

The Office of Commerce of the Consell de Formentera reports that during the month of November the exams were held to obtain the craft card (*carta d'artesania*). Ten people applied to obtain the card for jewelry, costume jewelry, trimmings, fabric, weaving, leather, leather bags, sewing and object decoration, and another will try to obtain the title of master artisan of jewellery.

Ana Juan, president and commerce councillor, asserted, "We are working to add value to Formentera crafts" and recalled that this May six new craft cards were delivered when the accreditory exams returned after a five year hiatus. The president also highlighted "applicants' remarkable interest, which speaks to our artisans' drive to continue growing".

Applicants must pass an exam evaluated by the technical panel made up of managers of Consell de Formentera departments and master craftspeople. Examinees must demonstrate making their speciality product while members of the examining board observe the working methods and ask practical questions about technique and production process.

At present, there are 68 card-holding artisans, eleven master artisans and four honourary master artisans on Formentera.

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