

The Offices of Culture and Tourism of the Formentera Council have announced the dates of the island's third free festival of fusion jazz. During four days from June 1 to 4, artists from local, national and international music scenes will lead workshops, concerts, d.j. sets and jam sessions.

Tourism councillor Alejandra Ferrer framed the Council's sponsorship for events like Formentera Jazz Festival as creating incentives for tourists who visit the island in the off-season. Susana Labrador called it just another part of the Council's commitment to cutting-edge cultural initiatives. "Having hosted Illa a Escena during the cold winter months in the cinema, now it's time to bring culture outdoors," she said.

The Sant Francesc square will, as in years past, play host to the bulk of the festival's performances. The opening concert, along with singing and percussion workshops, will take place in Jardí de ses Eres. On Sunday, the closing jam session will be held in Blue Bar.

With support from the Formentera Council, the Formentera Jazz Festival was created by former Ojos de Brujo member and cultural producer Maxwell Moya. Raised on Formentera, Moya is currently employed at Berklee College of Music.

Full details can be found at the festival's website: http://www.formenterajazzfestival.com/

Programme:

JUNE 1

9.30pm OPENING CEREMONY
Jardí de ses Eres festival tent
Sant Francesc Xavier, Formentera

JUNE 2

4.30pm RECYCLED PERCUSSION WORKSHOP Jardí de ses Eres festival tent Sant Francesc Xavier, Formentera

9.30pm MATIC
Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier
Formentera

11.00pm NORBERTO RODRIGUEZ BAND Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier Formentera

12.30am DJ LINA UNA Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier Formentera

JUNE 3

4.30pm VOICE WORKSHOP

Jardí de ses Eres festival tent

Sant Francesc Xavier, Formentera

9.30pm VIKTORIJA PILATOVIC Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier Formentera

11.00pm ANTONIO LIZANA QUARTET
Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier
Formentera

12.30am MIDI DROPS
Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier
Formentera

02.00am DJ NICKODEMUS Plaça de Sant Francesc Xavier Formentera

JUNE 4

8.30pm JAM SESSION BLUE BAR Platja Migjorn, Carretera Sant Ferran-La Mola, Km. 7.8 Formentera