

CARNAVAL *de* TARRAGONA

2023

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The Tarragona Carnival arrives in the city once again this year with a program full of tradition and fun. The people of Tarragona are the driving force behind this popular festival, with the participation of many people working almost all year round to organize it. Everyone is part of the Carnival, big and small, people who make the classic events possible, but also other more recent ones that have become essential for the citizens. A great job that we encourage you to experience in first person, either as participants or as the public.

Enjoy the events with the longest history, such as the *Disfressa d'Or* (Golden Costume) - one of the essential events of the Carnival, *Bastiment de la Bota* (barrel), the *coques de llardons* (pastry) and the egg sausage of *Dijous Gras* (the Thursday before Lent, one week before Ash Wednesday), the *Rua de l'Artesania* (the Craft Parade) and the *Rua de Lluïment* (the Shine Parade), the wake of the King and the Concubine or the Burial. And don't forget the craziest proposals, such as the *Farra dels Ninots*. *Bajada del Pajaritu* (Soap Box Derby), or the Drag Queens & Drag Kings Contest. Be that as it may, as Lent approaches, leave your sorrows at home, take to the streets as if it were the last time, and have a good Carnival!

Long live the Carnival of Tarragona!

Saturday 11th February

12 h, Sant Domènec Street. **Carnival's Musical Vermouth** by Txaranga Tocabemolls.

14.30 h, Sant Domènec Street. Gastronomic carnival. **8th Xarronada Popular**. For the eighth year running, the Casal Popular Sageta de Foc is bringing back the "xarronada", the typical Tarragona *escudella* (stew) that used to be eaten at Carnival. Come and try it!

Price: 10-12 €

Registration: activitats.sagetadefoc@gmail.com

19 h, Casal Popular La Sageta de Foc, 18 Sant Domènec Street. **Folk Musical Performance by Guirigall (Solsona)**

Sunday 12th February

19.30 h. TAP (Tarraco Arena Plaza), 18 Mallorca Street. The ***Disfressa d'Or*** (Golden Costume) opts for proximity and changes its date. In the event in which the participating troupes show off their best clothes, we will find a unique display for one of the events that has become one of the most popular in the Tarragona Carnival. A unique parade to see and enjoy the best individual costumes.

Price: 20-25€ plus management fees. www.tarragonamusicfestival.com

Tuesday 14th February

10 h. De la Font Square. ***Bastiment de la Bota***. The Association for the Conservation of Festive Figures will install *la Bota* (barrel) with its satirical connotations for public display until its burning at the Burial of King Carnestoltes and his Concubine.

12 h. De la Font Square. **Presentation of the *Ninot* and the *Ninota*** by the *Asociación para la Conservación de Figuras Festivas*, and the entourage of the King Carnestoltes and the Concubine Queen, by the *comparsas* (troupes).

Wednesday 15th February

18 h. From Corsini Square. **Entrance of King Carnestoltes XL, his Concubine XXVII and the entourage.** The place chosen this year to see for the first time King Carnestoltes and his Concubine is the Plaza Corsini. Just after the *Amparito*, which is played every day in the square, you can see the protagonists coming out of the door of the Central Market.

19.30 h. Tarragona Theatre, Rambla Nova, 11. **Gala of King Carnestoltes, his Concubine and the entourage.** A gala at the Tarragona Theatre, where there will be dancing, satire and some unexpected surprises. And not forgetting the rod of command that the council will hand over to the Carnival King and the Concubine.

Price: 4 €.

Tickets: entrades.tarragona.cat and at the Tarragona Theatre box office at its usual time (from Tuesday 31st January, at 11 am)

19.30 h, La Capone bookshop, 41 Gasometre Street. **Concert by Lúdia Facerías & Edu Pons (Barcelona)**

Price: 8 € drink included.

Tickets: ticketic.org

21.30 h. Tarragona Theatre, Rambla Nova, 11. **Second Gala of King Carnestoltes, his Concubine and the entourage.** A gala at the Tarragona Theatre, where there will be dancing, satire and some unexpected surprises. And not forgetting the rod of command that the council will hand over to the Carnival King and the Concubine.

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Thursday 16th February

9 h. Cañellas Street. Gastronomic carnival. **The Coca de Llardons.** The day has come to try one of the most typical products of the Carnival: the *coca de llardons* (pastry). Come and try it at the Colla La Bota stand.

Price: 1 €

9 h. De la Font Square. Gastronomic carnival. **The Coca de Llardons.** The day has come to try one of the most typical products of the Carnival: the *coca de llardons* (pastry). Come and try it at the Colla La Bota stand.

Price: 1 €

10 h. Inside the Central Market. Gastronomic Carnival. **Botifarra d'ou (Egg sausage tasting).** Meat, eggs, tripe and pepper are the ingredients needed to make *botifarra d'ou* (egg sausage). Made in the market stalls, the stalls themselves invite us to taste this traditional Carnival food.

21 h, Casa Miret, 36 Rambla Nova. **Masquerade.**

Price: dinner & ball 52 €

Reservation: www.balldemascarestgn.com or info@balldemascarestgn.com

Friday 17th February

19.45 h, De la Font Square. **La Farra dels Ninots. Plantada.** The *Ninots* are planted in the square. At this time and until the start of the event, you can buy tickets for the route at a price of 12 €.

20.15 h, De la Font Square. **Farra dels Ninots.** The *Ninots* are ready for this festival. The Colla La Bota is in charge, together with all the people from Tarragona who want to join in, of showing a few ethno-gastronomic corners of the city to the King Carnestoltes and his Concubine, who are always in the mood for a party. All this accompanied by Charanga Los Mataos, from Valencia.

23 h, Corsini Square. **Carnival Fest** by Sweet Soul Músic, Pd Peting, DJ Garrabe and DJ Petardeig.

Saturday 18th February

9.30 h, Del Rei Square. **Reception of the participants of *Baixada del Pajaritu* (Soap Box Derby)**. Arrival of the participants, who will be able to show off their satirical and amusing works of art, and the spectators will be able to admire them before they move on to the action.

11 h, Del Rei Square. **Start of the 16th edition of the *Baixada del Pajaritu* (Soap Box Derby)**. We will be able to see all the participants in action, with their thrilling descents. We are ready!

Itinerary: Baixada Pescateria, c/ Cós del Bou, Baixada Misericordia, c/ de la Nau and Del Rei Square.

12 h, 1 Moll de Costa. **Carnival's great party** by Xiquets del Serrallo.

13 h, Streets of the old town. **Parade with troupe Amics de la Part Alta**.

Itinerary : Forum Square, Merceria Street, Major Street, de la Nau Street, Del Rei Square, Santa Anna Street, Forum Square and Arc de Sant Bernat Street.

17 h, Passeig de les Palmeres. **Sensoria Grup (music)** by DJ Adry Verge, Dídac Llop, Locoromolo, Ronydee, Fer G, Santos Garcia, Edu Cano, Jove and Ove DL.

17.30 h, Ramón y Cajal Avenue, in front of the Parc Central and the Necropolis. **Arrival of the floats participating in the Parade**. You will be able to see all the floats taking part in the Parade on display before their departure.

18 h, From Ramón y Cajal Avenue and towards Catalunya Avenue. ***La Rua de l'Artesania* (craft parade)**, with troupes, floats, *senyeras* (Catalan flag) and the entourage of the King and the Concubine.

Itinerary with approximate time of arrival of the first troupe: Ramón y Cajal Avenue, Rambla Nova (18.30 h), Rovira i Virgili Street, Anselm Clavé Square (19.15 h) and Catalunya Avenue at the URV Campus (19.45 h).

24 h, Cós del Bou Street. **Carnival's open-air dance** by DJ DeeJay.

24 h, Totem Cafè, 15 Rambla Vella. **Opening Party Carnival**.

2 h, Cós del Bou Street. **Carnival's open-air dance** by DJ Rayo.

Sunday 19th February

18 h. Ramón y Cajal Avenue, in front of the Parc Central and the Necropolis. ***La Rua de Lluïment* (shine parade)**. The parade of the most spectacular troupes, as well as the entourage of King Carnestoltes and the Concubine.

Itinerary with approximate time of arrival of the first troupe: Ramón y Cajal Avenue, Rambla Nova (18.30 h), Rovira i Virgili Street, Anselm Clavé Square (19 h) and Catalunya Avenue at the URV Campus (19.30 h).

Monday 20th February

20 h. El Magatzem Theatre, 14 Reding Street. **The Trial of King Carnestoltes**. The Trial will be held in the auditorium of the *Antiga Audiencia*. The King Carnestoltes reign is coming to an end, and who will be in charge of judging King Carnestoltes this year? Will the King manage to free himself from the tragic end of his predecessors? Come and see the verdict first-hand.

Free event with limited capacity. Doors open at 19.45 h.

21.30 h. Tarragona Theatre, Rambla Nova, 11. **16th Drag Queens and Drag Kings Contest.** At the Tarragona Theatre you will be able to enjoy new modalities (Drag Queen Fashion and Drag Global Show), and at the same time you will be able to see the different formats that Drags can have.

Price: 12-14 €

Tickets: entrades.tarragona.cat and at the Tarragona Theatre box office at its usual time (from Tuesday 31st January, at 11 am)

Tuesday 21st February

10 h. From the Old Town Hall, 39 Major Street, towards De la Font Square. **The obituaries: *Mascarada del Dol* (mourning masquerade) by *Colla La Bota* and *Ministrers del Camp i del Llamp*.**

11.30 h. Central Market. **Arrival of the *Mascarada del Dol* (mourning masquerade) and the *Ministrers del Camp i del Llamp*** to share this sad moment with everyone.

17.30 h. Old Town Hall, 39 Mayor Street. **Opening of the mortuary and wake for the King Carnestoltes coffin.** To say a last farewell to the King and the Concubine, the wake will be open at the following times: 18.00, 18.30, 19.00 and 19.30 h (limited capacity).

20.45 h. Santiago Rusiñol Square, mortuary house, Old Town Hall, 39 Major Street. **Gathering of the mourning troupes**, mourners, Ball de Diables, Drac, Bou, Víbria, Griu, Colla Diables Voramar del Serrallo, various drummers, Mourning Masquerade, the Cremallers of Teia and the entourages of King Carnestoltes and his Concubine, and the *Cobla de Lladons del Tecler*.

20.50 h. Santiago Rusiñol Square. **Delivery of the Testament to Lucifer**, royal notary, by the mourners of *Colla La Bota* and *Cobla de Lladons del Tecler*. Afterwards, the groups will go with firecrackers to the De la Font Square. Itinerary: Santiago Rusiñol Square, Major Street, de la Nau Street, Baixada de Pescateria, Cós del Bou Street and De la Font Square.

21.45 h, De la Font Square. **Reading of the Carnestoltes Testament by Lucifer.** Royal Notary.

22 h, De la Font Square. **Burial of King Carnestoltes with the Burial of the Ninot, the Ninota and the *Bota encesa pels Cremallers*.** The burial will be attended by the mourning groups, mourners with artichokes and candles. Ball de Diables, Drac, Bou, Víbria, Griu and Colla Diables Voramar del Serrallo, Mourning Masquerade, Cremallers and entourages of the Carnival King Carnestoltes and his Concubine.

23.30 h, Totem Cafè, 15 Rambla Vella. **End of the Carnival party 2023.**

23.50 h, approximately. Belfry of the Cathedral. ***Toc de Queda* (bells chime)** or entrance to Lent.