

The Office of Culture of the Consell de Formentera presents the 15th Children's Entertainment Festival (*Mostra d'Espectacles Infantils*) that will bring to Formentera four shows between 12 and 14 January. The Mostra is organised by the **Youth**

Theatre Network of the Balearic Islands (Sa Xerxa

) and the Consell de Formentera

. Last year's festival was also promoted as the 15th Mostra – a number which remains unchanged because the pandemic forced the event on hold.

In the words of Vanessa Parellada, acting councillor of culture, "the Mostra is about providing quality theatre and culture for local children and their families while supporting the cultural and performing arts industry."

Puppets, actors and live music all figure in the kick-off performance, ***L'Endrapasomnis***, on **Thursday 12 January**

. In the land of Bona Son, bad dreams are keeping Princess Dormissona up at night. Her parents, the kings, ruminate, sleep on it and ask for advice from doctors, herbalists and charlatans but find no remedy to cure what ails the little princess. Maybe the Endrapasomnis is the solution... This dreamlike and magical tale explores fear, the therapeutic value of stories and our tendency to look for far-off solutions when the answer sometimes lies within.

This 60-minute production, which is directed by theatre troupes Teatre al Detall and La Tresca i la Verdesca and geared toward school children, will take place in the Sala de Cultura (Cinema) at 10.00am and 12 noon.

On **Friday 13 January**, the show goes on with a musical performance and another stage production. The company La Tresca i la Verdesca, presents **Concert with La Tresca and La Verdesca**

, an animated musical show with original songs and dances. This 40-minute production is for individuals at the Day Centre, where it starts at 11.00am.

Also on Friday, the next performance is for zero- to four-year-olds and is produced by Teatre al Detall. ***El Núvol Gris, Gras i Gros*** combines actors, objects and music and tells the story of a traveling cloud set on returning home and letting loose a good storm to water fields and clean

streets. But it never rains to everyone's liking, and finding the right moment will be a challenge. This 25-minute play will take place at the Sant Ferran Reading Spot (*Punt de Lectura*) at 5.30pm. Admission is free.

Saturday 14 January, the Mostra ends with Estaquirot Teatre's colourful and lively ***L'Aventura d'Avorrir-se***

. In this puppet show, Rita is a little girl who has many toys but is always bored and doesn't know how to play alone. Then, one day at her grandma's house, Rita starts an adventure with a simple rubber duck that will take her on an imaginative journey into the world of colours, discovering surprising characters... This 50-minute show is recommended for all audiences and can be seen at the Sala de Cultura (Cinema) at 6.00pm.

Tickets

Saturday and Sunday performances cost €4. Tickets are available on entradesformentera.cat where information will be available from Wednesday 4 January. Admission is free for unemployed people and under-employed freelancers.

Sa Xerxa

The idea of **culture as an fundamental right** has been with Sa Xerxa for nearly twenty years and is the driving force behind its programming.

Sa Xerxa is a non-profit volunteer organisation of cultural dynamisers who use quality theatre to get children and youth participating in culture through the performing arts. They specialise in all-ages theatre to encourage quality shows in all corners of the region and strengthen the cultural industry by promoting activities and family theatre festivals on each one of the islands.

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