



The Formentera Council's office of culture reports that from Friday to Sunday this weekend, Sant Ferran will host the tenth year of the Guitarras de Formentera festival.

Ten years of music

A mainstay on the local music scene, Guitarras de Formentera foregrounds blues, jazz, rock and other genres of music with the help of the eminently versatile stringed instrument.

The ten-year-old festival, created and still organised today by a local association of the same name, was first held in 2008 at the initiative of association chair Ekkehard Hoffmann as a means to take the Guitarras de Formentera association's twentieth anniversary celebration to the stage. The ensuing splash was such that the festival immediately became a central component of Formentera's cultural calendar.

This year's musical programming, which plays out in the square that sits in front of the Sant Ferran church, Friday and Saturday (September 14-15) from 10.00pm to 4.00am, will feature performances by Guitar Party, Los Peligrosos Gentlemen, Carmen Jaime and Formentera Connection, Chris Lee & Band, Alejandra Burgos, Kelly & Jam Factory, Smoke and Chimichurri.

Moreover, in keeping with festival tradition, participating musicians will crown each night with a jam session.

At 9.30pm on Sunday September 16, local restaurant Sa Panxa will help give the tenth Guitarras de Formentera a worthy send off by hosting a concert by Alejandra Burgos and one final jam session.