



This morning in the sala de cultura of the Formentera Council, details were unveiled regarding the sixth year of the Formentera Guitar Festival. At the presentation were festival organiser and Formentera Guitars craftsman Ekkehard Hoffmann, councillor of culture Sònia Cardona and councillor of tourism Alejandra Ferrer.

Hoffman – better known locally as 'Ekki' – announced that 25 musicians would be brought to the island for the occasion. In the planning of the event, Hoffman stated, “More than giving a replay of all that we've already heard and from all the musicians that have played with us over the past several months, we tried to make the festival a combination of local musicians and top-notch musicians from abroad.”

The concerts of this year's festival will be held on Friday and Saturday, 19 and 20 September, from 10 pm to 4 am at the Sant Ferran plaza. Friday's line-up includes: MMS, Carmen Jaime, Formentera Connection, Los peligrosos Gentlemen, Chris Lee, Chimichurri and – closing out the first night – a jam session of different musicians. On Saturday the list of concerts continues, with Bromma Plan, Litus, Kelly & The Jam Factory, Los Dooros + Javier Vargas and Miko Weaver all scheduled to play before one final jam session wraps up the festival.

Councillor of culture Sònia Cardona underscored the excellent mix of culture and tourism that the festival ensures year after year. She also noted that “this late-season festival represents a fun and extremely high-quality event for residents who are gradually winding down their summer and who, little by little, have more time for pleasure activities. It is perfect for those individuals searching for a more relaxed brand of tourism, and for anyone attracted to live music.”

For her part, councillor Alejandra Ferrer spoke about “the phenomenal work of Ekki and the Formentera Guitars company, who hatched the idea and continue to make this festival a reality every summer. [Ekki and Formentera Guitars] spend the whole year training new learners and building artisanal guitars; it is a perfect combination of artisanry and business.”