





9th MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL OF BENISSA

The "9th MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL OF BENISSA", will take place from 5th to 7th October 2018 in the Paseig Dolores Piera, and will present a rich variety of the different cultures that are represented in our municipality and district. It will highlight the principal nationalities of the foreign residents in Benissa and the surrounding areas and will offer a taste of their cultures through music, gastronomy, craft and exhibitions of their typical products.

Due to the great interest and participation that have marked the last festivals, the City council of Benissa has decided to make the festival a permanent feature and to celebrate it every two years. In this, 9th Multicultural Festival, the following counties will participate: Germany, Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Spain, Morocco, Mexico, Poland, Romania, Uruguay and Venezuela.

In the pavilions visitors will be able to enjoy and to admire the crafts and customs of each country and try their cuisine. The most delightful flavours and scents will greet us during these three days. There will also be opportunities to enjoy the culture, folklore, dances, performances and musicians from these different parts of the world which will delight visitors with the wide variety of songs and sounds.

That is the primary objective of this **9th Multicultural Festival of Benissa**.

So, come and join us to enjoy the cultural diversity of our wonderful area.

FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER

- **7:30 p.m.** Gathering of country representatives in front of the Town Hall. The Parade will move toward the Main Square accompanied by "doçaina i tabalet" (local folkloric music)
- **8:00 p.m.** Official inauguration of the 9th MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL OF BENISSA, in the main square of Benissa. Flag raising and presentation of the participant countries.
- **8:30 p.m.** Inauguration of and visits to the pavilions by civic authorities, members of the Organizing Commission and country representatives. Exhibition of crafts, photographs, music and gastronomy in the Paseo Dolores Piera will commence.
- 9:00 p.m. Table of experiences on the stage of the Dolores Piera Park.
- 1:00 a.m. Closing of the pavilions.

SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER

- **12:00 p.m.** Opening of the pavilions. Exhibition of crafts, photographs, music and gastronomy in the Paseo Dolores Piera.
- **12:30 p.m**. Parade of the participant countries in typical costumes which will leave from the exhibition area and cross the center of Benissa accompanied by "dolçaina i tabalet" (folkloric music).
- **6:00 p.m.** Performance by the group Zespol Piesni and Tañca Ziemi Hrubieszowskiej (traditional music and dances) from Poland.
- **6:55 p.m.** Performance by the group Luz del Amanecer (typical dances) representing Ecuador.
- 7:15 p.m. Performance by the group Sabor Latino (typical dances) from Colombia
- **7:35 p.m.** Performance by the Centro Cultural Boliviano group with the dance "Llamerada" representing Bolivia.
- 7.47 p.m. Performance by the group Sabor Latino (typical dances) from Colombia
- **8:00 p.m.** Performance by the Salay Jatun Masis Group, Valencia Branch representing Bolivia.
- 8.12 p.m. Performance by the group Aires de mi Tierra (typical dances) from Chile.
- 8.57 p.m. Flamenco performance and dance by the Ballet Arraigo of España.
- 10.12 p.m. End of performances.
- 1:00 a.m. Closing of the pavilions.

SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER

- **12.00 p.m.** Opening of the pavilions. Exhibition of crafts, photographs, music and gastronomy in the Paseo Dolores Piera.
- **12.00 h-13.30 h.** Multicultural children's activities and storytelling "Tales of the World" by the Talleralia group.

SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER

- **6:00 p.m.** Performance by the group Zespol Piesni and Tañca Ziemi Hrubieszowskiej (traditional music and dances) from Poland.
- **6:55 p.m.** Performance by the group Soca amb Arrel (traditional Valencian music) representing Spain.
- 8:00 p.m. Performance by the singer-songwriter Rubén Suárez from Chile.
- 8.15 p.m. Performance by the singer Mihaita de la Bihor of Romania.
- **9:15 p.m.** End of performances. OFFICIAL CLOSING OF THE 9th MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL OF BENISSA.

 * This program is subject to possible changes.



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