

# **MAJOR FIESTAS PROGRAMME 2021**

## **FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

**18:00 LIGHTING OF THE ARTISTIC ILLUMINATION**, by our Queens, at Martínez Alejos avenue and Opening of the "Porrat" (street market) at Emilio Ortuño avenue.

**19:00 INAUGURATION OF THE FAIRGROUND**, near the Bullring. Children's day: special prices.

## **SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

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

**11:45 OPENING OF THE DOORS AT SAINT JAMES AND SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH**, to sing the **VERSES IN HONOUR TO THE VIRGIN**.

**12:00 ANGELUS AND BELL RINGING** and spectacular **AIR BOMBING** from various places around the town to announce that...

### **THE MAJOR FIESTAS 2021 HAVE BEGUN!**

**12:15 BRASS BANDS PARADE**, starting from Plaza de San Jaime to finish at Auditorio Julio Iglesias (L'Aigüera park). Itinerary: Mayor street, Alameda del Alcalde D. Pedro Zaragoza Orts, Herrerías street, Plaza de SS.MM. Reyes de España (Town Hall) and Auditorio Julio Iglesias.

**13:00 GATHERING OF BRASS BANDS**, at Auditorio Julio Iglesias to perform the piece "FIESTA IN BENIDORM".

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**17:00** At Levante Beach (close to Bilbao avenue), **THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE OF THE FOUNDING OF THE VIRGIN** (FIESTA FROM THE VALENCIAN COMMUNITY DECLARED TO BE OF INTEREST) by the theatre group of "La Barqueta". It is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this theatrical performance. Afterwards, **SALVOES OF HONOR**, by the pyrotechnics company "Pirotecnia Alicantina Hermanos Sirvent", to announce the Founding of our Patron Saint, the Virgin of the Suffrage.

**18:30 SOLEMN PROCESSION**, leaving from Mediterráneo avenue / Europa avenue through the following streets: Mediterráneo avenue, Plaza de la Hispanidad, Martínez Alejos street, Plaza de la Creu, Alameda del Alcalde D. Pedro Zaragoza Orts and Mayor street, ending at 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**. Afterwards, the Anthems of Benidorm and the Valencian Community will be sung, to end with a **SMALL FIREWORK DISPLAY**, at Plaza de la Señoría, done by the pyrotechnics company "Pirotecnia Alicantina Hermanos Sirvent".

**IMPORTANT: RESTRICTED ACCES TO THE CHURCH FROM MAYOR STREET.**

**01:00** Pyrotechnical-musical show and dance, by "Colla Dimonis Polopins", at Mercasa area (close to Foietes Park)

## **SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER: VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE'S DAY**

**08:00** "DESPERTÀ" (awakening by the sound of firecrackers), from Plaza de la Señoría, to announce the Day in honour to the Virgin of the Suffrage.

**11:30 SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR PATRON SAINT, THE VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE**, at Plaza de SS.MM. Reyes de España (Town Hall). Afterwards, **AIR BOMBING** and **PARADE**, around the streets of the Old Town.

**14:00 MARVELLOUS "MASCLETA"** (super big banger) at avenue Jaime I (Poniente Beach), done by pyrotechnics company TURIS.

**17:00** Children's show at Auditorio Julio Iglesias (L'Aigüera Park).

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**19:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR TO THE VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE**, starting at San Jaime Church. Itinerary: Mayor street, Carmela Martínez street, Plaza del Torrejón, Virgen del Sufragio avenue, Alcoy avenue, Valencia street, Plaza de la Hispanidad, Gambo street, Martínez Alejos avenue, Plaza de la Creu, Alameda del Alcalde D. Pedro Zaragoza Orts, Mayor street and Plaza de San Jaime. Afterwards, traditional "**ESTAMPETA**" in honour to the Virgin of the Suffrage, at Plaza de San Jaime.

**IMPORTANT: RESTRICTED ACCES TO THE CHURCH. THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN ATTEND THE PROCESSION FROM PLAZA DEL TORREJÓN ON.**

**23:00** The traditional "**COPLETES**" will be sung to the Virgin of the Suffrage, at Plaza de SS.MM. Reyes de España (Town Hall).

**00:00** Concert of the famous Orchestra “**CUÉNTAME EL MUSICAL**”, at Auditorio Julio Iglesias (L´Aigüera Park).

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### **MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER: SAINT JAMES´ DAY**

**08:00** “**DESPERTÀ**” (awakening by the sound of firecrackers), from Plaza de la Señoría, to announce the Day in honour to Saint James, our Patron Saint.

**11:30** At Plaza de SS.MM. Reyes de España (Town Hall), **SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR TO SAINT JAMES**. Afterwards, **AIR BOMBING** and **PARADE**, around the streets of the Old Town.

**14:00 THUNDEROUS MASCLETA** (super big firecrackers), at avenue Jaime I (Poniente Beach), done by the pyrotechnics company “Pirotecnia Alicantina Hermanos Sirvent.

**19:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR TO SAINT JAMES**, starting at San Jaime Church. Itinerary: Mayor street, Carmela Martínez street, Plaza del Torrejón, Virgen del Sufragio avenue, Alcoy avenue, Valencia street, Plaza de la Hispanidad, Gambo street, Martínez alejos avenue, Plaza de la Creu, Alameda del Alcalde D. Pedro Zaragoza Orts, Mayor street and Plaza de San Jaime. Afterwards, traditional “**ESTAMPETA**”, in honour to Saint James.

Inside the temple, the names of the members of the organizing committee (“Mayorales”) of the Fiestas 2022 will be revealed.

**IMPORTANT: RESTRICTED ACCES TO THE CHURCH. THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN ATTEND THE PROCESSION FROM PLAZA DEL TORREJÓN ON.**

**00:00** Concierto de “**EFFECTO PASILLO**” en el Auditorio Julio Iglesias (L´Aigüera Park). Free admission while the maximum authorised capacity is not reached.

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### **TUESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

**08:00** “**DESPERTÀ**” (awakening by the sound of firecrackers), from Plaza de la Señoría.

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

**14:00 HUGE MASCLETÀ**, at avenue Jaime I (Poniente Beach), done by the pyrotechnics company “Pirotecnia Alicantina Hermanos Sirvent.

**17:00** Children´s show at Auditorio Julio Iglesias (L´Aigüera Park): “**Sophie. La troupe malabó**”. Lyrical circus. Sponsored by the councillorships of Culture and Gender Equality.

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### **WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

**08:00** “**DESPERTÀ**” (awakening by the sound of firecrackers), from Plaza de la Señoría.

**11:30 “FESTA DE LES FESTES”**. Informal parade of the different Fiestas Committees, departing from Plaza de Neptuno. Itinerary: Marte street, Tomás Ortuño street, Paseo de la Carretera, Plaza de la Creu Herrerías street and Plaza Doctor Fleming, ending at Plaza de SS. MM Los Reyes de España.

**13:00 CHILDREN´S “MASCLETÀ”** and **CANDY FIRECRACKERS** at Plaza SS. MM. Reyes de España, done by the pyrotechnics company TURIS.

**19:00 FLOAT PARADE** starting at Alcalde Don José such Ortega street and going through the following streets: Almendros avenue, Marte street, Venus street, Ruzafa street, Martínez Alejos avenue, ending at Alcoy avenue (Levante Beach).

Afterwards, **MARVELLOUS FIREWORK DISPLAY** at Poniente Beach (Harbour), done by the pyrotechnics company Pirotecnia Valenciana.

**DON´T FORGET TO RESPECT THE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND WEAR A MASK WHENEVER IT IS MANDATORY. LET´S ENJOY THE FIESTAS SAFELY!**

# **¡MERRY FIESTAS FOR EVERYONE!**

**IMPORTANT:** The Tourist Office is not responsible for any of the changes that may happen.