



CULTURE

# Good reception of the first edition of Andorra Crea

The initiative has made it possible to contact different programmers from all territories

The objective was the creation, dissemination, and promotion of the circulation of the country's creations in other territories



ANDORRA CREA

► Image of one of the Andorra Crea shows.

ANNA MENCOS VIÑALS  
ANDORRA LA VELLA  
@PeriodicAND

One of the main objectives of the 'Andorra Crea' festival is to open a showcase for the country's culture. For this reason, the organization contacted programmers from neighboring countries so that they could attend this weekend's performances in order to stimulate the recruitment of Andorran artistic proposals abroad, thus promoting internationalization, the professionalization and development of the Principality's cultural industries. The head of the Cultural Action area of the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports, Joan-Marc Joval, explained that they make a very positive assessment, «the truth is that the objectives have been achieved

so much as to present the proposals of the creation of the country, how to attract the public to this creation, make it enjoyable and also generate interest and real contracts and transactions with programmers from outside and also from Andorra". Precisely, Joval pointed out that the initiative has made it possible to put different programmers in contact, «some cards have been exchanged, it has been said that we are interested in your show, and I think it is something very important not only as direct hiring of shows, but to expand the network». He also commented that outside programmers have saved references for other projects in their country where the proposal could fit in and for this reason Joval pointed out that with «Andorra Crea, we have realized that we have open-



JOAN MARC JOVAL  
HEAD OF CULTURAL ACTION

«We have opened the door to all kinds of collaborations, and to make co-productions between Catalan-speaking territories»

«I think there should be a second edition, maybe we'll rethink it in the spring»

ned many doors indirectly».

One of the points that was also discussed with the attending programmers is the possibility of creating co-productions and synergies between the different territories. «We spoke with a programmer from Valencia to seek funding to make co-productions between companies in the country and from Catalan-speaking territories», commented Joval, noting that since the festival «we have opened the door in a concrete way to all kinds of collaborations».

The head of cultural action explained that a total of eight programmers have participated, two from plastic arts, and six from performing arts, and in shows like the one held on Saturday in Canillo, about a fortnight took part of artists. To conclude the celebration last Sunday at noon, a meeting between professionals and artists was held, as in a kind of «brotherhood lunch», and around 80 people took part in total.

At the level of the public, Joval detailed that despite not yet having the final results of ticket sales, the public who attended the various events stated that Andorra Crea had worked very well, «the public told us that they had understood the reason for the proposal and the reason for condensing it into one weekend». From the organization they calculate that in the rooms where there are seats, they were at 70-80% occupancy, and the public spaces, «were full».

With regard to a possible second edition, he explained that professional colleagues from outside commented that «September in particular is difficult, there are many festivals, many program launches, in all the neighboring territories they launch the theater, dance and music, they recommended that if we could choose a date to do it, it'd be better if it weren't in September, because it's more competitive.»

Faced with this recommendation, he stated that they are looking at it and studying it, but «there will probably be a second edition, I think there should be, maybe we will rethink it in the spring, we also have to see if we make it a biannual milestone to give our programmers more time to produce work, to do their research periods», detailed Joval. ≡

Don't miss any special editions  
of **El Periòdic!**

SOCIETY

# Success in the first congress of dentists in Andorra

It was held this weekend at the Unnic Centre

EL PERIÒDIC ESCALDES-ENGORDANY @PeriodicAND

Resounding success in the first congress of dentists, held this weekend at the Unnic Centre. The event was organized on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the opening of the dental clinic, the Policlínica Dental Rogé, by Dr. Michel Rogé. To celebrate this anniversary, the doctor organized a series of international conferences on the future and evolution of this profession. Specifically, a total of 13 talks were held, where the specialist brought events of this type to Andorra for the first time: «The aim is to open the door to an annual international dental congress being organized in Andorra», mentioned Rogé. The congress was held throughout the weekend at the Unnic comprehensive leisure center, from 09.00 to 19.00 hours on Saturday; and from 09.00 to 13.00 hours on Sunday, and everyone who was interested could attend.

Dr. Rogé's talk dealt with how scientific advances are changing the way we understand aesthetics and dental prostheses. Under the name 40 years of evolution in dental aesthetics, the dentist asked if



►► Poster with the lecturers who participated in the congress.

## The meeting brought together nearly a hundred dental specialists from all over the world

the values and references of the past should be questioned in order to enter a new universe, where technology and new materials are considered carriers of excellence, or, if, on the contrary, we should continue to strive to combine tradition and avant-garde with the aim of better preserving the creativity of the clinic and the uniqueness of the patient. The meeting brought together nearly a hundred dental specialists from all over the world, among which there was representation from the neighboring countries, Spain, France and also Portugal; in

addition to the participation of some professionals from the Andorran sector, such as Dr. Helena Martí, who is part of the team at the Rogé Dental Clinic, or Dr. Vincent Clos, both lecturers of the day.

As for the rest of the experts who offered their knowledge of dentistry to the general public, there are Dr. Serge Armand (Toulouse), Dr. Fabrice Baudot (Montpellier), Dr. Philippe Colin (Montpellier), Dr. Ormir Bushati (Albania), Dr. Telo Iceta (London), Dr. Jean François Lasserre (Bordeaux), Dr. Ernest Lucas (London), among others. ≡

METEOROLOGY

METEO ANDORRA

Estació meteorològica	
Borda Vidal	
Roc de Sant Pere	
Central hidroelèctrica (FEDA)	
La Comella	
Les Salines	
Engolasters (FEDA)	
Ransol (FEDA)	

Tx 1/10/2023	T
31,6°C	2
31,6°C	3
29,6°C	2
31,7°C	2
27,8°C	2
28,1°C	2

►► Image of temperatures.

## Record maximum temperature during October

EL PERIÒDIC ESCALDES-ENGORDANY

The meteorological service of Andorra reported that last Sunday the maximum temperature record for the month of October was exceeded at all stations. The other figures reached 31.6°C in Borda Vidal, Roc de Sant Pere and Comella. The previous record had been on October 12th, 2011, when they reached 29.8°C, 31°C and 29.5°C, respectively. Looking ahead to today, slightly fewer warm temperatures and dominance of the sun are expected, with maximums of 29°C in Andorra la Vella, 26°C at 1500 meters and 17°C in Pas de la Casa. ≡

SOCIETY

# Protest at the Andorran embassy in Madrid for the right to abortion

Activists showed their support for Vanessa Mendoza

EL PERIÒDIC ESCALDES-ENGORDANY

A group of Femen activists protested last Sunday in front of the Andorran Embassy in Madrid to support Vanessa Mendoza, president of Stop Violence, who is facing trial for defending the right to abortion in the co-

untry. The demonstrators, through a statement, wanted to express «our sisterhood with Vanessa and with all the feminist militants who fight to decriminalize a fundamental right for women: abortion». In the same letter, published on their social networks, they report that in Andorra abortion is prohibited in all cases, «it is the most restrictive country in Europe, together with Malta, in terms of reproductive rights».

In addition, they criticize that

«banning abortion does not prevent them from occurring, it only makes it more unsafe and deadly to expose oneself to a clandestine abortion».

The activists, who appeared in front of the embassy bare-chested, had tattoos on their bodies with messages such as «with Vanessa Mendoza. Femen», «universal right to abortion» or «abortion is not a crime».

The meeting brought together nearly a hundred dental specialists from all over the world. ≡



►► Activists in front of the Andorran embassy, last Sunday.

Your leading real estate agency in Andorra.

Our experience guarantees results, realtors since 1988.



(+376) 353 424 / (+376) 379 769

(+376) 747 747

laportella@andorra.ad

Casa Nova Olivet 10 · Ordino

www.laportella.ad