The Formentera Office of Culture is pleased to report that next week, *Balada de la Garsa Vella*, a play written by Bernat Joan i Marí and directed by Àngels Martínez, will be performed on Formentera. Pedro Cañestro Theatre will present the show next Saturday 12 March at 8.30pm in the Sala de Cultura (Cinema), part of L'Illa a Escena.

Balada de la Garsa Vella is a celebration of life through the performing arts. Life and theatre, theatre and music, music and movement, movement and spirit blend voluptuously on stage.

The protagonists –Laura and Dàlia (a former contortionist and an ageing cabaret singer, both long retired); Rosa (a retired actress); Enric (a retired amateur actor who lives on his earnings from rental properties) and Jaume Prunaseca (stage name Romeu, a former successful actor who summons them)— are joined by an enigmatic clown and a pianist at a party which is organised by the guest of honour himself. Each will try to give his/her best on stage, to uncertain effect.

Meanwhile the Hippy Grim Reaper will be following things closely, watching out for unsuspecting prey. His presence will prevent neither party nor unexpected plot twist.

Eivissa-born writer Bernat Joan i Marí has published novels, youth fiction, short stories and plays such as: *El Gegant des Vedrà* (Eivissa, 1993), *Marc Ferrer: Formentera, la Nova Terra* (Eivissa, 1996),

Jocs de Matances

(Eivissa, 2012) and more. Other work includes stage adaptations for the Eivissa Arts i Oficis theatre group of

Lisístrata (Aristofànes)

and, based on Aristophanes's

Assemblywomen

and performed by the Institut d'Estudis Eivissencs theatre group,

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Àngels Martínez studied acting at the Escola d'Arts i Oficis from 1990 to 1995 with Pedro Cañestro and at the Antonio Cantos Escola d'Art Dramàtic from 1999 to 2004. Other theatrical works have included *Tirano Banderas*, *Revolta de bruixes*, *El zoo de cristal*, *La casa de* 

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and more. She has also participated at theatre festivals in the Balearic Islands and Technis Theatre's international festival in London.

## **Admission**

Tickets are available on www.entradesformentera.cat for €7. Unemployed individuals, under-employed freelancers, retirees, under25s and single-parent and large families receive a 50% discount.

The function will be hosted in line with health and safety protocol and in compliance with current guidelines.

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