

The Formentera Office of Culture is pleased to announce that from 6 to 9 October, Jardí de ses Eres in Sant Francesc will be home to a new fair called "Autumn of Art" (*Tardor d'Art*). From 10.00am to 10.00pm, creations by artists from the island will be exhibited and a space for exchange will be open to the public. An opening will be staged Thursday 6 October at 7.00pm.

"Reviving the essence of the old Fira d'Art de Primavera, this new event is conceived as a yearly showcase for shining works from Formentera's resident artists and recurring visitors", said Susana Labrador, councillor of culture, encouraging all islanders to come out for the event at a time of year that is "ideal for reflection". The initiative of the Association of Formentera Artists is curated by Tanja Grass, director of the Drap-Art Festival and resident of the island since 1965.

Fifteen artists will participate in the first Tardor d'Art, among them Sol Courreges Boné de Torre, Fran Lucas Simón, María Teresa Matilla López, Jorge Traverso and Woff Kahlen. Maribel Escandell Guasch, Diana Masiliauskas, María Lagrange, Enric Riera and Antoni Taulé will contribute paintings; Fabiana Schulz will display photos; Pablo Arias and Lorenzo Pepe will exhibit sculptures; Albert Merino and Juan González Fornés will contribute videos.

Curator Tanja Grass describes the fair as "a platform where artists can develop more personal, more reflective works", saying, "With problems like tourist saturation and climate change, critical mass is needed to open the debate on necessary social change. With Tardor d'Art, artists have a space to show what moves and worries them".

The fair also has a daily programme. At 8.00pm on the first full day after the opening, artist Crystn Hunt Akron will present a performance entitled Plasticphonia. From 6.00pm to 8.00pm on Friday 7 October, visual artist and cultural manager Laura Marte will give a workshop on best practices in the arts and the professionalisation of cultural workers. From 7.00pm to 8.00pm on Saturday 8 October, attendees can sit for a round table on the current situation, including a look at similarities and differences, in the arts in the Balearics. The event will include the participation of artists and cultural actors with ties to the island. And finally, from 7.00pm to 9.00pm on Sunday 9 October, the fair will close with the presence of Elena Ruiz, director of the Museum of Contemporary Art of Eivissa (MACE), with the lecture "Isabel Echarri/La Reina Blanca".

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TARDOR
D'ART Jardi de ses Eres
Sant Francesc
Del 6 al 9 d'octubre, de 10 h a 22 h



Enric Riera, Mataombres

Jorge Traverso, Gran Mandala

Artistes participants Pablo Arias, Sol Courreges Boné de la Torre, Maribel Escandell Guasch, Juan González Formés, Wolf Kahlen, María Lagrange, Fran Lucas Simón, Diana Masiliauskas, María Teresa Matilla López, Albert Merino, Lorenzo Pepe, Enric Riera, Fabiana Schulz, Antoni Taule i Jorge Traverso

Comissària: Tanja Grass