 8pm. 10€-173€.

La Compañía Nacional de Danza returns to the Liceu to perform a classic piece from the 19th century, Don Quixot by Ludwig Minkus. The Spanish company first performed it in Madrid in 2015 and since then it's travelled

around the country and across Europe to great acclaim.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 14, 20, 27. 9.30pm. 20€-50€.

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

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 7.

FOOD AND DRINK

Eternal Banquet at the Museu Egipci

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Confirm dates with venue. 8.30pm-10.30pm. 35€. Prior reservation necessary. [www.museuegipci.com/en](http://www.museuegipci.com/en)

Get an authentic taste of what the Ancient Egyptians ate and how they cooked as well as a guided tour of the museum that's focused on the culinary arts of that extraordinary culture. In Catalan.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Jazz nights at La Pedrera

(Passeig de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. See Fri 7.

Modernisme Nights at Casa Amatller

Pg. de Gràcia, 41. M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Fri 7.

TOURS

Cloister of the Reial Monestir de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

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

Classic roots blues courtesy of Osi Martinez and Javi Suarez; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

LITERATURE FESTIVAL

36a Setmana del Llibre en Català

(Av. de la Catedral). M: Jaume I (L4). Sep 7-16. See Fri 7

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SATURDAY

REGGAETON - TRAP

Maluma

Palau Sant Jordi (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 9.30pm. From 36€. [www.theproject.es](http://www.theproject.es)

The Colombian star is a big name on the Spanish language music scene, and has worked with Shakira, Ricky Martin and Thalía. Earlier

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Wed 5.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

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

Soprano Mercedes Gancedo and pianist Beatriz Miralles play compositions from the likes of Schumann, Schubert and Wolf. Entry includes an afternoon snack (served before concert) and museum visit.

TOURS

The passive and active defence of the city. Refuge 307 and the batteries of Turó de la Rovira

(Start: MUHBA Refugi 307, Nou de la Rambla, 175). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 10am-1.30pm. 8.50€. Prior booking

necessary: [reservesmuhba@bcn.cat](mailto:reservesmuhba@bcn.cat).

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

This walking tour is part of a season of events related to the Spanish Civil War organised by the city's History Museum. The visit starts at one of Barcelona's air raid shelters, visits different spots key to the defence of the city and ends at Turó de la Rovira, where an anti-aircraft system was created on a well-located high points.

Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 1.

SAILING TRIPS

Barcelona port: past, present and future

Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Every Sat from Sep 15. 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.

COOKING WORKSHOP

Pastry workshop

Museu de la Xocolata (Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 4pm-7pm. 60€. <http://www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en>

Puff pastry has been around for centuries, and in this workshop children (aged 8 and above) will learn the secrets to making it, such as the kneading and folding, so that it turns out crispy and well risen. In Spanish and Catalan.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona



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(L1, L4). 9pm. 39€-45€.

Antonio Rey Quintero is a renowned flamenco guitarist who's achieved great success both in and outside Spain.

## LITERATURE FESTIVAL

### 36a Setmana del Llibre en Català

(Av. de la Catedral). M: Jaume I (L4). Sep 7-16. See Fri 7

## 16

SUNDAY

## ROAD RACE

### Cursa de la Mercè

(Start:AVINGUDA Maria Cristina). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 9am. 5€ entry fee (goes to charity).

[www.barcelona.cat/lamerce/en](http://www.barcelona.cat/lamerce/en)

This essential sporting event on Barcelona's September calendar this year marks its 40th anniversary. Held a few days before the festivities in honour of the city's patron saint (see Mon 24), this 10km road race attracts thousands of runners in every edition – a maximum of 14,000 can take part.

## HUMAN TOWERS

### Castells at the Festa Major d'Horta

(Parc de les Rieres).

M: Horta (L5). Noon. [www.cccc.cat/home](http://www.cccc.cat/home)

Four local casteller groups (known as colles) take part in this neighbourhood festival in Horta, where they'll show off their unforgettable human towers.

### ELECTRONIC MUSIC - BRUNCH

### Brunch in the Park

Jardines de Joan Brossa (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). See Sun 2.

## FAMILY

### Quimera

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13).

M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 12.30pm-1.15pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Zeta and Ema live a grey, monotonous life so when they win a holiday in a natural paradise, it seems like the chance for an adventure. Soon after arriving, they're faced with an unexpected challenge. For children aged three and above. In Catalan.

### 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.

## OPERA – FLAMENCO

### Opera and flamenco

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 9.

## TOUR

### 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.palauuell.cat/en](http://www.palauuell.cat/en)

This 90-minute evening tour lets you see parts of this Gaudi-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.

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MONDAY

## FAMILY

### Treasure hunt

Museu del Modernisme (Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Mon 3.

## FILM

### FREE EU & ME

Pavelló Mies van der Rohe (Avda. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 9.30pm. <http://miesbcn.com/>

Enjoy an evening of short film screenings at the emblematic modern building in Montjuïc.

## 18

TUESDAY

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

### Gustavo Dudamel & Mahler Chamber Orchestra

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 30€-175€.

[www.palaumusica.cat/en](http://www.palaumusica.cat/en)

The prestigious Venezuelan conductor Gustavo Dudamel appears for the first of two consecutive nights at the Palau de la Música with the Mahler Chamber Orchestra to open the venue's new season. This evening they perform Brahms's 'Fourth Symphony'.

## SPANISH GUITAR

### The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 18, 20. 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

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

### Gustavo Dudamel & Mahler Chamber Orchestra

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 30€-175€.

[www.palaumusica.cat/en](http://www.palaumusica.cat/en)

Acclaimed Venezuelan conductor Gustavo Dudamel appears for the second of two consecutive nights at the

Palau de la Música with the Mahler Chamber Orchestra, as they perform Mahler's 'Fourth Symphony'.

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THURSDAY

## OPERA

### Opera at Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu 11pm. 25€.

La Petita Companyia Lírica de Barcelona performs in a historical venue.

## NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

### Blues Nights at Poble Espanyol

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 6.

## FLAMENCO

### Grand Flamenco Gala

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Fri 14.

## 21

FRIDAY

## TRADITIONS

### La Mercè

Various venues. Sep 21-24.

Barcelona marks the end of the summer in traditional style by paying homage to the city's co-patron saint, La Mercè, with a programme of concerts, art events, Catalan culture, family activities and more, plus a special focus on the guest city of Lisbon and spectacular fireworks displays. Check the website for full details.

## MUSIC FESTIVAL

### BAM

Various venues. Sep 21-24. <http://lamevabarcelona.cat/bam/en>

BAM (Barcelona Acció Musical) is the music festival of La

Mercè and offers a programme of free concerts held around the city in tribute to one of Barcelona's patron saints.

## WINE AND CAVA FAIR

### 38a Mostra de Vins i Caves de Catalunya

(Moll de la Marina). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). Sep 21-24. Noon-9pm.

Part of the programme for this year's La Mercè festival is this extensive wine and cava fair featuring numerous products from around Catalonia. You can taste a variety of reds, whites, rosés and cavas as well as different light bites to accompany them.

## SHOPPING

### Barcelona Genuine Shops

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 7.

## SPANISH GUITAR

### The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 7, 14, 21, 28. 7pm. 20€.

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

## BLUES

### Blues at the MEAM

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

The Barcelona Bluegrass Band perform, while you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

## NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

### Modernisme Nights at Casa Amatller

Pg. de Gràcia, 41. M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Fri 3.

## 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.

## TOURS

### La Mercè Festival at the Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. Sep 21-24. 10am-2pm (Spa/Cat). [www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en](http://www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en)

As part of the celebrations this weekend of Barcelona's patron saint, the Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection opens its doors for four mornings, and offers a special kids' workshop for the occasion.

## 22

SATURDAY

## SAILING TRIPS

### Barcelona from the sea

Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Every Sat from Sep 22. 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 seafront.

## 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.

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

### Beethoven's 'Symphony n° 9'

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona

(L1, L4). 6.30pm. 18€-68€. [www.palaumusica.cat/en](http://www.palaumusica.cat/en)

The Orquestra Simfònica del Vallès and the Granollers Chamber Choir perform this iconic piece of classical music.

### Classical music at the MEAM

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

Soprano Marga Cloquell and pianist Marta Pujol give a performance of opera and zarzuela by Mozart, Granados, Barbieri and Bellini. Entry includes an afternoon snack (served before 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 Wed 5.

## COOKING WORKSHOP

### Puff pastry

Museu de la Xocolata (Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 4pm-6pm. 15€. [www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en](http://www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en)

Workshop for adults about how to make perfect puff pastry ready to be filled. In Spanish and Catalan.

## FAMILY

### Teknilaqua: build a hydraulic system

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Sep 22-24. 11am-2pm, 4pm-7pm. Free entry to museum on Sep 24.

Joining in the fun and games for the weekend of the La Mercè festival, CosmoCaixa invites kids to learn how to get building creatively using the flexible ArKilàstic system, featuring latex pieces that can be built into different structures.

### Family activities at the Zoo

Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). See Sat 1.

## 23

SUNDAY

## 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.

### 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.

## OPEN DAY

### Festes de la Mercè

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Sep 23, 24. <http://mmb.cat/en/>

Barcelona's Maritime Museum joins in the festivities for the city's patron saint with two days of free entry and various related activities.

## 24

MONDAY

## TRADITIONS

### La Mercè

Barcelona marks the end of the summer in traditional style



# Day by day

by paying homage to the city's patron saint, La Mercè, with a programme of concerts, art events, Catalan culture, family activities and more, plus a special focus on the guest city of Lisbon and spectacular fireworks displays. Check the website for full details.

## HUMAN TOWERS

**Castells for the Diada de La Mercè** FREE  
(Plaça de Sant Jaume).  
M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). 12.30pm.  
[www.cccc.cat/home](http://www.cccc.cat/home)  
Barcelona's seven casteller groups celebrate the feast day of the city's patron saint with a grand display of their skill, strength and daring.

## OPEN DAYS

**Festa de la Mercè** FREE  
Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 9.30am-2.30pm.  
[www.santpaubarcelona.org/en](http://www.santpaubarcelona.org/en)  
To mark today's feast day of La Mercè, Sant Pau offers free entrance and a classical musical performance from noon to 2pm that's billed as a 'Lied jam'.

**La Mercè** FREE  
MACBA (Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Sant Antoni (L2). 10am-8pm.  
[www.macba.cat/en/index](http://www.macba.cat/en/index)  
Another museum that offers free entry for the Mercè festivities is the Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona. In addition, from Sep 19 to 24, it's holding a special book sale.

## 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](http://www.masimas.com/en/jamboree)  
Classic weekly Barcelona jam event.

## SPANISH GUITAR

**Maestros of the Spanish Guitar** BUY  
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 5, 24, 26. 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 Lucia.

**The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine** BUY  
Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 1, 24, 25. 9pm. 20€. Robert Majure performs an intimate candlelit concert where you can also enjoy a glass of wine.

## 25 TUESDAY

## MUSIC FESTIVAL

**Festival Victòria dels Àngels**  
Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 8pm. 20€, 60€. [www.santpaubarcelona.org/en](http://www.santpaubarcelona.org/en)  
This is the opening recital in the Lied Festival Victòria dels Àngels, which remembers the eponymous Barcelona soprano who was an aficionado of the German style of music as well as a supporter of young musical talents. Tonight baritone Josep-Ramon Olivé is accompanied by pianist Malcolm Martineau in a recital dedicated to the 125th anniversary of the birth of Frederic Mompou.

## FAMILY

**Treasure hunt**  
Museu del Modernisme (Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Mon 3.

## NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

**Supper under the stars at Observatori Fabra** i

(Camí de l'Observatori, s/n). See Sat 1.

## 26 WEDNESDAY

## SPANISH GUITAR

**Maestros of the Spanish Guitar** BUY  
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6).  
M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Sep 5, 24, 26. 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 Lucia.

## 27 THURSDAY

## ART EVENT

**Spencer Finch**  
Pavelló Mies van der Rohe (Avda. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 27-Oct 7. <http://miesbcn.com/>  
As part of the Barcelona Gallery Weekend, the Mies van der Rohe Pavillion inaugurates an artistic intervention by Spencer Finch.

## 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](mailto: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.

## NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

**Menja't el museu: Ciència de cinema**  
CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Check website for time. 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. Tonight looks at the close relationship between science and cinema.

**Magic nights at Casa Batlló** i  
(Passeig de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Sun 2.

**Blues Nights at Poble Espanyol** i  
(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 6.

## SPANISH GUITAR

**The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine** BUY  
Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Tue 4.

## FLAMENCO

**Grand Flamenco Gala** BUY  
Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Fri 14.

## 28 FRIDAY

## SPANISH POP

**Raphael**  
Palau Sant Jordi (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 9pm. From 35€. [www.theproject.es](http://www.theproject.es)  
Iconic Spanish musician and actor Raphael has been among the most popular performers in the country for over 40 years; with his latest album Loco Por Cantar, he's reaching out to the younger generations.

## POP ROCK

**David Otero**  
Sala Barts (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 9pm. From 22€. [www.theproject.es](http://www.theproject.es)  
Former member of successful

Spanish group El Canto del Loco, David Otero launched an acclaimed solo career back in 2010.

## 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 4.

**Catalan Parliament** FREE  
(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Mon 3.

## UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

**Shark Cage Diving Express**  
L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Wed 5.

## TOURS

**Barcelona Genuine Shops** BUY  
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## CLASSICAL MUSIC

**OBC Inaugural concert – Mahler's 'Fifth'**  
L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Sep 28-30. Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 11am. 10€-58€. [www.auditori.cat/en/home](http://www.auditori.cat/en/home)  
Opening its new season at L'Auditori, the Orquestra Simfònica de Barcelona i Nacional de Catalunya performs the iconic 'Fifth Symphony' from Mahler.

## BLUES

**Blues at the MEAM** BUY  
(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€. Enjoy an evening of blues and acoustic rock from Julio Lobos and Robert Revolbert, while you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

## 29 SATURDAY

## MUSIC FESTIVAL

**Festival Victòria dels Àngels**  
Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 8pm. 20€, 60€. [www.santpaubarcelona.org/en](http://www.santpaubarcelona.org/en)

The second recital at this festival that celebrates Lied compositions and the life of Barcelona soprano Victòria dels Àngels features mezzosoprano María José Montiel and pianist Rubén Fernández Aguirre, who present a concert entitled 'Rediscovering Padilla' that aims to put the spotlight on lesser-known works by composer José Padilla (1889-1960).

## MUSIC & GASTRONOMY

**Jazz and food** i  
(Moll de la Fusta). 11am-11pm. [www.jazz.barcelona/en](http://www.jazz.barcelona/en)  
The organisers of Barcelona's International Jazz Festival are behind this full day that combines live music, food trucks, beer on tap and more.

## FOOD TASTING

**Seafood and fish tasting**  
Confraria de Pescadors (Moll de Rellotge). M: Barceloneta (L4). 6pm-9pm. [confrariapescadors.barcelona.com](http://confrariapescadors.barcelona.com)  
In honour of Sant Miquel and part of Barcelona's La Mercè festival, the fishing association of Barcelona has organised a tasting of different fish and seafood dishes.

## SPANISH GUITAR

**Masters of the Guitar at the Palau**

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 39€-45€. [www.palaumusica.cat/en](http://www.palaumusica.cat/en)  
Niño Josele is an established flamenco star and during his career, which has been significantly influenced by jazz, he's worked with such names as Bill Evans, Enrique Morente, Chick Corea and Paco de Lucía.

## 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

**5th Playmobil Fair** i  
Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Sep 29, 30. 10am-8pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.  
Poble Espanyol hosts another edition of this event dedicated to Playmobil, popularly known as Clicks here. There will be large-scale tableaux created using Playmobil, as well as workshops, face painting, screenings, food trucks and stalls selling figures and other pieces.

**Family activities at the Zoo** i  
Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). See Sat 1.

## TOURS

**MUHBA Turó de la Rovira: Defence of the modern city**

Turó de la Rovira (Marià Labèrnia, s/n) Bus: 119, V17. 10am-11am. 5€. Prior booking necessary: [reservesmuhba@bcn.cat](mailto:reservesmuhba@bcn.cat). <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>  
Guided tour of this strategic area and natural viewing point chosen in 1937 as the site for some of the city's most important anti-aircraft defences in the Spanish Civil War.

**Funeral Carriage and Hearse Collection**

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 1.  
Gràcia and Casa Vicens: design, gastronomy and the most exotic Gaudí Sep 8, 29. 11am. 13€ (without visit to Casa Vicens); 25€ (with visit to

Casa Vicens). [www.iconoserveis.com/en/](http://www.iconoserveis.com/en/)  
This 90-minute tour of the Gràcia neighbourhood highlights its Modernista architecture and includes stops at bars, patisseries and shops, as well as an optional visit (extra 45 mins) to the first building that Gaudí created in the city, Casa Vicens.

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

**Classical music at the MEAM** BUY  
(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

Baritone Jorge Tello is joined by pianist Marta Pujol for a performance of works by Mozart, Bellini, Verdi and Rossini. Entry includes an afternoon snack (served before concert) and museum visit.

## SAILING TRIPS

**Barcelona from the sea**  
Organised by the Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Every Sat from Sep 22. 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 seafront.

## 30 SUNDAY

## OPERA – FLAMENCO

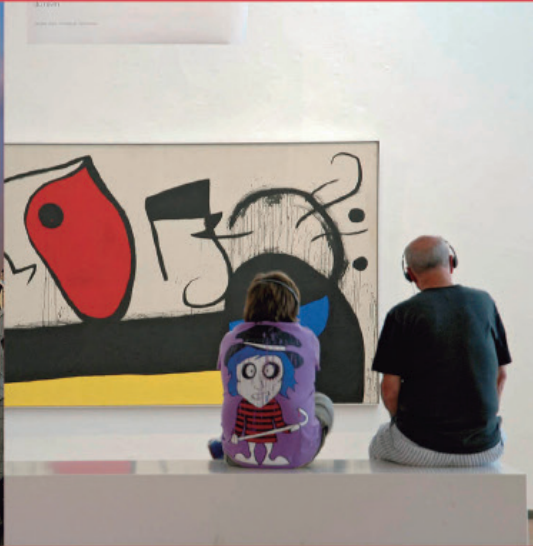
**Opera and flamenco** BUY  
Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 9.

## FAMILY

**3D Planetarium and activities for kids**  
CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. See Sat 1.



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