

Today Ana Juan, president and equality councillor of the Consell de Formentera, and Dolores Fernández Tamargo, president of Espai Dones, presented the local activities programme on the occasion of 8 March, International Women's Day ("8M"), which this year revives the Tribute to the Elderly Women of Formentera, an event that in the last three years could not be held because of the pandemic.

President Juan congratulated Espai Dones for recovering the elderly women's tribute, which will feature 15 female residents of the island born between 1936 and 1937. The event will unfold in La Mola's Casa del Poble at 12 noon, and feature performances by Maria José Cardona and local dance troupes.

The president stressed the importance of "recognising the women of the island who for years have done fundamental work for the development of our society, work that was hidden." Juan recalled that giving visibility to women is "precisely the purpose of the Consell de Formentera's first equality grant." 'Valuing the invisible work of women in 20<sup>th</sup>-century Formentera: Pioneers of sustainable living practices', a project by researchers Mònica Grau Sarabia and Stella Mally, received this first grant and work is already underway.

In addition, Juan signalled that next week surveys will be administered to initiate the drafting of Formentera's second Equality Plan. "It is very important that people participate, that they share their opinions, needs and contributions to continue working towards the goal of a more egalitarian society", she said.

For her part, Dolores Fernández Tamargo praised the collaboration of all the groups and associations that participated in this year's extensive programme and "which continue fighting for gender equality on Formentera."

Sunday 5 March 12 noon | **12th Tribute to the Elderly Women of Formentera**. Casa del Poble, La Mola Monday 6 March

*7.00pm* | Exhibition opening: *Terra* (Susana Cardona). Ends 18 March. 11.00am to 2.00pm and 6.00pm to 8.00pm. Closed Sundays, holidays and Monday mornings. Sala d'Exposicions "Ajuntament Vell".

Wednesday 8 March. International Women's Day

*8.30am* | **Special "8M" broadcast of Ràdio Illa's** *De Far a Far*, with Rocío Pavón García. *10.00am* | **Information table. Poster hanging**. Come and participate by hanging posters, and make new ones.

*5.30pm* | **Rally at Plaça de la Constitució**. Readings by women volunteers and reading of the International Women's Day manifesto. Drum performance by Bloco Colubraria.

Friday 10 March and Sunday 12 March 9.00pm and 8.00pm, respectively. Film screening: *Five Little Wolves (Cinco lobitos)*. Directed by Alauda Ruiz de Azúa. Sala de Cultura (Cinema).

Sunday 12 March

*10.00am* | **Women's Charity Run (8K)**. Walk/run organised by the Formentera chapter of the Spanish Cancer Association (AECC).

2.00pm | Fundraising paella after the race. Start/finish: Plaça de la Constitució.

Thursday 16 March 7.30pm | Lecture: "An evening with Rocío Madrid (poetry books and notes)". Biblioteca Marià Villangómez.

Saturday 18 March

*8.00pm* | **Recital:** *Female pianists*, by Anabel Márquez Falero. A piano journey spotlighting female composers eclipsed throughout the history of music, from 17th century to present. Free admission with limited seating. Sala de Cultura (Cinema).

Thursday 23 March *7.00pm* | **"History of Feminism", by Dolores F. Tamargo**. In the classrooms of CEPA

Pitiüses, next to CEIP Mestre Lluís Andreu.

In addition, Biblioteca Marià Villangómez will dedicate a space in the library to books on feminist and gender issues.

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