

The Formentera Office of Culture is pleased to announce Marià Villangómez Library has programmed a presentation of the book *Junil a les terres dels bàrbars*, by author Joan-Lluís Lluís, for 7.30pm, Tuesday 4 October.

Lluís's seventh novel is an act of faith in the imagination: a grand and splendid adventure in which escapades are the language and strangeness the condition. In distinctly fable-esque fashion, our heroine first appears before readers hanging papyrus in her father's bookshop, and it is in the shadow of his contempt that she learns to read. When he dies, Junil flees on foot with three slaves, traversing the frontier and learning the game of life as she goes, where gods and languages vary.

Joan-Lluís Lluís (Perpignan, 1963) is a Catalan novelist, poet, translator, essayist and columnist. Among his multiple literary honours are the Sant Jordi Prize for *Jo sóc aquell que va matar Franco* and

the Òmnium Prize for Novel of the Year for *Junil a les terres dels bàrbars*

. Lluís's works have been translated into Basque, Spanish, French and Czech.

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