



The Formentera Council departments of festivities and tourism unveiled details today about the fourth Formentera Jazz Festival, scheduled for Thursday May 31 and Sunday June 3. Department head Susana Labrador was joined by the festival's director, Maxwell Wright, in unpacking the programme of a four-day festival that promises to cement once again Formentera's status as a bastion of jazz.

Labrador, CiF secretary of culture, seized the opportunity to highlight the administration's commitment to top-notch cultural initiatives. Formentera Jazz Festival, she said, represents “the starting shot of the local live music scene”; it anticipates performances in local squares, patron saint commemorations and the concerts marking Sant Jaume festivities. The event is not only free to attend and unrivalled in terms of quality, but also, Labrador asserted, “every bit as much for locals as it is for the island's early-season visitors”.

Organisers have teed up four days of workshops, concerts, dj sets and jam sessions with artists from local, national and worldwide circuits. As ever, the festival's main stage will be the town square in Sant Francesc. Jardí de ses Eres will be the scene of an improv workshop. Blue Bar and Chezz Gerdi will host the festival's opening and closing ceremonies, respectively.

The Formentera Jazz Festival has benefitted from the assistance of the Formentera Council from its very beginnings. This year the administration will pay out €12,500 and offer logistic support.

For more details: <http://www.formenterajazzfestival.com/>

Programme

MAY 31

8.00pm OPENING CEREMONY

BLUE BAR, carretera Sant Ferrnan a la Mola, km 7.8

JUNE 1

9.30PM PERE NAVARRO QUARTET

Plaça de la Constitució, Sant Francesc

11.00pm OKOU

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12.30am DJ PANKO

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JUNE 2

5.00pm JUNIOR IMPROV WORKSHOP

Jardí de ses Eres festival tent, Sant Francesc

9.30pm IRENE ATIENZA

Plaça de la Constitució, Sant Francesc

11.00pm JORGE PARDO & JESUS PARDO 'ELECTRODJINN'

Plaça de la Constitució, Sant Francesc

12.30am MIDI JAZZ CLUB

Plaça de la Constitució, Sant Francesc

2.00am PROFESOR ANGEL DUST

Plaça de la Constitució, Sant Francesc

JUNE 3

8.00pm JAM SESSION

Chezz Gerdi, es Pujols