

The thirteenth year of celebrations for Formentera's *Festa Intercultural* will be held for the first time in Sant Ferran. This morning, the island's councillor of social welfare met with representatives from the planning committee for the event, Serena Amaduzzi and Manuel Lodeiro, to rollout the details behind this year's festa. This year to everyone's delight, beyond just the location change, organisers have more than a few surprises in store.

Cinema

Activities kick off Saturday 18 April and – that first day – go from six to eight in the evening. The Centre Gabrielet will host a sampling of short films representing the majority of the Festa Intercultural's 14 participating countries. On this note, Serena Amaduzzi thanked the Formentera Film Festival, the Cortos de Soria event and the Lago Film Festival for providing the pieces.

Music, gastronomy and games for kids

Sunday 19 April, o' clock beginning at one midday, the Sant Ferran school will open its gates to the public for a sampling of culinary specialities from fourteen countries and six of the autonomous communities of Spain. Of course, musical groups will be on hand to set the ambiance and a host of inflatable children's toys – monitors standing by – will be set up for younger crowds. Entry onto the premises will cost €4, although anyone under 12 will be let in free of charge. Sunday's festivities will be presented by Marta Vázquez.

As councillor of social welfare Dolores Fernández commented: "The most important part of the Festa Intercultural is the process, all of the organising work that happens in the months leading up to the event." Manuel Lodeiro, president of the Associació de la Festa Intercultural, invited everyone on the island to join in, explaining: "Food and music together make for the most international language in the world".