

MAJOR FIESTAS PROGRAMME 2011

FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

18:00 LIGHTING of the ARTISTIC ILLUMINATION, by our Queens, at Martínez Alejos Avenue.

Afterwards, **OPENING OF THE FAIRGROUND**, next to the Bullring. Children´s day: special prices.

22:30 "PEÑAS" INFORMAL PARADE. Meeting of the "Peñas" at C/ Ruzafa. Parade around the streets Ruzafa and Martínez Alejos.

00:30 XIX BLUES & BEATLES NIGHT at Tomás Ortuño Street (L´Hort de Colón). Performing: "LOS INSÓLITOS".

SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

10:00 MASS at the Church of San Jaime, in honour to the Virgin of the Suffrage, singed by "La Barqueta" Choir.

11:45 Opening of the doors at San Jaime Church, to sing the VERSES IN HONOUR TO THE VIRGIN.

12:00 BELL RINGING and "AIR BOMBING" from Plaza Castelar, Rincón de Loix, La Cala, Foietes and Ermita de Sanz to announce that...

THE MAJOR FIESTAS HAVE BEGUN!

12:15 MUSIC BANDS PARADE starting from Plaza de San Jaime and finishing at Plaza de SS. MM los Reyes de España.

13:00 MEETING OF MUSIC BANDS, at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España, to perform the piece "FIESTA IN BENIDORM".

17:00 THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE OF THE FOUNDING OF THE VIRGIN, at Poniente Beach, by "La Barqueta".

17:30 Parade of the music band "La Unión Musical de Benidorm", around the Old Town streets.

18:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION leaving from Parque de Elche (Harbour) through the following streets: Paseo de la Carretera, Alameda, Mayor and Plaza de San Jaime. When the procession gets to the church, there will be a **FLOWER OFFERING TO THE VIRGIN**, followed by the **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FIESTAS** at Plaza San Jaime.

24:00 LOCAL ROCK BANDS FESTIVAL, with the performance of LA MANO DEL MUERTO and LOKOS DE ATAR, at Tomás Ortuño street (L´Hort de Colón).

SUNDAY 13TH NOVEMBER: VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE´S DAY

08:00 Air Bombing from Plaza Castelar and "DESPERTA" (awakening with music and firecrackers) and from now on... ¡EVERY MORNING!

10:30 SPECTACULAR AMATEUR BULLFIGHT, WITH YOUNG BULLS, at the Bullring

11:30 SOLEMN MASS in honour of the Virgin, at the Church of San Jaime.

14:00 MARVELLOUS AERIAL-TERRESTRIAL MASCLETA (super big banger) at Av. Mediterráneo, by Pirotecnia Altura.

17:00 NATIONAL COMPETITION OF "RECORTADORES" (jumping, playing and skipping out bulls), at the Bullring. Price: 5 €.

17:15 AMAZING CONCERT OF THE "UNIÓN MUSICAL DE BENIDORM" at Gambo street.

19:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR TO THE VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE. Itinerary: Mayor, Alameda Pedro Zaragoza, Pintor Lozano, Virgen del Sufragio, Martínez Alejos, Paseo de la Carretera, Santa Faz and Plaza de San Jaime. Afterwards "ESTAMPETA".

23:00 Traditional COPLETES, singed to the Virgin of the Suffrage, at Plaza de San Jaime.

24:00 LOCAL ROCK BANDS FESTIVAL, with the performance of MIRZA-ZAZA and SOMENOISE, at Tomás Ortuño street (L´Hort de Colón).

24:00 BIG "CORREFOC" (moving fire and sound show) leaving from Plaza SSMM Los Reyes de España, going through the pedestrian streets of the Old Town, and finishing at Paseo Colón (Harbour).

01:30 MERINGUE BATTLE, in Plaza de la Hispanidad.

MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER: SAINT JAMES´ DAY

10:30 AMATEUR BULLFIGHT, WITH YOUNG BULLS, at the Bullring.

11:00 HUGE CHILDREN PLAYPARK, at Plaza SSMM Los Reyes de España.

11:30 SOLEMN MASS at San Jaime´s Church, in honour to Saint James.

12:30 "RICARD" PARTY with free tasting and gifts, at Plaza SSMM. Los Reyes de España.

14:00 GREAT MASCLETÀ (super big banger) at Av. Mediterráneo, by Pirotecnia Altura.

17:00 Spectacular show of the "FORÇAOS PORTUGUESES", at the Bullring. Price: 5 €

17:30 Great Concert offered by the Amazing Orchestra AD L´IBITUN", at Gambo street.

19:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR TO SAINT JAMES by the streets: Mayor, Alameda, Paseo de la Carretera, Santa Faz and Plaza San Jaime. Afterwards ESTAMPETA.

23:00 WONDERFUL NOCTURNAL MASCLETÀ (fireworks and bangers), at Av. Mediterráneo, by Pirotecnia Altura.

23:30 Musical evening with the participation of "40 PRINCIPALES", at Tomás Ortuño street (L´Hort de Colón)

00:30 SPECTACULAR CONCERT, in the Auditorium Julio Iglesias (Aigüera Park), of a famous Spanish music group.

TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

10:30 SOLEMN REQUIEM MASS at San Jaime Church, singed by the Church Choir. Afterwards, OFFERING OF FLOWER GARLANDS to the Dead in the Sea, at Plaza de la Señoría, followed by a visit to the cemeteries.

11:00 BIG CHILDREN PLAYPARK AND RONALD McDONALDS performance at Plaza SSMM. Los Reyes de España.

14:00 THUNDEROUS MASCLETÀ (super big banger) at Av. Mediterráneo by Pirotecnia Altura.

17:00 Children Show "ANIMALIA", by Mario Caballero, at Tomás Ortuño street (L´Hort de Colón).

19:00 FUNNY COSTUMES PARADE. Itinerary: Venus, Ruzafa, Martínez Alejos and Gambo.

23:30 Performance of the magnificent ORQUESTA ÓXIDO, at Plaza SSMM Los Reyes de España.

WEDNESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

11:00 BIG PLAYPARK at Plaza SS. MM los Reyes de España, followed by a CHILDREN´S MASCLETÀ.

11:00 FESTA DE LES FESTES. Parade around the town, of the different Fiestas Commitees, departing from Plaza Neptuno, Parque de Elche (Harbour) and Plaza de la Hispanidad to go to Plaza de SSMM Los Reyes de España.

17:30 FLOAT PARADE through the following streets: Marqués de Comillas, Almendros, Marte, Venus, Ruzafa, Martínez Alejos, Gambo and finishing at Plaza de la Hispanidad. Afterwards, MARVELLOUS, AND FULL OF NOVELTIES, FIREWORK DISPLAY at Poniente Beach (Harbour).

¡MERRY FIESTAS FOR EVERYONE!