The Formentera Social Welfare Department has put together an assortment of activities to educate islanders around this year’s International Day of People with Disabilities, 3 December. At one awareness-building event, local associations bringing together islanders with disabilities will plant trees in the garden of the adult day care centre.

Social welfare councillor Rafael Ramírez praised the associations’ members for their involvement and commitment, saying the work “is key to building visibility and promoting integration”. Ramírez highlighted the Consell de Formentera’s work to meet the needs of people with disabilities, calling guaranteeing every person’s rights “critical” and encouraging islanders to take part in the events.

Collaborators in the programme include the Eivissa-Formentera Association of People with Special Needs (Apneef); Pau Mayans Association for the Integration of People on the Autism Spectrum (Apmitea); the local chapter of the Spanish Cancer Association (Formentera-AECC); the local support group for chemical sensitivity, chronic fatigue syndrome, fibromyalgia and other conditions; the Eivissa-Formentera Group for Advanced Capacities and Talents (ACTEF) and the Pine Islands Group for Social and Educational Inclusion (APIES).

Programming in the days ahead:

‘Cultivating values’
On 3 December, Formentera associations participating in ‘Cultivating values’ will gather in the adult day care centre garden to plant trees and post messages to promote awareness. A manifesto will later be read by a spokesperson for local groups of people with functional diversity.

Information table
From 11.00am to 1.00pm the same day in Sant Francesc’s Plaça de la Constitució, Formentera functional diversity groups will tend an information stand and sell products handcrafted by islanders at the Centre de Dia.

Ràdio Illa round-table
From 10.00am to 11.00am on Tuesday 2 December, public radio station Ràdio Illa invites specialists in functional diversity and family members of functionally diverse individuals to discuss the Consell’s Comprehensive Plan of Action.

Evening of shorts: ‘Diversely able’
At 7.00pm on 11, 18, 22 and 29 December, islanders can catch an array of short-fil11s about diversity and inclusion, made possible by collaboration from Formentera Film and Soria International Short Film Fest. The first screening will take place at Casa del Poble de la Mola, and the following three in the Sala d’Actes of the Consell.

Space is limited and reservations required: administració .centredia@conselldeformentera.cat .

All December long, island crowds can catch Alexis and Bruno Morante’s *Bla, Bla, Bla* before Friday and Sunday night films at the Formentera cinema (Sala de Cultura).

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