

## ESOF2008 CULTURAL AGENDA

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### **CASA BATLLÓ GUIDED VISIT**

Casa Batlló website: [www.casabatllo.es](http://www.casabatllo.es)

*ESOF2008 participants will get a discount on guided visit, by showing ESOF2008 accreditation*

#### **Description**

Casa Batlló, is one of Antoni Gaudí's masterpieces, built in the year 1877 and remodelled in the years 1905–1907 and located in the Eixample district of Barcelona. Casa Batlló invites you to visit not just a building but an artistic legend. Hidden behind the exceptional *modernista* façade, which reflects a tranquil sea, is a world of surprises and refined architectural details. One of the key *modernista* works, Casa Batlló now offers a tour of its interior. You will be able to view the splendour and creativity of this work by Gaudí from a new and seductive perspective, and so be able to admire the genius of these spaces. A tour of Casa Batlló will stir your imagination with the metaphors and representations of nature, in particular the sea, which will inspire you and stimulate your senses and emotions.

Casa Batlló is without question a bewitching spectacle for the senses, the ultimate expression of Gaudí's genius. An explosion of colours and forms, splendid examples of the decorative arts of the epoch, an immersion in modernity, enigmatic forms, the interpretation of a dream, a Mediterranean marvel, a place of innovation and new concepts, a place for reflecting on the capabilities of art and design.

To tour Casa Batlló by Antoni Gaudí is to visit a dreamlike, symbolic world full of nuances that will reveal themselves to the visitor—an actively involved viewer—during the aesthetic adventure of a fascinating journey into the work and mind of a genius.

A unique experience in which air, fire, water and earth—the essences of nature—will present themselves in a subtle, innovative way thanks to magnificent installations and visual 'performances'.

**Language:** Catalan, Spanish, English, French, German, Italian, Japanese and Chinese

**Dates:** 15<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Everyday, 9.00 to 20.00

#### **Address**

Casa Batlló  
Passeig de Gràcia, 43 - Barcelona  
Tel: 216 03 06 / 488 06 66

#### **Access**

Metro: L3, L2, L4, Passeig de Gràcia  
Buses: Stopping Pg. de Gràcia: bus 7, 16, 17, 22, 24, 28, 43 or 44.

## **BARCELONA LEADING ART CENTRES FREE ACCESS**

*ESOF2008 participants will have free access to the following Art Centres, by showing ESOF2008 accreditation*

### **FUNDACIÓ CAIXA CATALUNYA/LA PEDRERA – CAIXA CATALUNYA FOUNDATION/LA PEDRERA**

La Pedrera website: <http://obrasocial.caixacatalunya.es>

Ten years after its inauguration and coinciding with the centenary of the start of the construction of Milà House, the Fundació Caixa Catalunya has reopened the Espai Gaudí. It is a place of reflection, exploration and discovery, inviting the public to participate in an intellectual and sensorial experience which aims to let Gaudí speak for himself in the exceptional setting of La Pedrera attic.

In addition to the Espai Gaudí, the visitor can see the courtyards, La Pedrera Apartment, which recreates the ambience of a middle class home of the early 20th century, and the roof, surprising for its artistic and symbolic power.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Everyday, from 9.00 to 20.00.

#### **Address**

Fundació Caixa Catalunya - La Pedrera  
Provença, 261-265 – Barcelona  
Tel: 93 484 59 00

#### **Access**

##### **Metro**

L3 and L5 Diagonal Station

### **FUNDACIÓ MIRÓ - MIRÓ FOUNDATION**

Fundació Miró website: [www.fundaciomiro-bcn.org](http://www.fundaciomiro-bcn.org)

Fundació Joan Miró de Barcelona, housed in a magnificent building by Josep Lluís Sert in the Parc de Montjuïc, contains the finest public collection of the work of Joan Miró, with 300 paintings, 150 sculptures and the complete graphic works. The Foundation also presents a regular programme of temporary exhibitions by 20th century artists;

The Joan Miró Foundation and the Fundació Caixa Girona present **"The nature of things"**, an exhibition by Olafur Eliasson, winner of the 1st Joan Miró Prize in 2007 **(20 June – 28 September 2008)**.

This will be the first major showing of the artist's work in Spain. The 50 pieces in the exhibition exemplify his output from 1993 to the present day, including new works produced specifically for the Joan Miró Foundation. The photographs, sculptures and large-scale installation recreate with elegance the landscape and atmosphere of Iceland, the country in which he has his roots, while at the same time they examine the sensorial effects of the works on the viewer.

The exhibition is divided into two parts: at the Centre Cultural Caixa Girona–Fontana d'Or in Girona, Eliasson shows a series of photographs and prints together with small-format works based on light, while the Barcelona exhibition includes installations that explore the perception of light, colour and space and the viewer's ability to approach "the nature of things" through awareness and physical experimentation.

The work of this Danish-Icelandic artist, born in Copenhagen in 1967, centres on the study of sensorial perception, the laws of physics and natural phenomena. He works with different media but is particularly well known for his sculptural installations for specific places. Eliasson recontextualises elements such as light, water, ice or mist in order to create special situations that alter the viewers' perception in relation to space and to themselves. He transforms the exhibition areas into a hybrid space in which nature and culture are combined, thus suggesting a firm commitment to the world around him and a reflection on life today. The complexity and diversity of his art have placed him in a significant position in the current artistic scene.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesdays to Saturdays (10.00 to 20.00), Thursdays (10.00 to 21.30), Sundays (10.00 to 14.30). Mondays closed.

**Address**

Fundació Joan Miró  
Parc de Montjuïc, s/n - Barcelona  
Tel: 93 443 94 70

**Access**

Metro: L3, L2, Paral·lel - Funicular de Montjuïc  
Buses: 50 Trinitat nova-Parc de Montjuïc, 55 Pl. Catalana - Parc de Montjuïc

**MUSEU PICASSO - PICASSO MUSEUM**

**Picasso Museum website:** [www.museupicasso.bcn.es](http://www.museupicasso.bcn.es)

The Museu Picasso de Barcelona is the chief reference point for knowledge about Pablo Picasso's formative years, and bears witness to the close relation between the artist and the city. Five Gothic mansions house this museum which, in addition to works from the artist's youth and later life, such as the Blue Period, also contains the magnificent Las Meninas series, a rich interpretive exercise based on Velázquez's famous work.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesdays to Sundays, 10.00 to 20.00. Mondays closed.

**Address**

Museu Picasso  
Montcada, 15-23 - Barcelona  
Tel.: +34 93 256 30 00

**Access**

**Metro**

L1 - Arc de Triomf Station

L3 - Liceu Station  
L4 - Jaume I Station

**Bus**

Lines 17, 40, 45 - Via Laietana Bus Stop  
Lines 39, 51 - Passeig Picasso Bus Stop  
Lines 14, 59 - Pla de Palau Bus Stop  
Lines 19 - Plaça de la Catedral Bus Stop  
Lines 120 - Princesa Bus Stop

**MUSEU D'ART CONTEMPORANI DE BARCELONA (MACBA) –  
CONTEMPORARY ART MUSEUM OF BARCELONA (MACBA)**

MACBA website: [www.macba.es](http://www.macba.es)

The Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona (MACBA) houses an important collection of artworks from the last fifty years. Besides a selection of works from the permanent collection, the museum also provides a broad programme of temporary exhibitions and organises activities related to contemporary culture and art. The building itself was designed by the American architect Richard Meier.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Weekdays, 11.00 to 19.30. Saturdays, 10.00 to 20.00. Sundays, 10.00 to 15.00. Mondays closed.

**Address**

Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona (MACBA)  
Plaça dels Àngels, 1 - Barcelona  
Tel: 93 412 08 10

**Access**

**Metro**

L1, L3, FGC – Catalunya Station  
L1, L2 – Universitat Station

**Bus**

Lines 14, 38, 59 - Ramblas Bus Stop  
Lines 24, 41, 55, 91, 141 - Universitat Bus Stop

**CENTRE DE CULTURA CONTEMPORÀNIA DE BARCELONA  
(CCCB) – BARCELONA'S CENTRE FOR CONTEMPORARY  
CULTURE (CCCB)**

CCCB website: [www.cccb.org](http://www.cccb.org)

The Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona (CCCB) is a centre that organizes exhibitions and activities in such diverse spheres as music, film, dance, performance and anything involving artistic experiment.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesdays to Sundays, 11.00 to 20.00. Thursdays, 11.00 to 22.00. Mondays (except public holidays) closed.

**Address**



Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona (CCCB)  
Montalegre, 5 - Barcelona  
Tel: 93 306 41 00

**Access**

**Metro**

L1, L3, FGC – Catalunya Station  
L1, L2 – Universitat Station

**Bus**

Lines 7, 9, 14, 16, 17, 24, 38, 41, 50, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 64, 66, 67, 68, 91, 120, 141, L94, L95.

**MUSEU NACIONAL D'ART DE CATALUNYA (MNAC) – NATIONAL ART MUSEUM OF CATALONIA**

MNAC website: [www.mnac.es](http://www.mnac.es)

The magnificent collections at the Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya (MNAC), covering from the 11th to the 20th century, illustrate, amongst others, two outstanding periods in Catalan art: the Romanesque, with a collection unique in the world; and Modernisme, featuring outstanding works by such artists as Antoni Gaudí, among others. The museum site also commands spectacular views over the city.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesdays to Saturdays, 10.00 to 19.00. Sundays, 10.00 to 14.30. Mondays (except public holidays) closed.

**Address**

Palau Nacional. Parc de Montjuïc. Barcelona  
Tel: 93 622 03 76

**Access**

**Metro**

L1 and L3 (Pl. Espanya)

**Buses**

Bus Parc de Montjuïc Av. de Maria Cristina-MNAC Station  
Line 50 Av. De l'Estadi/Piscines Picornell Station  
Line 13 Av. Marquès de Comillas/Poble Espanyol Station  
Line 55 Museu MNAC/Museu Etnològic Station  
Up to Pl. d'Espanya 9, 27, 30, 37, 56, 57, 65, 79, 109, 157, 165

**COSMOCAIXA VISIT**

***ESOF2008 participants will have free access to CosmoCaixa, by showing ESOF2008 accreditation***

**Description**

CosmoCaixa works to promote an understanding of science and to raise awareness of environmental issues and the problems faced by the planet today. As such, it is an important part of the cultural scene in Barcelona.

CosmoCaixa Barcelona, the "la Caixa" Community Projects Science Museum, has around 30,000 square metres given over to temporary and permanent exhibitions



suitable for visitors of every age group and background. The following features of the museum are especially impressive:

- "The Flooded Forest": 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> of Amazon jungle. As you make your way through the jungle, you'll be able to see the animals and plants that live here.
- Permanent exhibition: An enthralling journey through the evolution of matter and life on our planet, with experiments, real pieces and living beings.
- The digital planetarium: A journey through time and space.
- Geological Wall: Seven spectacular sections from real rocks.
- Temporary exhibitions.

**Languages:** Catalan – Spanish – French – English.

**Dates:** 18<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesdays to Sundays (10.00 to 20.00). Mondays (except public holidays) closed. Visits to the museum take approximately two hours.

**Address**

Teodor Roviralta, 47-51, Barcelona  
Tel. 93 212 60 50

**Access**

Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat (FGC): L7, Avinguda del Tibidabo  
Buses: 17, 22, 58, 73, 75, 60 and 196.

**BARCELONA'S SCIENCE MUSEUMS: DISCOUNT OF 50 %**

*ESOF2008 participants will have 50% discount to the following Science Museums, by showing ESOF2008 accreditation*

**ZOO DE BARCELONA – ZOO OF BARCELONA**

Zoo of Barcelona website: [www.zoobarcelona.com](http://www.zoobarcelona.com)

**Description**

Barcelona Zoo adheres to the World Zoo Conservation Strategy and hence carries out a series of activities which can be summarized as follows. The institution collaborates on several international and European programmes for breeding and preserving species threatened with extinction.

There are activities **for schoolchildren**. Guided tours and workshops, which cater for schoolchildren from pre-school to secondary school age, are prepared in accordance with school curricula. There are over 20 different topics, and others may be available at the teachers' request. Also, out-of-school activities, aimed at children for weekends and holiday periods. This is the case of the Children's Saturdays, Birthday Parties and Zoology Day Camps.

**There are also two types of activities for adults:** Personnel training courses (training courses for future keepers, training courses for educational workers), and educational courses in zoology given over the academic year and also in the summer. They are taught by Zoo specialists and lecturers from the University.

The Zoo also organizes **excursions and field trips** to places of special zoological interest, led by specialized guides.



**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** 10:00-19:00

**Address**

Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n.

**Access**

Bus lines: 14, 17, 36, 39, 40, 41, 45, 51, 57, 59, 100, 141 and 157.

Metro line: Barceloneta and Ciutadella - Vila Olímpica (L4).

Marina and Arc de Triomf (L1)

**MUSEU MARÍTIM DE BARCELONA – MARITIME MUSEUM OF BARCELONA**

Maritime Museum of Barcelona website: [www.museumaritimbarcelona.com](http://www.museumaritimbarcelona.com)

**Description**

The Museu Marítim de Barcelona is located in the building of the royal shipyards, on the city's waterfront and at the foot of the Montjuïc Mountain. The shipyards were built to serve as a military dockyard for the galleys commanded by the Crown of Aragon.

With a history stretching back more than 700 years, the complex is a zone about which little is yet known from a historical perspective. However, given the research projects that are currently underway and the archaeological excavations due to take place in the near future, we will soon have a greater knowledge of the complex and its significance.

The permanent restoration of the architectural complex and the consolidation of the status of the Museu Marítim as a major benchmark centre where Mediterranean maritime culture is concerned constitute important projects for the future.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:**

From Tuesday to Friday, between 12:00 and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, between 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Adress**

Moll de la Fusta (Bosch and Alsina's pier) at Barcelona's Port Vell.

Av. de les Drassanes s/n

08001 Barcelona

Tel. 93 342 99 20 Fax 93 318 78 76

**Access**

Metro line: L3 / Drassanes station (Portal de Santa Madrona exit)

Bus lines: 14, 18, 36, 38, 57, 59, 64 and 91

**Languages**

Audio guides are available to the public in Catalan, Spanish, French, English, Italian, German and Japanese.

## **MUSEU DE CIÈNCIES NATURALS DE BARCELONA – NATURAL SCIENCES MUSEUM OF BARCELONA**

### **Description**

The Museum of Natural Science at Ciutadella Park is a public institution of science serving the community. In the year 2000, the Geology and Zoology Museums merged, forming the current Museum of Natural Science.

The origin of these two museums goes back to the Martorell Museum, which was founded in 1878 from a bequest left by Francesc Martorell Peña. This was the first public museum in Barcelona. The Museum's entire holdings were originally housed at the Martorell building, but in 1924 part of the collections was transferred to the building known as *Castell dels Tres Dragons* (Three Dragons Castle), where the city's Zoology Museum was located until 2000.

The holdings of the Museum of Natural Science at Ciutadella Park are particularly rich in cave-dwelling beetles and vertebrates from the Iberian Peninsula. Other highlights include rocks, fossils, and minerals from the Vidal and Cervelló Collections.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesday through Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
Closed Mondays.

### **Addresses**

#### **Geology Museum**

Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n  
08003 Barcelona  
Tel: 93 319 68 95 Fax: 93 319 93 12

#### **Zoology Museum**

Passeig Picasso, s/n  
08003 Barcelona  
Tel: 93 319 69 12  
Fax: 93 310 49 99

### **Access**

Metro: L1 (Arc de Triomf); L4 (Jaume I)  
Buses: 14, 39, 40, 41, 42, 51, 141, B25  
Train: Arc de Triomf

**MUSEU AGBAR – BARCELONA WATER MUSEUM. AGBAR MUSEUM (CORNELLÀ DE LLOBREGAT)**

AGBAR Museum website: [www.museuagbar.com](http://www.museuagbar.com)

**Description**

From 1998 the Agbar Foundation consolidates as the Agbar Group's tool to promote environmentally friendly actions. Thus, its foundational objectives were the following:

- To conserve and protect the environment in all its aspects especially with regard to the integral water cycle as well as management and removal of all type of waste.
- To promote activities of research, development and innovation within the field of environmental protection and improvement.
- To create a documentation centre and archive in relation to its field of activity.
- To watch over human living standards.

These objectives are developed in a series of areas of activity: environment, technology management, knowledge dissemination and social action.

**Address and access:**

Carretera de Sant Boi, 4-6. 08940, Cornellà de Llobregat

Tel: 93 342 35 38 / 93 342 35 14

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:**

10:00 to 19:00 Tuesday to Saturday

10:00 to 14:00 Sundays

**MUSEU DE LA CIÈNCIA I LA TÈCNICA DE CATALUNYA – MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF CATALONIA (TERRASSA)**

mNACTEC Website: [www.mnactec.cat](http://www.mnactec.cat)

**Description**

The general objective of the **mNACTEC** is to develop the knowledge of the history of science, technology and the process of industrialisation of Catalonia, as well as of the productive processes.

In order to achieve these aims, the museum set itself the following specific goals:

- **Acquire, conserve and restore** the scientific and technical heritage of the past and present, both objects, tools and machines as well as the built heritage.
- **Encourage** the study of the history of science and technology and of industrialisation.



- **Make** scientific and technical knowledge and progress widely available to society.
- **Constitute** the mNACTEC as the centre of activities related to the industrial heritage.
- **Establish** it as a place in which society, industry, the scientific community and especially the Universities can come together.

**Address**

Rambla d'Ègara, 270  
08221 Terrassa  
T. 93 736 89 66  
F. 93 736 89 60 / 93 780 01 92

**Access**

Train: FGC and Renfe (Terrassa)  
Buses: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:** Tuesday to Friday: 10:00 to 19:00. Saturday, Sunday and holidays: 10:00 to 14:30. July and August 10:00 to 14:30 h. Closed Mondays

**JARDÍ BOTÀNIC DE BARCELONA - BOTANICAL GARDEN OF BARCELONA**

The Garden works to promote a botanical and naturalist culture, and to foster knowledge through its activities, which are adapted to groups of all kinds, from amateurs to experts, as well as for schools. This promotional work helps to increase the public's knowledge of nature and its awareness of the need to conserve it.

On the scientific side, the Garden is supported by the **Botanical Institute of Barcelona**, a mixed centre (jointly run by Barcelona City Council and the CSIC) devoted to botanical research. This prestigious centre has an important library and one of the largest herbariums in Catalonia.

The fact that the Botanical Garden is a Mediterranean garden makes it a unique facility for experimenting with plants new to the Mediterranean climate with a view to their later introduction into gardening.

**Adress:**

Dr. Font i Quer, 2  
Parc of Montjuïc  
Tel: 93 426 49 35 Fax: 93 424 50 53

**Access:**

Metro: Espanya (L1 and L3).  
Buses: Parc de Montjuïc or 50 and 55.

**Dates:** 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2008

**Opening hours:**

June, July and August: from Monday to Sunday, from 10 am to 8 pm

## **RECOMMENDED THEATRE PERFORMANCE: "A DISAPPEARING NUMBER" AT FESTIVAL GREC 2008**

Performed by Complicite Company

Festival GREC website: <http://www.barcelonafestival.com>

### **Description**

Mathematics is another way of explaining the world and its structure, giving meaning to the poetry and beauty hidden in the universe.

The stories that Complicite tells explore questions about mathematics and beauty; about imagination and the nature of infinity; about what is continuous and what permanent; about how we are attached to the past and how we affect the future...A Disappearing Number is a theatrical enquiry into our relentless compulsion to understand what goes on around us. Its starting point is the story of the most mysterious and romantic mathematical collaborations of all time: that between the self-taught Indian genius Srinavasa Ramanujan and the Cambridge professor G.H. Hardy.

Complicite is a UK based company of performers and collaborators founded in 1983. This versatile company's work has ranged from adaptations of classic texts to collaboration with the Pet Shop Boys. A Disappearing Number was an enormous critical success in 2007, winning several awards: Best Play - Evening Standard Awards 2007, Best New Play - The Critics' Circle Theatre Awards 2007 and Best New Play - The Laurence Olivier Awards 2008.

**Language:** English with subtitles in Catalan

### **Credits**

**Conceived and Directed by** Simon McBurney

**Devised by** the Company

**Original Music** Nitin Sawhney

**Design** Michael Levine

**Lighting** Paul Anderson

**Sound** Christopher Shutt

**Projection** Sven Ortel for mesmer

**Costume** Christina Cunningham

A Complicite co-production with barbicanbite07, Ruhrfestspiele, Wiener Festwochen, Holland Festival, in association with Theatre Royal Plymouth

### **Dates and time:**

July 17<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> 2008

Schedule: 20.30

Running time: 1hr 55mins

### **Tickets available at**

**Taquilles del Palau de la Virreina**

Rambla, 99

08002 Barcelona

Telephone: +34 93 316 11 11



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Schedule: from Monday to Sundays (10.00 to 20.00)

**Tel·Entrada. Caixa Catalunya**

24 hours service.

Telephone: 902 10 12 12

Telephone (outside Spain): (+34) 93 326 29 46

**Address**

Teatre Lliure - Sala Fabià Puigserver

Passeig de Santa Madrona, 40-46 - Barcelona

Tel. +34 93 289 27 70

**Access**

Metro: L1, L3 Plaça Espanya

L3, Poble Sec

Buses: Stopping Plaça Espanya: 9, 13, 27, 30, 37, 50, 57, 65, 109, 157, N0, N1, N2, N13, N15, N53, EA, EN