



This Thursday, November 9 at 8.00pm, historian Santi Colomar will be at Marià Villangómez library to offer a talk titled “Arms, struggle and resistance on Formentera (16th to 20th century)”. The evening will include meditations on the island's function as an observation point and battleground between Ibizans and North African corsairs when stripped of regular inhabitants. On the growth of a local population from the 18th century, and the subsequent formation of militias to confront external dangers. On the 19th century, when disappearing outside perils left the commonplace presence of arms intact. On one exceedingly rare case of bloodshed, a duel at can Damià des Trull in 1919. On the Spanish Civil War and episodes of struggle and resistance on Formentera, namely the strike, organised by the CNT, of workers of the island's salterns during the Second Republic (1936-1939) and popular protests to defend natural spaces like sa Pedrera, or stop outsize projects like es Ca Marí campsite.