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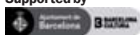
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Get out your diaries! We present just a handful of the cultural highlights of the month ahead.

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# The Hot Seat



## Benedetta Tagliabue

The Barcelona-based architect is excited about the new Enric Miralles Foundation, an exhibition space that is permanently under construction. By **Ada Castells**

### Where did the idea for the Enric Miralles Foundation come from?

The idea had been around forever. Enric was the architect behind the Scottish Parliament and the Santa Caterina Market here in Barcelona, and while he was still alive, we had the idea of opening a space to the public. We wanted to open up part of the office. And now is the time to do it.

### In the middle of a financial crisis?

Yes, a lot of people have told me I'm crazy, but we're going to do it gradually, as we find funding.

### It's a beautiful place, at Passatge de la Pau, 10, just off the bottom of the Ramblas. Was it essential to find a location in Barcelona?

Barcelona has a potential that we residents sometimes don't see. The city's reputation and ability to inspire

affection are global phenomena. Everyone wants to come and visit Barcelona. The building dates to the end of the 19th century, when the standard of architecture here was especially high, even compared to the rest of the world.

### It's also a space with a very positive vibe. Do you believe in Feng Shui?

I find it interesting, and in fact, the exhibitions we'll be putting on won't just focus on architecture, but also on all these more mysterious topics.

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**Encarnació, 24** ☎ 93 200 97 71  
[www.anatichy.com](http://www.anatichy.com)

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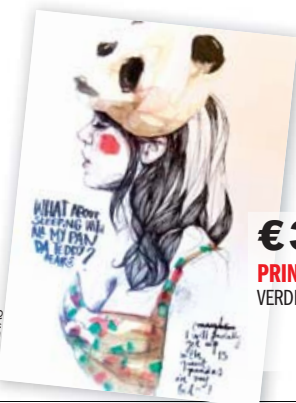


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#### VERDEJADE

It's impossible to pass Verdejade's window display without stopping for a closer look. At the moment the attention-grabbers are illustrator Paula's Bonet's prints of rosy-cheeked, tousle-haired damsels, but you'll also find unique decorative objects, ceramics, clothes and accessories.

**Ramon y Cajal, 11**

☎ 93 210 61 64

#### GÉNEROS DE PUNTA

This open studio, close to Santa Caterina market, is Argentinian illustrator Gastón Liberto's creative headquarters. Strongly

influenced by circus and carnival imagery, his designs are irresistible in any format – printed on wood or paper, or emblazoned on T-shirts.

**Semoleres 4** ☎ 93 319 48 37

[www.gastonliberto.com](http://www.gastonliberto.com)

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If letters are your thing, you've come to the right place. This is where you'll find the work of The Font Hunter, a couple who make wooden letters of all shapes, sizes, colours and fonts. They're also past masters at recycling signage, turning abandoned letters into one-of-a-kind light fittings.

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second-hand books. And when your feet start to give out, there's always the café terrace.

**Av. Rius i Taulet, 120 Sant Cugat del Vallès** [www.mercantic.com](http://www.mercantic.com)

### SANTA LLÚCIA

Christmas in Barcelona wouldn't be complete without a stroll round Santa Llúcia market, which fills the Cathedral square for several weeks. Some people go for the festive atmosphere: others to keep up a family tradition of buying a tree, decorations, and all the things without which a Catalan Christmas wouldn't be complete—including the famous 'caganer,' a squatting,



pooping Nativity scene figurine, or the 'Tió de Nadal' the festive log that poops out children's presents on Christmas Eve.

### Plaça de la Catedral

#### ELS ENCANTS

Barcelona's biggest antiques and flea market is officially called the Fira de Bellcaire, but is universally known as 'Els Encants'. What can you find there? Everything and more: furniture from the antique to the merely old, fabric by the metre, household appliances, books, records, tchotchkes, knickknacks and junk. It's chaotic and cluttered, but therein lies its charm.

And haggling is not optional – it's obligatory.

### Plaça de les Glòries, 8

[www.encantsbcn.com](http://www.encantsbcn.com)

#### CHRISTMAS FAIRS

Throughout December, Barcelona streets fill with all kinds of speciality Christmas markets: there's **Festivalet** ([www.festivalet.org](http://www.festivalet.org)), where everything is hand-made, **Zapato Rojo** ([www.elzapatorojo.es](http://www.elzapatorojo.es)), for up-and-coming fashion designers, **Lost&Found** ([www.lostandfoundbcn.com](http://www.lostandfoundbcn.com)), a second-hand paradise, and **Brick Lane BCN** ([www.facebook.com/blbcn](http://www.facebook.com/blbcn)), specialising in vintage clothes.



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**Sèneca, 2** ☎ 93 368 13 81  
[www.cobblerblack.com](http://www.cobblerblack.com)

#### MAIANS

Barceloneta's Sunday anglers never dreamt that their comfy espadrilles would one day be the height of fashion among the youth. It's down to the magic touch of Pichiglas design studio, who gave a traditional shoe a cool new look.

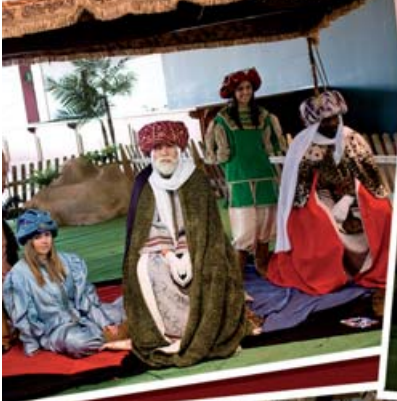
**Princesa, 49** [www.maians.es](http://www.maians.es)

#### ANAID KUPURI

Designer shoes don't have to be synonymous with discomfort. At least, not if they're from Anaid Kupuri. We love the retro-folk feel of this label, which shares store space in Sant Gervasi with fashion designer Maria Roch.

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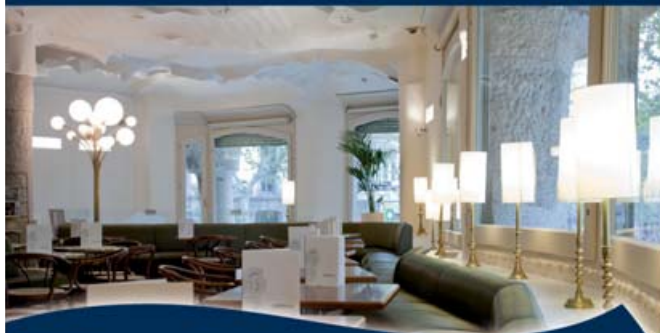


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**Torrent de l'Olla, 86** ☎ 93 284 70 47  
[www.la-a.eu](http://www.la-a.eu)

### VINÇON

Barcelona's best known design store, with art, furniture, gadgets, kitchenware and household

essentials. Vinçon is practically an institution, worth a visit as much for the building itself as for the contents – the furniture department on the upper storey is a magnificently decorated Modernista apartment. There are star products from local designers (such as Casa Lolo's tapas kits), and every December Hipermerc'ART, the art supermarket, a collective exhibition of affordable small-scale artworks.

**Pg. de Gràcia, 96** ☎ 93 215 60 50

### GREY STREET

Looking for original gifts that won't break the bank? Look no further than Grey Street, a tiny shop in the Raval choc-a-bloc with a little of everything,



LA-A



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from stationery to vintage clothes, ceramics and costume jewellery. Shopping done, you can have coffee there and then, at Stan's Coffee Corner – right now, it's the coolest corner in Barcelona.

**Peu de la Creu, 25** ☎ 93 174 35 06

### FANTASTIK

This '(extra)ordinary bazaar' is a portal to the day-to-day kitsch of faraway places: ordinary objects that become extraordinary when taken out of context. You'll find trays, chairs, religious icons and posters from places as diverse as Mexico, India and Romania. Fantastik is the black sheep of the home décor family – outrageous, with question-

able taste, but tons of fun to hang out with.

**Joaquín Costa, 62** ☎ 93 301 30 68  
[www.fantastik.es](http://www.fantastik.es)

### CHANDAL STORE

T-shirts for men and women, Polaroid cameras, limited edition vinyl and CDs, posters, analogue electronic games and bric-a-brac: Ángeles, Isabel and Jorge have turned Chandal into a display case for their personal obsessions. A visit to this one-of-a-kind concept store always turns up pleasant surprises – especially if you're looking for a truly cool present.

**Valldonzella, 27-29** ☎ 93 302 84 71  
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#### APRÈS SKI

“Our garden needs its flowers” is the evocative name of the latest collection from Après Ski: it’s a symphony of hand-painted necklaces inspired by Africa, but also by the playful, confident look of the Memphis-Milano school of architecture. A bold design choice, stunningly executed, as we’ve come to expect from designer Lucía Vergara.

#### Cotoners, 12

[www.apresskishop.com](http://www.apresskishop.com)

#### SILVINA RIO

Creating jewellery calls for inspired ideas and faultless technique – luckily, Silvina Rio has both in spades. Her collections are

on display at Studio Rosa, her studio showroom in Gràcia, and include many unique pieces. Our favourite? ‘New Antique,’ inspired by floral motifs in antique mouldings.

#### Martínez de la Rosa, 40

☎ 696 16 76 01

#### ENA MACANA

Ena Macana has an obsession with time (and by extension, with clocks) – and no time for boring conventions. She prefers the most unlikely, surreal new directions, and she signposts them with jewellery that proclaims her provocative, combative worldview.

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Passeig de Gràcia is one of the most expensive shopping streets in the world, where Modernista architecture houses international luxury labels such as Chanel, Gucci, Valentino and Loewe, shoulder to shoulder with well-established local names.

### BRAND HEAVEN

At the heart of the Gothic quarter, the biggest multinational clothing brands are clustered along Portal de l'Àngel and Portaferrissa: Zara, H&M, Mango, Bershka, Massimo Dutti, Benetton and Intimissimi. Duck down any sidestreet to escape the identikit crowds.

### RAVAL RAMBLES

Local fans of the Raval spend so much time wandering its maze of streets they've invented a word for it – 'ravalejar'. Taking the Barcelona Museum of Contemporary Art (MACBA) as a starting point, you can loop round the shops on Joaquim Costa and Ferlandina to one side, and Elisabets, Doctor Dou and Pintor Fortuny to the other. There's no excuse for missing out on Costura, Les Topettes, Fusta'm and La Variété. And for fans of vintage and second-hand clothes, there's the concentration of shops on Riera Baixa, including gems like Motel and Galalith.





PASSEIG DE GRÀCIA

## SHOPPING MALLS

### El Corte Inglés

Av. Portal del Àngel, 19-21 – Catalunya (L1/L3)

Pl. Catalunya, 23 - Catalunya (L1/L3)

Pl. Catalunya, 14 - Catalunya (L1/L3)

Av. Diagonal, 471-473 - Hospital Clínic (L5)

Av. Diagonal, 617-619 – Maria Cristina (L3)

Pg. d'Andreu Nin, 51 – Fabra i Puig (L1)

### Centre Comercial Barcelona Glòries

Av. Diagonal, 208 – Glòries (L1)

### Complex Arenas de Barcelona

Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 373-385 – Espanya (L1/L3)

### La Maquinista

Pg. de Potosí, 2 – Torras i Bages (L1)

### La Roca Village

Santa Agnès de Malayanes s/n – Bus from pl. Catalunya (in front of Banco Español de Crédito)

### L'Illa Diagonal

Av. Diagonal, 557 – Maria Cristina (L3)

### Maremagnum

Moll d'Espanya, 5 – Drassanes (L3)

### Pedralbes Centre

Av. Diagonal, 609-615 – Maria Cristina (L3)

### Gran Via 2

Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 75 – Europa/Fira (R5, R6, S33, S4, S8, L8)

# \* GLASSES

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### PALENS

Have you ever fallen in love with a pair of glasses? Palens, hand-made in Barcelona from walnut or zebrawood, will put you to the test.

**Biba. Passeig del Born, 24**

[www.palens.es](http://www.palens.es)

### WILDE

Wilde is the city's vintage sunglasses Mecca, where you can also buy eyewear designed by the shop's owner, an expert on the subject.

**Avinyó, 21** [www.wildestore.com](http://www.wildestore.com)



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**WALDIWALNUT**

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If you thought you knew everything there was to know about toiletries, you've obviously never been to Les Topettes, a shop in the Raval that sources little-known

brands with an eye for product design. You'll find perfumes, soaps and other cosmetics guaranteed to surprise and delight.

**Joaquín Costa, 33** ☎ 93 500 55

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## Cecilia Bartoli & 'Mission'

**10 DECEMBER**  
The Italian mezzo-soprano visits L'Auditori with the Basel Chamber Orchestra.

## Mishima at Palau

**16 DECEMBER**  
The biggest name in Barcelona's home-grown indie pop scene performs new release.

## Dvořák's 'Rusalka'

**22, 27 & 29**  
Stefan Herheim conducts the Czech composer's most popular opera at the Liceu.

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# Exhibitions

Information and sales:  
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[www.barcelonaturisme.cat](http://www.barcelonaturisme.cat)

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## Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona

(Pl. Pons i Clerch, 2). M: Arc de Triomf (L1) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 34 20. Mon-Sat, 10am-7pm. Closed Sun and public holidays.

### FREE Raval. Consuelo Bautista

Until 26 January. More than fifty photographs documenting Barcelona's Raval district, shot by renowned photojournalist Consuelo Bautista between 2004 and 2010.

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## Arxiu Històric de la Ciutat de Barcelona

(Santa Lúcia, 1). M: Jaume I (L4) & Urquinaona (L1-L4). T. 93 31 81 195. Mon-Fri, 9am-8.30pm. Sun, 9am-1pm.

**Handy Barcelona. City guidebooks, 1176-2004** 8 Nov-April.

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## CaixaForum

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). T. 93 476 86 00. [www.lacaixa.es/obrasocial](http://www.lacaixa.es/obrasocial). Mon-Fri, 10am-8pm. Wed, 10am-11pm. Sat, Sun, 10am-9pm.

### FREE Before the flood.

#### Mesopotamia 3500-2100 B.C.

From 30 Nov to 24 Feb. With over 400 archaeological exhibits, the show explores our debt to this early Near Eastern civilisation.

### FREE Food justice. Sowing the seeds of hope

Until 5 Jan. The problems of distributing and providing access to food across the globe are presented through recordings made by people living in rural communities in Bolivia and Tanzania.

### FREE The arts of Piranesi.

**Architect, printmaker, antiquarian, painter of cityscapes and designer** From 5 Oct to 20 Jan. Over 250 works by the 18<sup>th</sup> century Italian artist Giambattista Piranesi, whose influence on European art and culture was profound.

**FREE What to think. What to desire. What to do. The 'la Caixa' Foundation's contemporary art collection** From 9 Nov to 25 August. In confusing times it makes sense to ask

oneself: What should I think? What should I desire? What should I do? This exhibition of works from the 'la Caixa' Foundation's contemporary art collection revolves around these questions.

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## Can Framis. Fundació Vila Casas

(Roc Boronat, 116-126). M: Glòries (L1), Poblenou (L4) & Llacuna (L4). T. 93 320 87 36. <http://www.fundaciovilacasas.com/en/> Tue-Sat, 11am-6pm. Sun, 11am-2pm. 5 € adults, 2 € students and pensioners.

### Agustí Centelles. A

**Photographic Chronicle. The Thirties.** Until 10 Feb. Photographs by renowned Catalan photojournalist Agustí Centelles, documenting the last years of the Spanish Republic, the Civil War and his years in exile.

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## Capella Reial de Santa Àgata

(Pl. del Rei, 1). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 21 22. 1 Apr-30 Sept, Tue-Sun, 10am-8pm. 1 Oct-31 Mar, Tue-Sun., 10am-2pm, 4pm-7pm. Sun, 10am-8pm.

### FREE Illusion and movement.

**From shadow to film** Tue-Sat and public holidays, 10am-7pm. Sun, 1am-8pm. 9 Oct-6 Jan. Exhibition on the origins of cinema.

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## Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona

(Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1-L3). T. 93 306 41 00. [www.cccb.org/en/](http://www.cccb.org/en/) Tue-Sun & public hols, 11am-8pm. Closed Mon. 5 €. Reduced entry for pensioners and students on Wed (excl public holidays): 3,40 €. Free for under 16s, & unemployed, Thur 8-10pm & Sun 3-8pm.

### El Paral·lel, 1894-1939

From 26 Oct to 24 Feb. The broad avenue of El Paral·lel was created during Barcelona's 19<sup>th</sup> century expansion. This exhibition describes the evolution of a new entertainment district that stretched from Plaça Espanya to the sea.

**World Press Photo 2012** From 29 Nov to 6 Jan. 'World Press Photo' is renowned as the biggest international showcase for photojournalism. More than a travelling exhibition of the best news photography, it documents the year's main stories.

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## CosmoCaixa

(Isaac Newton, 26). M: Av. Tibidabo (FGC). T. 93 212 60 50. [obrasocial.lacaixa.es/nuestroscentros/cosmoaixabarcelona/cosmoaixabarcelona\\_es.html](http://obrasocial.lacaixa.es/nuestroscentros/cosmoaixabarcelona/cosmoaixabarcelona_es.html). Tue-Sun, 10am-8pm. 3 € (permanent and temporary exhibitions). Reduced entry 2 €. First Sun of month free.

➔ **Epidemic!** Until 10 February.

Exhibition explaining the causes and cyclical nature of epidemics, and how they have shaped the history of humanity.

➔ **Technorevolució** Until 6 May.

Interactive exhibition that allows visitors to experience the evolution of technology, with spaces dedicated to nanotechnology, biotechnology, IT and cognitive sciences.

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## DHUB. Museu de Ceràmica

(Palau Reial de Pedralbes, Avda Diagonal, 686). M: Palau Reial (L3). T. 93 256 34 65. [www.museuceramica.bcn.cat](http://www.museuceramica.bcn.cat). Tue-Sun, 10am-6pm. Public hols, 10am-3pm. Closed Mon. 5€. Reduced: 3€.

**Contemplation. Photographs by Carlos Collado** 15 Nov-3 Mar. Collado depicts the reactions of visitors to objects in the collection.

**A singular garden. Ceramics from Iznik, in the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries** From 10 Oct to 3 March. A journey through the unique and beautiful ceramics of Iznik (Turkey), which are characterized by their ornate floral decorations.

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## Disseny Hub Barcelona-Pedralbes

(Palau Reial de Pedralbes. Av. Diagonal, 686). M: Palau Reial (L3). T. 93 256 34 65. [www.dhub-bcn.cat](http://www.dhub-bcn.cat). Tue.-Sun., 10am-6pm. Closed: 1 Jan, 1 May, 24 June, 25 & 26 Dec. 5 € (ticket valid for Disseny Hub Barcelona-Montcada).

**DHUB-Museu de les Arts Decoratives** Until 31 Dec. Permanent Exhibition European decorative arts and industrial design.

**DHUB-Museu Tèxtil i d'Indumentària** Until 30 Dec. Permanent Exhibition A unique journey through the history of clothing, drawing on the museum's collection of clothes and accessories.

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## Espai Mercè Sala

(Diagonal Metro Station). M: Diagonal (L3-L5). **FREE The Bus Turístic, FC**

**Barcelona and Barcelona: sharing 25 years of success.** Mon-Sat, 10am-8.30pm. Until Jan. To celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Barcelona's Bus Turístic, this exhibition explores the history of FC Barcelona, the bus tours and the city itself over the last 25 years.

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## Espai VolART-Fundació Vila Casas

(Ausiàs March, 22). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4). T. 93 481 79 85. [www.fundaciovilacasas.com](http://www.fundaciovilacasas.com). Tue-Fri, 5-8.30pm, Sat, 11am-2pm & 5-8.30pm. Sun, 11am-2pm. 1 €; Reduced: 0,50 €.

**Daniel Enkaoua. Create/Believe** 20 Sept-16 Dec. Paintings by French artist Daniel Enkaoua, a master of expressionist brushwork.

**Victor Pérez-Porro. 'The Colours of Berlin made Shapes in my Head'** 20 Sept-12 Dec. Thirty works focusing on the most recent work by this contemporary artist: a meditation on the elements of painting as a discipline: shape, colour and texture.

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## Fundació Alorda-Derksen

(Aragó, 314). M: Girona (L4). T. 93 272 62 50. [www.fundacionad.com](http://www.fundacionad.com) By appt. 5 €. Reduced, 3 €.

**Permanent exhibition**

Contemporary art collection focusing on cutting-edge international artists.

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## Fundació Antoni Tàpies

(Aragó, 255). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4). T. 93 487 03 15. [www.fundacionatapies.org](http://www.fundacionatapies.org). Tue-Sun, 10am-7pm. 7 €. Students and pensioners, 5.60 €.

**Re. Act. Feminism #2. A Performing Archive** Until 17 Feb.

A temporary and living archive of performance art, which will travel Europe from 2011 to 2013, presenting feminist, gendercritical and queer performance art by over 120 artists and artist collectives from the 1960s to the beginning of the 1980s, as well as contemporary positions.

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## Francisco Godia

(Diputació, 250). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4). T. 93 272 31 80. [www.fundacionfgodia.org](http://www.fundacionfgodia.org). Mon-Sun, 10am-8pm. Closed Tue 6.50 €, Reduced 3.25 €.

**Palazuelo. Lines and planes in space** Until 6 Jan. An in-depth exploration of the sculptures by Pablo

Palazuelo (1915-2007), works that were an extension of his career as an artist.

## Fundació Joan Miró

(Parc de Montjuïc, s/n). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). T. 93 443 94 70. [www.fundacionmiro-bcn.org](http://www.fundacionmiro-bcn.org). Tue-Sat, 10am-8pm. Thu, 10am-9.30pm. Sun & public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mondays. 10 €. Espai 13, 2.50 €.

**Explosion! The legacy of Jackson Pollock** Until 24 Feb. With works by artists from the late 40s to the present day, including Pollock, Andy Warhol and Yves Klein.

**Espai 13: Jordi Mitjà. Monument. Wire thieves** Until 2 Dec. A site-specific sculpture created for Espai 13.

**Espai 13: The Nipple Slip. Speech Performance. Gabriel Pericàs** 14 Dec-10 Feb. Gabriel Pericàs analyzes the themes of absent-mindedness and distraction, and how they lead to embarrassing blunders.

## Fundació Su-ol

(Passeig de Gràcia, 98). M: Diagonal (L3-L5). T. 93 496 10 32. [www.fundaciosunol.org](http://www.fundaciosunol.org) Mon-Sat 4pm-8pm. Closed 3-27 September.

 **Fifth anniversary of the Josep Su-ol collection** 28 Sept-9 Mar. Exhibition to mark the Su-ol Foundation's fifth anniversary, with works by more than 70 artists including Picasso, Dalí, Tàpies, Warhol, Boetti and Man Ray.

 **Nivell Zero Documents and memory: The Josep Su-ol collection archive** Until 2 Mar.

## Jardí Botànic

(Doctor Font i Quer, s/n). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). T. 93 256 41 60. [www.museociencies.bcn.cat](http://www.museociencies.bcn.cat). Oct-March; daily, 10am-6pm. April-May and Sept: daily, 10am-7pm. June, July, August: daily, 10am-8pm.

**Botanical Garden (MCNB-Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona)** Permanent collection of plants from Mediterranean-type climate zones around the globe.

## La Pedrera

(Provença, 261-265). M: Provença (FGC) & Diagonal (L3-L5). T. 902 400 973. [www.lapedrera.com](http://www.lapedrera.com). Mon-Sun, 9am-6.30pm (last admission: 18.00 h). 3 €.

**Exhibition Hall. The other Pedreras. Architecture and**

**furniture of the twentieth century** 13 Nov-24 Feb. To commemorate the centenary of La Pedrera, this wide-ranging exhibition features different buildings from the same period.

## Macba. Museu d'Art Contemporani

(Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1-L2) & Sant Antoni (L2). T. 93 412 08 10. [www.macba.cat](http://www.macba.cat). Mon-Fri, 11am-8pm. Sat 10am-8pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-3pm. Tues. closed, except public holidays.

Whole museum ticket, 8 € (reduced 6.5 €). Single exhibition ticket, 6 € (reduced, 4.50 €).

**Utopia is possible. ICSID. Eivissa, 1971** Until 20 Jan. Documentary material, photographs and films commemorating the VII Congress of the International Council of Societies of Industrial Design (ICSID), held in 1971 in Ibiza.

**Nasrin Tabatabai & Babak Afrassiabi. 'Seep'** Until 17 Feb. First Spanish exhibition by two Iranian artists, based on the 'Two Archives': their project exploring processes of modernisation in the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

## MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 319 56 93. [www.meam.es](http://www.meam.es). Tue-Sun, 10am-8pm. 7 €. Reduced 5 €.

 **21<sup>st</sup> century contemporary art** Almost 200 paintings and 30 sculptures featuring works by figurative, realist or hyperrealist artists from all over the world.

## MIBA. Museu d'Idees i Invents de Barcelona

(Ciutat, 7). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 332 79 30. [www.mibamuseum.com](http://www.mibamuseum.com). Tue-Fri, 10am-2pm & 4-7pm. Sat, 11am-8pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-2pm. 7 €.

**The Barcelona Museum of Ideas and Inventions** Permanent exhibition

**Minimiba** The Minimiba competition asked children to come up with new ideas: this exhibition showcases prototypes of the 30 of the most brilliant and ingenious.

## MNAC: Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). T. 93 622 03 60. [www.mnac](http://www.mnac).



cat. Tue-Sat, 10am-7pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-2.30pm. 10 €. Temporary exhibitions: consult museum website.

➡ **Permanent collection** The largest collection of Catalan art from the Romanesque period to the mid-nineteenth century.

**FREE** The museum investigates. Works of art under scrutiny 23 Nov-17 Feb. Showing the vicissitudes and modifications undergone by some of the museum's artworks, and the ways experts distinguish between an original, a copy, a forgery or a restoration.

## Monestir de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). M: Reina Elisenda (FGC). T. 93 256 34 34. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat Tues-Fri, de 10am-5pm. Sun, 10am-7pm. Sun, 10am-8pm (Sun, free after 3pm). Sun and Mon before public holidays, 10am-2pm. Closed Monday. 7 €. 4 € groups of more than 10. Reduced entry: 5 €.

**Paintings from the Sant Miquel Chapel** Permanent Exhibition. Paintings from the chapel of Sant Miquel, a 14th-century Gothic masterpiece.

## MUHBA El Call

(Placeta de Manuel Ribé). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 21 22. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat. Tue-Fri, 11am-2pm. Sat, Sun, 11am-7pm. Sun and Mon before public holidays, 10am-2pm. Closed Monday. 2 €.

➡ **Salomó ben Adret (1235-1310). The Triumph of an Orthodoxy.** Permanent exhibition. Salomó ben Adret, also known as the Rashba, was a Catalan Jewish leader and Rabbi at the main synagogue of Barcelona during the late 13<sup>th</sup> and early 14<sup>th</sup> centuries.

## MUHBA Fabra i Coats. Espai Joan Bota

(Sant Adrià, 20). M: Sant Andreu (L1). Tue-Fri, 10am-5pm. Sat, 10am-7pm. Sun, 10am-8pm.

➡ **Postwar ingenuity.** **Barcelona's Microcars** 5 Dec-15 Mar. Microcars of all descriptions from Claudi Roca's private collection.

## MUHBA Museu d'Història de Barcelona

(Pl. del Rei). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256

21 22. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat. Tues-Sat, 10-19 h. Sun, 10am-8pm (Sun free after 3pm). Sun and Mon before public holidays, 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. 7 €. Under-16s free.

➡ **Saló del Tinell: Indianes. The origins of industrial Barcelona, 1736-1847** Until 16 December. The mass-production of calico prints or 'indianes' galvanised the economic life of Barcelona.

➡ **MUHBA Laboratory.** **Collecting the city** Until 1 April.

## MUHBA Park Güell

(Olot, s/n. Casa de la Guardia). T. 93 256 21 22. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat. From 1 April until 30 Sept: Mon-Sun 10am-8pm. From 1 Oct until 31 March: Mon-Sun, 10am-6pm. 2€

➡ **Permanent exhibition**

## MUHBA Refugi 307

(Nou de la Rambla, 169). M: Jaume I (L1-L4). T. 93 256 21 00. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat. Sat. & Sun., 10am-2pm, by appointment. Public holidays, dosed. 3 €.

➡ **Permanent Exhibition** In 400 metres of underground passageways, visitors can relive the uncertainty of a city which, during the Civil War, was subject to a new form of warfare: indiscriminate bombing of the civilian population.

## MUHBA Santa Caterina

(Pl. de Joan Capri). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3). T. 93 256 21 22. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat. Mon-Sat., 10am-2pm. Sun. & Public holidays, dosed.

➡ **Permanent exhibition** Inside Santa Caterina Market, this exhibition revisits the most significant events in Barcelona's history.

## MUHBA Vil·la Joana. Casa Verdaguer

(Ctra de l'Església, 104. Vallvidrera). T. 93 204 78 05. www.museuhistoria.bcn.cat. Sat & Sun, 10am-2pm. Tue-Wed, groups (by appt) only. Closed Mon.

➡ **Permanent exhibition** The poet Jacint Verdaguer, one of the great figures in the revival of Catalan as a literary language, spent the last years of his life in this 19<sup>th</sup> century villa.

## Museu Blau

(Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del

Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). T. 93 256 60 02. [www.museuencienies.bcn.cat](http://www.museuencienies.bcn.cat) Tue-Sun & public holidays, 10am-8pm. Closed Mon. 6 €. Museum & Botanical Gardens, 7 €.

### Aliens. Exotic species invade

Until 31 Jan. How do invasive species arrive in an ecosystem, and what are the consequences?

### Espai Terra: Catalonia as seen

by you Until 31 Jan. Photographs of remote areas, unusual land formations, flora, fauna and meteorology –everything that relates to the geography of the Catalan-speaking regions.

## Museu de Badalona

(Pl. Assemblea de Catalunya, 1). Badalona. M: Pep Ventura (L2). T. 93 384 17 50. [www.museudebadalona.cat](http://www.museudebadalona.cat) Tue-Sat, 10am-2pm & 5-8pm Sun & public holidays, 10am-2pm. 6 €.

**Art and war. The destruction, looting and safeguarding of Catalonia's cultural heritage during the Civil War.** Tues-Sat, 10am-2pm and 5pm-8pm. Sun, 10am-2pm 29 Nov. 27 Jan. The effects of the Civil War on Catalonia's historical, artistic and architectural heritage.

**Playstories. Playing and learning with clicks.** Tue-Sat, 10am-2pm & 5-8pm. Sun, 10am-2pm. 13 Dec-27 Jan. Display of Playmobil figures, with dioramas that will transport you to the age of dinosaurs, prehistory, Ancient Egypt and other far-flung times and places.

## Museu de l'Eròtica

(La Rambla, 96, bis). M: Catalunya (L1-L3). T. 93 318 98 65. [www.erotica-museum.com](http://www.erotica-museum.com). Mon-Sun, 10am-8pm. Adults 9 €. Reduced 8 €.

**Permanent Exhibition** Discover the weirdest and most way-out secrets of human sexuality.

## Museu de la Moto de Barcelona

(Carrer de la Palla, 10). T. 933 186 584. [www.museumoto.com](http://www.museumoto.com). Tues-Sat, 10am-2pm & 4.30pm-8.30pm. Sun 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. 6 €. Reduced entry: 4 €.

**The Montjuïc International 24 hour race** Until 30 June. An homage to a race that was held from 1955 to 1986.

## Museu de la Música

(Padilla, 155). M: Glòries (L1) & Marina

(L1). T. 93 256 36 50. [www.museumusica.bcn.cat](http://www.museumusica.bcn.cat) Mon-Sat., 10am-6pm. Sun, 10am-8pm. Closed Tues. 4 €. Reduced 3 €. Free admission Sun afternoon.

**The sound of light. Mompou & Gaudí** 13 Dec-3 June. The parallels between the music of Frederic Mompou (1893-1987) and the architecture of Antoni Gaudí (1852-1926).

## Museu del Futbol Club Barcelona

(Ar'stides Maillol, s/n. FCB stadium. Access gates 7 or 9). M: Les Corts (L3). T. 902 18 99 00. [www.fcbarcelona.cat](http://www.fcbarcelona.cat). From 2 April to 7 Oct: Mon-Sat, 10am - 8pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-2.30pm. 8 Oct - 1 April: Mon-Sat., 10am - 6.30pm. Sun &/ public holidays, 10am - 2.30pm. Camp Nou Tour available until one hour before museum closing time. 22 €. Children 16.50 €. Under 6s and FCB members, free.

**Permanent Exhibition. The Camp Nou Experience.** Discover 100 years of the club's history, visit different zones of the Camp Nou and relive the club's greatest moments in the multimedia zone.

## Museu del Modernisme Català

(Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4). T. 93 272 28 96. [www.mmcat.cat](http://www.mmcat.cat). Mon-Sat., 10am. 8pm Sun & public holidays, 10am-2pm. 10 €.

### Permanent Exhibition

## Museu Egipci

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4). T. 93 488 01 88. [www.museuegipci.com](http://www.museuegipci.com). Mon-Sun 10am-8pm. Sun, 10am-2pm. Adults 11 €. Reduced, 8 €.

**Tutankhamen: The history of a find** 30 Nov. 31 May. Marking the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the great archaeological find, this exhibition describes the discovery of Tutankhamen's tomb.

## Museu Frederic Marès

(Plaça de Sant Iu, 5). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 35 00. Tue-Sat, 10am-7pm. Sun & public holidays, 11am-8pm. Closed Mon except public holidays. 4.20 €.

**Irreverent Barcelona** 4 Dec-26 May A reflection on public festivities in 19<sup>th</sup> century Barcelona, focusing on the city's many cultural associations.

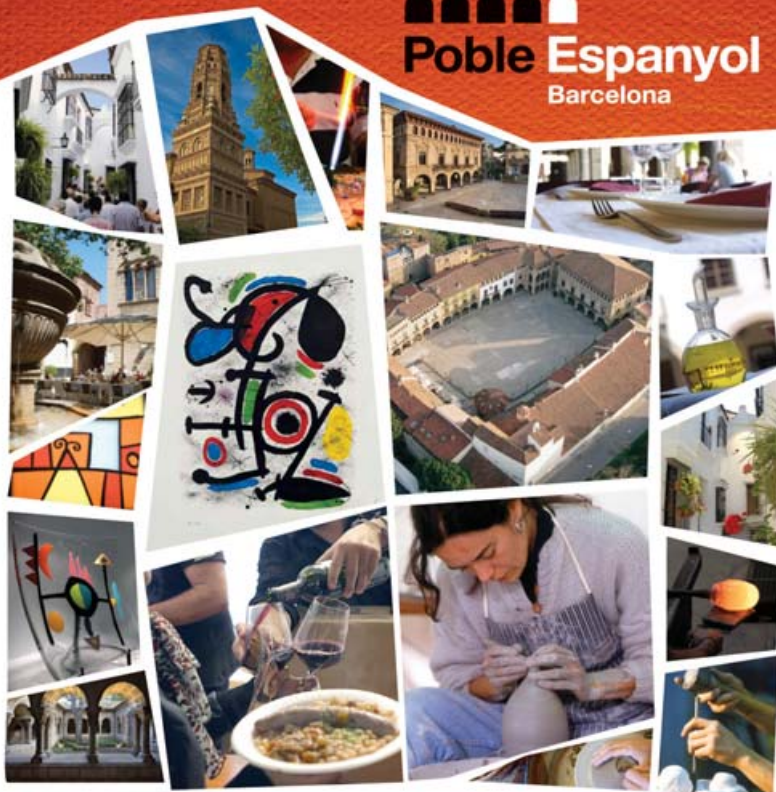
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## Museu Olímpic i de l'Esport Joan Antoni Samaranch

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). T. 93 292 53 79. [www.museuolimpicbcn.cat](http://www.museuolimpicbcn.cat). Tues-Sat 10am-8pm. Sun & public holidays, de 10 a 14.30 h. 4.50 €. Students, 2.60 €. Under-14s free. Over-65s free.

 **III International Award for Sport Themed Watercolours and Other Works on Paper** 6 Sept-21 Dec. Works from the award shortlist.  
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## Museu Picasso

(Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). T. 93 256 30 00. [www.museupicasso.bcn.cat](http://www.museupicasso.bcn.cat). Tue-Sun, 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). 11 € (combined ticket for museum + temporary exhibition). Temporary exhibition only: 6 €.

**Picasso's ceramics: a gift from Jacqueline to Barcelona** 26 Oct-1 April. Exhibition featuring 41 original ceramic works by Picasso to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their donation to the city by his daughter Jacqueline Picasso.

## Palau Robert

(Pg. de Gràcia, 107). M: Diagonal (L3-L5). T. 93 238 80 91. [www.gencat.cat/probert](http://www.gencat.cat/probert). Mon-Sat, 10am-7pm. Sun & public holidays, 10am-2.30pm.

**FREE Sales 1 & 2. Photographs from the New York Times Magazine** 28 Sept-2 Dec. An examination of the nature of photography at a crucial moment in the development of the printed press.

**FREE Sala 1. 20 years of Lux** 12 Dec-30 April. Selection of winning photographs from 20 years of the Lux Prizes, showcasing the best professional photography in Spain.

**FREE Sala 2. Joan Fuster. We the Valencians** 18 Dec-17 Feb. Marking the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of writer Joan Fuster's 'We the Catalans', a historical, political, social and cultural essay that was one of the author's most important works.

**FREE Sala 3. Ferran Adrià & El Bulli-Risk, Freedom and Creativity** Until 3 Jan. The creative genius of Ferran Adrià, probably the most influential chef in the world, whose talent and flair for innovation have turned 21st-century gastronomy upside-down.

**FREE Sala 4. Catalan: a language for everyone.** 21 Nov-5 Jan. Celebration

of thirty years of campaigns to raise awareness and promote the use of Catalan.

## Virreina Centre de la Imatge

(La Rambla, 99). M: Liceu (L3). T. 93 316 10 00. [www.bcn.cat/virreina-centredelaimatge](http://www.bcn.cat/virreina-centredelaimatge) Tue-Sun, noon-8pm.

**FREE Aim Deüelle Lüski. Residual images. Documentary photography in dark times** 23 Oct-13 Jan. Since the 1970s, Photographer Aim Deüelle Lüski has invented an enormous variety of cameras and this exhibition shows how he has used them.

**FREE As it is. The photography of Miki Kratsman** 23 Oct-13 Jan. This exhibition brings together Kratsman's photographs and large-format projections about the conflict between the Israeli and Palestinian populations, taken over twenty years working as a photojournalist

## Theatre

### El Molino

(Vilà i Vilà, 99). [www.elmolinobcn.com](http://www.elmolinobcn.com). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).

**El Molino lifts your spirits** Thur-Sun., 6.30 pm. 33 €.

Risque show that looks back over the history of the legendary El Molino theatre, with feathers and sequins, vintage entertainment and a generous dose of humour and audience participation.

**El Molino Burlesque Fever** Thu-Sun 9.30pm. 33 €.

Sensual, daring and provocative burlesque.

### Teatre Gaudí Barcelona

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). T. 93 603 51 52. [www.teatregaudibarcelona.com](http://www.teatregaudibarcelona.com). M: Sagrada Família (L2-L5) & Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5).

**Our Personal Champions' league** by Cristina Clemente. Dir: Cristina Clemente. With Alicia Puertas and Santi Ricart. Thurs-Sat, 10.15pm. Sun., 8pm. 18 €. Until 2 Dec. In Catalan.

A young couple of an age to contemplate parenthood are subject to social and family pressures.

**Tell her you love her** by Ivan Campillo. Dir: Ivan Campillo. With Ivan Campillo, Silvia Fornis, Ramon Godino, Laura Sancho, Joan Sureda, Pep Anton Muñoz (voiceover). Fri & Sat 10.30pm. Sun, 8pm (From 2 Nov, Thur-Sat 8.30pm. Sun, 6pm. 18 €. Until Jan. In Catalan.

Comedy about life as a couple.

## Teatre Lliure: Gràcia

(Montseny, 47). T. 93 238 76 25. [www.teatrelivre.com](http://www.teatrelivre.com). M: Fontana (L3) & Joanic (L4).

**Grimègies (Pranks)** by Tortell Poltrona. Dir: Jaume Mateu. With Tortell Poltrona. Tue-Fri., 8.30pm Sat. 17.30pm & 9pm. Sun 6pm. 17-25 €. 19-30 Dec. In Catalan.

A journey into a clown's old age, deconstructing many of our received ideas about death. On stage, the clown cheerfully gets ready for the great journey of his passing. He reflects and prepares to tackle the obstacles in his way.

**Trial of a whore** by Miguel del Arco. Dir: Miguel del Arco. Amb Carmen Machi. 60. Tue-Fri., 8.30pm Sat., 9pm. Sun., 6pm. From 21.30 to 30.25 €. 28 Nov. 16 Dec. In Spanish

Dramatic monologue about Helen of Troy, the woman accused of causing the most famous war in history.

## Teatre Lliure: Montjuïc

(Pg. Santa Madrona, 40-46). T. 93 289 27 70. [www.teatrelivre.com](http://www.teatrelivre.com). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC) & Poble Sec (L3).

**Adventure!** By Alfredo Sanzol. Dir: Alfredo Sanzol. With Mamen Duch, Marta Pérez, Carme Pla, Albert Ribalta, Jordi Rico, Agata Roca. Tue-Fri., 8.30pm. Sat 5.30pm & 9pm. Sun, 6pm. From 19 to 27 €. 29 Nov-30 Dec. In Catalan.

The story of six business partners who receive an offer from a Chinese company and who, instead of selling their company, end up selling one of the partners.

## Teatre Nacional de Catalunya

(Pl. de les Arts, 1). T. 93 306 57 00. [www.tnc.cat](http://www.tnc.cat). M: Glòries (L1) & Monumental (L2).

**Dance of the puppets** by Ramon Vinyes (Dramaturgy by Ramon Simó). Dir: Ramon Simó. Wed-Fri, 8pm. Sat 5 & 9.30pm. Sun, 6pm. (5 Jan, performance at 9.30pm). From 15.69 to 31.37 €. 13 Dec-20 Jan. In Catalan.

This hilarious, frenetic, critical play begins on Christmas Eve, when an angel falls to Earth... and lands in a brothel.

**Our tigers drink milk** by Albert Espinosa. Dir: Albert Espinosa. With Marc Balaguer, Andreu Benito, Marcel Borràs, Carlos Cuevas, Francesc Garrido, Andrés Herrera, Mikel Iglesias, Daniel Sicart. Wed-Fri, 8pm. Sat, 5pm and 9.30pm. (except 5 Jan, single function at 9.30pm). Sun., 6pm. From Jan, Wed 5pm

and 8pm. From 19.05 to 38.09 €. 20 de Dec-3 Feb. In Catalan.

A family with a difficult past and hidden secrets. The story begins with a football match.

**Journey to the moon** by Albert Guinovart, Pau Miró, Josep Maria Espinàs and Xavier Montsalvatge. Dir: Pau Miró. With Miguel Cobos, Anna Moliner and the Murtra Ensemble. Wed-Fri 8pm. Sat & Sun., 6pm. 12-14 Dec, 10.30am. From 11.20 to 22.41 €. 12 Dec-6 Jan. In Catalan. This reworking of 'Journey to the moon,' a musical theatre piece by catalan composer Xavier Montsalvatge, was created to mark the centenary of his birth. It brings together two generations of creators.

## Dance

### Mercat de les Flors

(Lleida, 59). T. 93 426 18 75. [www.mercatflors.cat](http://www.mercatflors.cat). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC) & Poble Sec (L3).

**Mazut. Baró d'Evel Cirk Cie Blai Mateu Trias & Camille Decourtye.** Dir: Camille Decourtye & Blai Mateu Trias. With Camille Decourtye & Blai Mateu Trias. 8.30pm. Sun. 6pm. From 18.50 to 22 €. 13-16 Dec.

The Baró D'evol company returns to the Mercat with 'Mazut' in which Blai Mateu Trias and Camille Decourtye, a duo who have revitalised the visual language of circus performance, guide the audience in an investigation that becomes a ceremony, a ritual, an obsession with freeing the body and allowing it to take control.

### Teatre Gaudí Barcelona

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). T. 93 603 51 52. [www.teatregaudibarcelona.com](http://www.teatregaudibarcelona.com). M: Sagrada Família (L2-L5) & Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5).

**Happy Ha Ha** Dir: Mercedes Boronat. Sat 6pm. Sun noon. 9 €.

Dance show for the whole family in which gestures, dance and music are used to express the experiences of three characters.

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## Saturday 1

### Classical music

**8.30pm**

**The Art of the Guitar.**  
**'Carmen'** *Parròquia de Santa Anna*  
(*Santa Anna*, 29). 21 €. Spanish guitar  
concert with music by Isaac Albéniz,  
Enric Granados, Joaquín Rodrigo,  
Pablo Sarasate and Francesc Tàrraga.

**7pm**

**OBC & Barbablava** *L'Auditori*  
(*Lepant*, 150). *M: Glòries (L1),*  
*Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).*  
From 23 to 51 €. Works by Bartók and  
Shostakovich.

### Flamenco

**9.30pm**

**Flamenco Nights at the**  
**Palau Dalmaes** *Palau Dalmaes*  
(*Montcada*, 20). *M: Jaume I (L4).*  
*Mon-Sat a les 9.30pm.* 20 €. Dance  
performers are accompanied by guitar,  
voice and cajón in one of the most  
beautiful palaces of the Ribera district  
of Barcelona.

### Folk

**8.30pm**

**Josh Rouse** *La [2] de l'Àpolo (Nou*  
*de la Rambla*, 111). *M: Paral·lel*  
(*L2-L3*). U.S. folk singer-  
songwriter Josh Rouse  
performs a special  
intimate gig.

### Jazz

**8 & 10pm**

**Last Minute**  
**Experience** *Jamboree*  
(*Pt. Reial*, 17). *M: Liceu (L3).*  
The group led by Galician  
drummer Carlos López in pursuit  
of their most urban sound yet, with  
vocalist MC Stormy, from London.

### Kids

**11 & 12.30am**

**Bim bom, nadons at the Palau**

*Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de*  
*la Música*, 4-6). *M: Urquinaona (L1-*  
*L4).* T. 93 295 72 00. 11 & 12.30am.  
14 € adult/ 6 € children. Music and  
movement for babies up to one year old.

## Pop

**9pm**

**Alejandro Sanz** *Palau de la Música*  
*Catalana (Palau de la Música*, 4-6). *M:*  
*Urquinaona (L1-L4).* From 30 to 160 €.  
One of Spain's best-known pop voices  
performs his new album 'La música  
no se toca' and looks back over his  
greatest hits at the Palau.

## Guided visit

**Daytime tour of La Pedrera**

*La Pedrera (Provença*, 261-265). *M:*  
*Provença (FGC) & Diagonal (L3-L5).*  
16,50 €. Reduced: 14,85 €. Visit the  
essential spaces inside Antoni Gaudí's  
masterpiece.

**Daytime tour of Casa Batlló**

*Casa Batlló (Pg. de Gràcia*, 43). *M:*  
*Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4).* Mon-  
Fri., 9am-9pm (with audio guide).  
18,15 €. Discover the extraordinary  
interior of Casa Batlló, one of Gaudí's  
most beautiful buildings, classified as  
a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2005.

## Sunday 2

### Classical music

**6pm**

**OBC & Barbablava** *L'Auditori*  
(*Lepant*, 150). *M: Glòries (L1),*  
*Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).* From  
23 to 51 €. Works by Bartók and  
Shostakovich.

**11.30am**

**The Band's**  
**Symphonic Side**

*L'Auditori (Lepant*,  
*150).* *M: Glòries (L1),*  
*Monumental (L2) &*  
*Marina (L1).* 14 €. The  
Barcelona Municipal Band  
plays works by Dvořák,  
Tchaikovsky, Reed, Barnes,  
Borodin and Kalinnikov.

**9pm**

**Pedro J. González: Masters of**  
**the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa*  
*Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas*, 16). *M:*  
*Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4).* 21 €. Spanish  
guitar recital.

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the **Cathedral**  
and the **Sagrada**  
**Família** host the city's  
largest Christmas fairs,  
while the Three Kings  
fair spreads along  
Gran Via [www.bcn.cat/nadal](http://www.bcn.cat/nadal)

**7.30pm**

**Concert cycle: Piranesi at the CaixaForum** *CaixaForum* (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: *Espanya* (L1-L3-FGC). 7.30pm. Concert cycle to complement the exhibition 'The arts of Piranesi'. Works by Bach and Ferneyhough.

## Flamenco

**9.30pm**

**Great Flamenco Gala** *Palau de la Música Catalana* (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: *Urquinaona* (L1-L4). From 30 to 45 €. The show that brings the exhilarating rhythms and movements of flamenco to Barcelona.

## Football

 **Spanish League. FC Barcelona-Athletic Club** *Camp Nou* (Aristides Maillol, s/n). Times tbc.

## Kids

**9.30pm**

**Màgic Andreu: Capitain McAndreu** *Poble Espanyol* (Av. de

*Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13)*. M: *Espanya* (L1-L3-FGC). Sun, 12.30pm. 2, 16, 23 & 30 Dec. Family magic show with entertainer Màgic Andreu.

**11 & 12.30am**

**Bim bom, nadons at the Palau** *Palau de la Música Catalana* (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: *Urquinaona* (L1-L4). T. 93 295 72 00. 11 & 12.30am. 14 € adult/ 6 € children. Music and movement for babies up to one year old.

## Traditions

**10am**

**FREE Nativity scene at Plaça Sant Jaume** *Plaça Sant Jaume* (Plaça de Sant Jaume). M: *Jaume I* (L4). 10am-8.30pm. Until 6 Jan..

## Guided visit

**11.30am (in Catalan) & 12.30pm (in Spanish)**

**FREE Guided tour of Poble Nou cemetery** *Cementiri de Poblenou* (Av. Icària, s/n). M: *Llacuna* (L4). A guided tour of 19<sup>th</sup>-century Barcelona, as

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## Monday 3

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### Classical music

#### 8pm

**Bejun Metha** *Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59)*. *M: Liceu (L3)*. From 9 to 122 €. After his triumphant 'Tamerlano,' Bejun Mehta returns with more works by Händel.

#### 8.30pm

**Chamber music with musicians of OBC** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150)*. *M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1)*. 8.30pm. 17 €. Works by Janacek, Villa-lobos, Amarós, Françaix.

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## Wednesday 5

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### Entertainer

#### 8.30pm

**Raphael** *Coliseum (Gran Via, 595)*. *M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4)*. From 20 to 55 €. The veteran Spanish singer promotes his latest album 'Lo mejor de mi vida,' a compilation of his greatest hits.

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### Rock

#### 9.30pm

**El Canijo de Jerez** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113)*. *M: Paral·lel (L2-L3)*. Marcos del Ojo, aka 'El Canijo de Jerez' and a member of the band Los Delinquentes promotes his solo outing.

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## Thursday 6

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### Classical music

#### 9pm

 **Ekaterina Záyitseva: Masters of the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16)*. *M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4)*. 21 €. Spanish guitar recital.

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## Friday 7

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### Blues

#### 6pm

**Blues at Palau Gomis-MEAM: Groove Band** *MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5)*. *M: Jaume I (L4)*. 9 €. Soul, funk & rhythm and blues at Palau Gomis, a

striking 18<sup>th</sup> century palace in the Born district.

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### Jazz

#### 8 & 10pm

**Bob Sands and Dexterity** *Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17)*. *M: Liceu (L3)*. Formed as a tribute to Dexter Gordon, tonight the band will be combining Gordon classics with standards and works by other jazz musicians of the late twentieth century.


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## Saturday 8

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### Classical music

#### 8.30pm

 **The Art of the Guitar. 'Carmen'** *Parròquia de Santa Anna (Santa Anna, 29)*. 21 €. The Spanish guitar in concert with music by I. Albéniz, E. Granados, J. Rodrigo, P. Sarasate, F. Tárrega and others.


#### 6pm

 **Classical Saturdays at Palau Gomis-MEAM** *MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5)*. *M: Jaume I (L4)*. 14 €. (Includes: museum visit, concert and light meal). The Modern European Art Museum, located in a striking 18<sup>th</sup> century palace, offers classical music and food every Saturday.

#### 9.30pm

 **Ekaterina Záyitseva: Masters of the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16)*. *M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4)*. 9.30pm. 21 €. Spanish guitar recital.

#### 10pm

 **Opera Nights at the Palau Dalmaes** *Palau Dalmaes (Montcada, 20)*. *M: Jaume I (L4)*. 20 €. Live opera in one of the most beautiful palaces of the Ribera district.

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## Kids

#### 1pm

**Street art at CaixaForum: The**



**magic of Antonio Díaz** *CaixaForum* (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). *M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC)*. 1pm. From 6 to 9 Dec. Prize-winning Spanish magician Antonio Díaz is a master of indie magic: a world of fresh, spontaneous tricks and illusions.

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## Sunday 9

### Blues

**8 & 10pm**

**Little Victor & Friends** *Jamboree* (Pl. Reial, 17). *M: Liceu (L3)*. 8 & 10pm. Multiple prize-winning blues artist Little Victor, a mainstay of the contemporary blues scene.

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### Classical music

**9pm**

 **Ekaterina Záyitseva: Masters of the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16)*. *M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4)*. 21 €. Spanish guitar recital.

**12pm**

 **Spanish & Catalan Music** *Gala Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6)*. *M: Urquinaona (L1-L4)*. 30 €. Chamber music, piano works and songs by Falla, Albéniz, Granados, Toldrà and other Spanish and Catalan composers.

**7pm**

**William Christie & Orchestra and the choir of Les Arts Florissants** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150)*. *M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1)*. 7pm. From 25 to 80 €. William Christie, one of the best-known personalities in the world of early music, and leader of Les Arts Florissants, presents Händel's opera, 'Belshazzar', inspired by the biblical story of the fall of Babylon.

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### Folk traditions

**11.30am**

**FREE Sardanes** *Parc de la Guineueta (Parc de la Guineueta)*. *M: Via Júlia (L4)*. Traditional Catalan folk dance. A great experience.

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### Football

**Spanish League. RCD Espanyol-Sevilla FC** *Estadi Cornellà-El Prat (Ava. del Baix Llobregat, 100)*. *Cornellà de Llobregat*. Times tbc.

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## Guided visit

**11am (in Catalan) & 11.15am (in Spanish)**

**FREE Guided tour of Montjuïc Cemetery** *Cementiri de Montjuïc (Mare de Déu del Port, 56-58)*. Guided tour of this huge cemetery, on the slopes of Montjuïc, to learn about the famous names buried here, and discover some striking works of funerary art.

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## Monday 10

### Classical music

**9pm**

**Cecilia Bartoli & Kammerorchester Basel** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150)*. *M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) i Marina (L1)*. 9pm. From 40 to 120 €. A performance by Italian mezzo-soprano Cecilia Bartoli, one of the opera world's greatest voices, is always headline news. She returns to Barcelona to present her latest album, 'Mission' accompanied by the prestigious Basel Chamber Orchestra.

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### Rock

**8pm**

**Father John Misty** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113)*. *M: Paral·lel (L2-L3)*. Father John Misty, the new moniker adopted by J. Tilman, until recently drummer in The Fleet Foxes, promotes his latest album.

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## Tuesday 11

### Hip-hop

**9pm**

**Mucho Muchacho & Cookin Soul** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113)*. *M: Paral·lel (L2-L3)*. Spanish hip-hop legend Mucho Muchacho performs tracks from his first solo album in ten years. As part of the concert, fans will be able to conduct a live interview with the star. With special guests Cookin'Soul, the first European hip-hop producers to make it big in the States.

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## Wednesday 12

### Jazz

**8 & 10pm**

**Biel Ballester Trio + Robin Noland**

*Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3).*  
The Biel Ballester Trio see out 2012 with a special guest: Robin Nolan, the great exponent of Jazz Manouche. A night of the very best Gypsy Jazz.

## World music

**8.30pm**

**Bongo Botrako** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Promoting new album 'Revoltosa'.

## Thursday 13

### Gospel

**9pm**

**Gospel Greats: Soweto Gospel Choir** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4). From 20.50 to 46.50 €.* The first South African group to perform at the Oscar ceremony, the Soweto Gospel Choir, perform gospel with vibrant African rhythms and vocal harmonies.

### Pop

**9pm**

**Mine!** *La [2] de líApolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3). 9pm.* Pop with an experimental hint from Mine!, a group that addresses contemporary problems bluntly and honestly.

## Friday 14

### Classical music

**8.30pm**

**The sound of light. Mompou & Gaudi** *LiAuditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 15 €.* Gaudi's work accompanied by the music of Catalan composer Mompou.

**9pm**

**OBG preforming Pau Casals** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). From 23 to 51 €.* The symphonic orchestra of Barcelona and Catalonia performs 'The Nativity' by Pau Casals.

### Flamenco

**9pm**

**De flamencos y otras aves**

**festival: Arcángel** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Flamenco singer.

## Rock

**9pm**

**Millenium Festival: Steve Vai** *Razzmatazz (Almogàvers, 122). M: Marina (L1) & Bogatell (L4).* Steve Vai, the guitarist who revolutionised instrumental rock, brings his latest album 'The story of light' to Barcelona.

## Tango

**8.30pm**

**Duo Gorka Hermosa & Silvia Márquez** *LiAuditori Sala 4 (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 17 €.*

## Saturday 15

### Classical music

**6pm**

**Classical Saturdays at Palau Gomis-MEAM** *MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). 14 €.*

*(Includes: museum visit, concert and light meal).* The Modern European Art Museum, located in a striking 18<sup>th</sup> century palace, offers classical music and food every Saturday.

**9.30pm**

**Manuel González: Masters of the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 21 €.* Classic spanish guitar recital.

**7pm**

**Music at the Museum of Modernisme Català** *Museu del Modernisme Català (Balma, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4).*

Most of Barcelona's museums, as well as other city institutions, organise family activities during the Christmas holidays. [www.bcn.cat](http://www.bcn.cat)



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## Rock

**10.30pm**

**Millenium Festival: Brit Floyd**

*Sant Jordi Club (Passeig Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). 10.30pm.* Tribute band Brit Floyd recreate the legendary live concerts of Pink Floyd in their show 'A Foot in the Door'.

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## Rumba

**9pm**

**Rulo & la Contrabanda Razzmatazz** (*Almogàvers, 122*). *M: Marina (L1) & Bogatell (L4). 20 €.* Raúl Gutiérrez, aka Rulo, ex-frontman of La Fuga, promotes his latest album with La Contrabanda, 'Especies en extinción'.

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## Sunday 16

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### Race

**10.30am**

**Montjuic Castle Race-Buff Epic**

*Run Castell de Montjuïc (Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC). 10km race with a range of obstacles.*

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## Classical music

**6pm**

**Chamber concert in the Musical Residences cycle**

*La Pedrera (Provença, 261-265). M: Provença (FGC) & Diagonal (L3-L5). 12 €.* Works by Mozart & Brahms.

**6pm**

**Christmas concert**

*L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). 14 €.* Jan Cober, one of the best-known conductors in Europe, brings a dazzling Christmas concert to Barcelona, with works by Tchaikovsky, Shostakovich and Maslanka.

**11am**

**OBC performs Pau Casals**

*L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). From 23 to 51 €.* Performance of 'The Nativity' by Pau Casals.

**7pm**

**Choral Christmas**



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*(Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) i Marina (L1). 7pm. 17 €.* Choral interpretation of the 'Cantata de Nadal' by Ferrer.

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## Football

 **Spanish League. FC Barcelona-Athletic de Madrid** *Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). Times tbc.* A traditional match.

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## Pop

**9pm**

**Millenium Festival: Mishima**

*Coliseum (Gran Via, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2-L3-L4).* The biggest name in Barcelona's indie scene.

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## Monday 17

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### Classical music

**9pm**

**Jordi Savall. The Original Sound.**

**'Judici Signum'** *Santa Maria del Mar (Plaça Santa Maria). M: Arc de Triomf (L1) & Jaume I (L4). From 25 to 35 €.* The Capella Reial de Catalunya and Hespèrion XXI, led by Jordi Savall, one of the most prolific early music performers in the world, perform 'Judici Signum'.

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## Tuesday 18

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### Classical music

**8.30pm**

**Faust Trio & Rudin & Melnikov**

*L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).* 28 €. Works by Beethoven, Schumann & Smetana.

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## Rock

**8.30pm**

**Crator** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4).* 17 €. Catalan rockers present their first album 'Males llengües' at the Palau.

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## Wednesday 19

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### Classical music

**9pm**

👉 **Händel's Messiah** *Santa Maria del Mar (Plaça Santa Maria). M: Arc de Triomf (L1) & Jaume I (L4).* 24.50 €. G. F. Händel's most famous oratorio, performed by the Lieder Càmera Choir and the Catalan Baroque Orchestra.

**Händel's Messiah with the Matheus Ensemble** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4).* From 17 to 112 €. The 'Messiah' performed by the Matheus Ensemble conducted by Jean-Cristoph Spinosi, with the Palau de la Música Chamber Choir.

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## Pop

**9pm**

**Mikel Erentxun + Lapido + Txetxu Altube (Los Madison)** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Pop singer-songwriter Mikel Erentxun performs tracks from his back catalogue, with a live question and answer session, and guests invited by the performer himself.

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## Thursday 20

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### Blues

**8pm**

**A Jambophonix Christmas: Mambo Jambo** *La Pedrera Auditori (Provença, 261-265). M: Provença (FGC) & Diagonal (L3-L5).* 8 €. A Christmas concert with a difference, featuring the biggest names in Catalan rhythm'n'blues, rock'n'roll and swing.

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## Electronica

**8pm**

**Orxata Sound System +**

**Ensaladilla So Insistent** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Valencian group Orxata Sound System promote their third album, '3.0', supported by Ensaladilla So Insistent, the legendary improvisational singing group.

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## Gospel

**9pm**

**Gospel Greats: Walt Whitman & Soul Children + Cor Carlit** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).* 9pm. From 17.50 to 44.50 €.

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## Tango

**8 & 10pm**

**The New Tango Sound Jamboree** *(Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3).*

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## Friday 21

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### Blues

**6pm**

👉 **Blues at Palau Gomis-MEAM. The Night Dogs** *MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4).* 9 €. Funk and blues at Palau Gomis, a striking 18<sup>th</sup> century palace in the Born district.

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## Classical music

**9.30pm**

**Bou Revisited: The music of Vicenç Bou** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).* 15 €. Works by Vicenç Bou, one of the best-known composers of the Sardana, the traditional Catalan dance. His music is a staple at dances and public celebrations all over the region.

**9pm**

**OBC plays 'Cinderella'** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).* From 23 to 51 €. OBC performs works by Strauss, Prokofiev, Tchaikovsky and Humperdinck inspired by the tales 'Cinderella' and 'Hansel and Gretel'

**9pm**

👉 **Xavier Coll. Masters of the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4).* 21 €. Classic Spanish guitar concert at a centric church.

## Gospel

9pm

**Millenium Festival: The Jackson Singers** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4). 9pm.* The famous U.S. gospel choir bring their message of peace, love and tolerance to Barcelona, with a healthy side-serving of rhythm and heavenly harmonies.

## Metal

8pm

**Adrift + Moksha** *La [2] de liApolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Madrid-based metal group Adrift, drawing on a wide range of influences from the sludge/post-metal of Neurosis and Isis to the all-out rock of Kyuss or Too, supported by Catalan group Moksha.

## Saturday 22

### Classical music

7pm

**Festival of waltzes and other**

**dances** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4). From 13 to 46 €.* Year after year, the dances of the Strauss family come to life at the Palau, performed by the Vallès Symphonic Orchestra, to celebrate the arrival of Christmas and the New Year.

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10pm

**Opera Nights at the Palau Dalmases** *Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). 20 €* Live opera in one of the most beautiful palaces of the Ribera district.

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**8pm**  
 **Rusalka** Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). From 11.50 to 223 €. One of the best-loved operas by Czech composer Antonín Dvořák, in Stefan Herheim's stunning production.

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## Sunday 23

### Folk traditions

**10.30am**  
\* **FREE Sardanas** Parc de la Guineueta (Parc de la Guineueta). M: Via Júlia (L4). Traditional Catalan folk dance.

## Flamenco

**7.30pm**  
**Miguel Poveda** Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). From 24 to 65 €. An international flamenco star, the Catalan 'cantaor' Miguel Poveda presents his highly-acclaimed new album 'ArteSano' at the Liceu. If you haven't never listened to him, don't miss it.

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## Monday 24

### Concert

**11.30am**  
**Catalan Christmas Carols** Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC).

## Tuesday 25

### Jazz

**8pm & 10pm**  
**Christmas swings in Barcelona** Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 13 € Is there anything better than celebrating Christmas with a session led by the singer Randy Greer with pianist Ignasi Terraza's trio?

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## Wednesday 26

### Classical music

**7pm**  
**Concert de Sant Esteve. From tradition to jazz!** Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4). From 29 to 43 €. The choir of the Orfeó Català and other choral schools pay homage to Britten and other key composers of choral music, alongside jazz versions of Christmas carols.

**9pm**  
**Strauss Gala** L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1). From 18 to 46 €. Waltzes, polkas, marches and arias by the Strauss family performed by the Astana Philharmonic Orchestra.

**9pm**  
 **Manuel González: Masters of the Spanish Guitar** Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 9pm. 21 €. Spanish guitar recital.

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## Thursday 27

### Folk

9pm

**Millenium Festival: Los Sabadeños** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4).*

9pm. Renowned as the greatest performers of the Canary Islands' folk music, Los Sabadeños are also masters of the Latin American folk repertoire.

### Classical music

9pm

**Manuel González: Masters of the Spanish Guitar** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16). M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4). 21 €.* Spanish guitar concert in a lovely place.

8pm

**Rusalka** *Gran Teatre del Liceu*

*(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). From 11.50 to 223 €.* One of the best-loved operas by Czech composer Antonín Dvořák, in Stefan Herheim's stunning production. So powerful and personal is his concept of drama that he successfully weaves Dvořák's Symbolist universe into a fascinating world of his own. His version is one of the most sought-after by opera houses throughout the world.

### Flamenco

7pm

**Opera and Flamenco** *Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1-L3). From 30 to 45 €.* This innovative show mixes opera, the Spanish tradition of 'zarzuela' – a Spanish opera for the working-classes, with spoken parts – and flamenco music.

### Workshop

11am

**Christmas workshop 'A lantern for the Three Wise Men'** *Basilica de la Sagrada Família (Mallorca,*

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401). *M: Sagrada Família (L2-L5)*. Discover the Sagrada Família and make your own paper lantern. Family workshop with guided tour. For 5 to 12 year-olds.

## Friday 28

### Singer-songwriter

**9pm**  
**Millenium Festival: Paco Ibáñez** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6)*. *M: Urquinaona (L1-L4)*. The Valencian singer-songwriter puts the poems of great Latin American authors to music.

### Flamenco

**9pm**  
**De flamencos y otras aves festival: Montse Cortés & Paco Heredia and friends** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113)*. *M: Paral·lel (L2-L3)*. Montse Cortés, one of the most promising young 'cantaoras' in the flamenco scene, and guitarist Paco Heredia, together with ten up-and-coming artists onstage at Apolo.

**9pm**  
**De flamencos y otras aves Festival: Piculabe** *La [2] de líApolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111)*. *M: Paral·lel (L2-L3)*. 9pm. Piculabe, also known as 'the son of Camarón de la Isla' presents his second album 'Canta y sueña'.

### Folk traditions

**7pm**  
**FREE Christmas carols** *Pl. del Rei*. *M: Pl. del Rei (L4), Liceu (L3)*. Traditional Catalan carols. Experience real catalan Christmas in the old town of the city.

### Kids

**12pm**  
**Christmas at CaixaForum: Grimm's Forest** *CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8)*. *M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC)*. T. 93 476 86 00.

**11am**  
**Christmas workshop 'A lantern for the Three Wise Men'** *Basilica de la Sagrada Família (Mallorca, 401)*. *M: Sagrada Família (L2-L5)*. Discover the Sagrada Família and make your own paper lantern. Family workshop with guided tour. For 5 to 12 year-olds.

### Pop

**9pm**  
**Millenium Festival: Malú** *Gran Teatre del Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59)*. *M: Liceu (L3)*. Spanish vocalist Malu, from Madrid, freely blends pop, flamenco and Latin influences.

### Rock

**10pm**  
**CaixaForum Concert: Radian** *CaixaForum (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8)*. *M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC)*. Austrian trio Radian bring together rock, jazz and electronica to create one of the Thrill Jockey label's most unclassifiable sounds.

## Saturday 29

### Classical music

**9pm**  
**Barcelona 4 Guitars** *Església de Santa Maria del Pi (Cardenal Casañas, 16)*. *M: Liceu (L3) & Jaume I (L4)*. 21 €. Classical Spanish guitar recital.

**6pm**  
**Classical Saturdays at Palau Gomis-MEAM** *MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern (Barra de Ferro, 5)*. *M: Jaume I (L4)*. 14 €. (Includes: museum visit, concert and



light meal). The Modern European Art Museum, located in a striking 18<sup>th</sup> century palace, offers classical music and food every Saturday.

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## Flamenco

**9pm**

**De flamencos y otras aves festival: El Torta & Diego del Morao** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Juan Moneo 'El Torta', one of the most gifted flamenco singers to emerge in recent years, accompanied onstage by guitarist Diego del Morao.

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## Jazz

**9pm**

**Cege Giannotti** *La [2] de liApolo (Nou de la Rambla, 111). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* Canadian by birth, Barcelonian by adoption, Cege Giannotti present his new project 'Escape'.

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## World music

**9pm**

**Millenium Festival: Chambao** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4).* The band from Malaga, known for their mix of flamenco and chill out, conclude this year's tour at the modernist venue Palau de la Música.

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## Pop

**10pm**

**Manuel Carrasco** *Sant Jordi Club (Passeig Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC).* 22 €. The Spanish singer returns to Barcelona to close his current tour, promoting his latest album 'Habla'.

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## Sunday 30

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## Classical music

**6pm**

**Barcelona Municipal Band: New Year Concert** *L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2) & Marina (L1).* 6pm. 14 €. The Municipal Band plays Strauss's classic waltzes and polkas, as well as Tchaikovsky's 'Romeo and Juliet'.

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## Folk traditions

**11.30am**

\* **FREE Sardanas** *Parc de la*

*Guineueta (Parc de la Guineueta). M: Via Júlia (L4).* Traditional Catalan folk dance.

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## Jazz

**8.30pm**

**Barcelona Jazz Orchestra** *Sala Apolo (Nou de la Rambla, 113). M: Paral·lel (L2-L3).* 8.30pm. Barcelona's big band, with a long tradition on their shoulders, bring rhythms and melodies for jazz lovers of all ages. Their shows are Heaven on Earth for lindy hop dancers.

**8 & 10pm**

**Daniel Nel-lo & Company** *Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3).* 8 & 10pm. Barcelonian saxophonist presents his latest compositions.

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## Kids

**The Royal Postman receives children's letters to the Three Wise Men** *Poble Espanyol (Av. de Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1-L3-FGC).* De 11 a 14 i de 15 a 17 h. From 27 to 30 Dec.

**6pm**

**Millenium Festival: Macedònia** *Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1-L4).* From 12 to 20 €. Children's pop group Macedònia present their new album 'Despierta'.

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## Monday 31

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## Athletics

**FREE San Silvestre Open race & 'Cursa dels Nassos'. New Balance Grand Prize** *Carrer Selva de Mar/Plaça de Ramon Calsina (Plaça de Ramon Calsina).* One of the year's most eagerly anticipated sporting traditions, the 'Nose Race' refers to the tradition of the 'Home dels Nassos', the Nose Man, a character from Catalan folklore who has as many noses as there are days left in the year.

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# Sights

## Architecture

### **Basilica de la Sagrada Família**

(Mallorca, 401). M: Sagrada Família (L2-L5). 93 20 804 14 9am-6pm. 13 €. Barcelona's most iconic building, begun by Antoni Gaudí in 1891 and which remains unfinished to this day. Ticket sales help fund the ongoing construction works. The most visited tourist attraction in Spain.

### **Casa Batlló**

(Pg. de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L3-L4). 93 216 03 06. 9am-8pm. 18.15 €. Another of Gaudí's most emblematic works. Spaces include the former residence of the Batlló family, the roof terrace with its decorated chimneys, (and the scaly spine of the dragon defeated by Saint George,) and the marine-themed light well. The tour ends with the stunning entrance hall and main staircase.

### **La Pedrera**

(Provença, 261-265). M: Diagonal (L3-L5). 902 400 973. 9am-6.30pm. 16.50 €. Reduced entrance, 14.85 €. The building many Barcelona residents consider to be Gaudí's masterpiece – the roof terrace is one of the joys of Modernisme. Some of its apartments are still private homes.

### **Palau Güell**

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes (L3) & Barceloneta (L4). 93 472 57 75. Tue-Thur, 10am-7.30pm. 10 €. Reduced: 8 € Built by Gaudí in the late 19th century, this mansion belonged to his main patron. The roof terrace is the highlight, but the whole house is a fascinating introduction to Gaudí's revolutionary use of materials and space.

## Leisure

### **Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths**

(Pg. de Picasso, 22). M: Barceloneta (L4) & Jaume I (L4). Mon-Thur: first session: 10am. Fri, Sat & Sun: first session, 8am. Wed, Thu, Fri, & Sat: last session, midnight-2am. Aire de Barcelona is in the Born, and recreates a traditional hammam.

### **Imax Port Vell**

(Moll d'Espanya). M: Drassanes (L3) & Barceloneta (L4). 93 225 11 11. Check times and programme at [www.imaxportvell.com](http://www.imaxportvell.com). 8.70 €. Put on your glasses, and take a seat for the most exciting virtual reality experience that the latest 3-D technology can provide, in Barcelona's best-equipped large-format cinema.

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(Larrard, 41). M: Lesseps (L3). 93 285 44 40. 10am-8pm. 9 €. Reduced: 7.5 €. Only 150 yards from the steps of Park Güell, you'll find a doorway that takes you inside the mind of Antoni Gaudí. A fascinating interactive exhibition designed to help you understand the creative genius of Barcelona's most famous architect.

### **Tibidabo Funfair**

(Plaça del Tibidabo, 3-4). T. 93 211 79 42. Wed-Sun, 12am-11pm. 25,20 € (Those under 120cm, 9 €). With over a hundred years of history, Tibidabo is one of the oldest funfairs in the world, featuring classic rides, old favourites and brand new attractions to guarantee an exciting day out.

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(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). Train: Port Aventura. T. 977 779 000. PortAventura is a theme park located south of Barcelona, between Vila-seca and Salou. Six themed zones (Mediterranean, Far West, Mexico, China, Polynesia & SésamoAventura) occupy 119 hectares, with 30 attractions, 100 live processions daily, 75 places to eat and 27 craft and souvenir shops.

### **Zoo de Barcelona**

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1) & Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). T. 93 225 67 80. 10am-5pm. 17 €. Infantil (3-12 anys): 10.20 €. Barcelona Zoo, in Ciutadella Park, has a 100-year history and is one of the city's best-loved attractions. At present it houses 315 species and more than 2,000 animals.



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