



TOURISM

The Summer Nights favor the number of visitors to the museums

The staff of the BiciLab, the Carmen Thyssen museum and the miniature museum take stock

The activities of the museum have made the Thyssen recover pre-pandemic figures

MARICEL BLANCH



►► The entrance to the Carmen Thyssen Andorra Museum.



Xavi

BICILAB GUIDE

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Alicia

THYSSEN PRODUCTION TEAM

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In the case of the Thyssen, the sound proposal offered a musical tour through the different works of the exhibition «that allowed you to relax, listen to music, and let yourself be carried away by the sounds. It's a way to do something different when you come to a museum», said Alicia. This is a fact that captivated the attention of many people, perhaps an example of how to do different activities that manage to leave with intrigue.

Compared to the previous July, the museum went from 2,171 visitors to 2,332, surpassing the pre-pandemic figures. In the case of the BiciLab, no comparison can be made, since they inaugurated it less than a year ago. As for August, as in other sectors, museums have more activity coinciding with families' summer holidays. The museums cannot advance figures of what they expect during the second fortnight of August, but they all trust that it will be positive and achieve a good end to the season. ≡

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Tourism is one of the Principality's strong points, and that's why EL PERIÒDIC spoke to guides and managers of the country's various museums to find out how this summer season is going. One of the BiciLab Andorra guides, Xavi, commented that the balance is quite positive, despite being a museum that opened in October last year. In this space, approximately 80 to 90 people come daily. During the summer we have received «what would come to be double the number of visitors compared to the regular season», detailed Xavi.

From the Miniature Museum located in the parish of Ordino, the owner of the establishment, Antoni Zor-

zano, explained that «we are working very well, better than last year. We have approximately 100 to 120 people a day.» The owner stated that «perhaps this year we are working 10% more than last year».

On the other hand, the museum located in the parish of Escaldes-Engordany, Carmen Thyssen, has a very positive balance of the season, thanks in part to the different activities and proposals they have organized, both for family weekends and for the summer schools, «in general this educational part has been covered with great success», pointed out Alicia, a member of the museum's production team.

One of the reasons that has brought many visitors to the museums is the multiple activities and exhibitions that have been organized as part

of the Summer Nights at the Museums. From the BiciLab they pointed out that despite not completing the full capacity in the two activities that were organized, there was a complaint and «they went well enough», explained Xavi, while adding that from the museum it was not done either a big bet, but visits were limited to the temporary exhibition they had recently opened.

During the Summer Nights activities, the Thyssen had different proposals: the first was on July 20th with a theatrical visit by the actress Núria Montes. The actress took on the role of the expressionist artist, Gabrielle Münter, and the capacity was full in the three steps that were carried out. The second was on August 3rd, with the musical proposal Color & Songs by Roser Puigbò and David Sanz. «It

was a concert for 40 people that helped us complete the cultural offer through very different activities», specified Alicia. This is not only proven by these figures but also by the record of visitors received so far. During the month of July they received 2,332 visitors and during the first fortnight of August 1,544, in both cases higher figures than last year's summer season.

Regarding the feedback from the visitors of the different museums, the response is quite positive. «I can really tell you that this is where we have the surprise, and that is that people leave the museum very delighted», emphasized the BiciLab worker. The same goes for the Miniature Museum, where people leave their appreciation in a book and through internet reviews, «we are very happy because they are mostly very good», stated the owner.

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EVENTS

A tower of the Clot d'Emprivat of Escaldes-Engordany burn down

The insulating material or a short circuit are possible causes of its origin

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Escaldes-Engordany had a scare last Friday at noon after one of the towers under construction caught fire. Specifically, it is the twelfth floor of the Clot d'Emprivat area, and according to a hypothesis from the Fire Brigade, the fire could have started in a bucket of the same building, since it contained insulation material or a small short circuit that was made by manipulating some tool. The head of the Fire Department, Marc Roger, commented that the entire protective grid of the work was burned, which forced it to be completely evacuated. The workers who were working were quickly evacuated as a precaution. In order for the fire brigades to work better, the Police and the municipal traffic ser-



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MARC ROGER

CHIEF FIRE FIGHTING OFFICER

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vice cut off the traffic on the avenue of the United Nations of the parish.

At 1:40 p.m., a citizen alerted the fire brigade after seeing fire coming out of the building. Minutes later, four fire brigades, with 13 personnel, had to travel to the scene, and after a few minutes the fire was declared extinguished.

According to EL PERIÒDIC, four people were affected by smoke inhalation and they had to be treated by the Fire Department ambulance and two private ambulances that went to the scene. Roger reported that «at the moment we are doing temperature checks with a thermal camera to rule out temperature points that could cause us problems later». ≡

SOCIETY

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►► A donor during the extraction process.

New blood donation campaign next month

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The Andorran Red Cross is organizing a new blood donation campaign in September. As reported by the entity through social networks, the initiative will take place from the 18th to the 20th of next month at the Andorra la Vella congress center, and they encouraged citizens to

book one of the available dates for carry out a «great action» such as donating blood.

It should be remembered that the last campaign was carried out in July at Prat del Roure in Escaldes-Engordany and had the participation of 397 donors with a total of 470 milliliters of blood, although 33 were discarded and were counted as an offer. It is also necessary to take into account that the most numerous donors during the last initiative were residents aged between 25 and 54 with blood group A and O positive. The Red Cross is also planning to organize a last blood donation campaign in November. ≡

ENCAMP

All planning licenses can be done electronically

Thus, there will be 18 procedures that can be done 100% via the Internet

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The Municipality of Encamp informed that planning licenses can be processed entirely electronically through the municipal website from next Monday, August 21st. In total, there will be 18 procedures in the urban area that can be done 100% via the Internet, from the ap-

plication to the resolution. One of them, the minor works license application, could already be done digitally from 2022, where a total of 229 applications were registered for this section.

The electronic incorporation of these requests is part of the digitization and expansion of electronic processing project that is being carried out by the Municipality of Encamp. The initiative aims to facilitate administrative processes for citizens so that they can do the procedures without having to travel,

gaining in service and efficiency.

Documentation signed and, if applicable, endorsed electronically / To be able to do the procedures electronically, you will need to have the electronic certificate. If acting as a natural person, the certificate can be requested directly from the local council. If you act as a representative of a society, this must be requested from the Government. As for the professional associations, they will have to present the documentation in digital format (in PDF), signed and, if it was

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►► The procedure section of the Municipality of Encamp.

necessary, electronically verified.

The Municipality of Encamp will inform the association of building contractors of Andorra (ACODA) and the country's professional

associations of the new electronic processing methodology and of the documentation that must be provided to carry out the planning licenses. ≡

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