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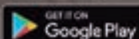
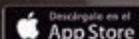
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The headline of the very first issue of Lancelot January 1 1985 reads "British Lead Lanzarote League." Based on the figures we had received, more holidaymakers came to Lanzarote from the UK than from any other country. Amazingly nothing has changed over the past thirty seven years and each year the UK has remained the source of the majority of tourists to this island followed. It would be interesting to calculate how much income the British holidaymakers have generated among local hotels, apartments, restaurants, car hire and other tourist services over the past 37 years for the benefit of the economy of Lanzarote.

It was good news that Larry Yaskiel, the editor of this magazine, was awarded the BEM by the British Ambassador followed by an invitation for him and his wife Liz to attend a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. (See page 14).



REMINDER LOCAL ELECTIONS

Local elections take place on May 28th when British Residents are permitted to vote for their local Ayuntamiento (municipal council) if they had registered to do so by the end of January. Most foreign residents live in Tias, Tegui and Yaiza.

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Purple Flowers

Dear Sir,

When we arrived on holiday this year we were struck by seeing so many flowers in bloom. The hills and valleys of the countryside were full of poppies and daisies and a host of other colourful wildflowers. One violet/purple plant stood out in abundance all over the island especially along the coast. Could you tell us its name?

Gibson and Margaret Francis
Aberdeen and Playa Blanca

GUINEVERE The purple plant you refer to is barrilla or saltwort, whose ashes are a source of impure sodium carbonate. Known in Spanish as barilla, in the nineteenth century these ashes were used in the manufacture of soap and glass. At that time Lanzarote barilla was highly prized and the entire crop purchased by traders in London. Even nowadays locals use crushed barilla

to remove stains from their hands and garments.

Because of this colour the islands of Lanzarote and Fuerteventura were known as Las Purpurias, or the Purple Ones, on account of the predominance of this wild plant along the coast. The pre-Hispanic name of the island is Titeroygatra which translates as the Rose-coloured Hill, presumably for the same reason.

Historians believe that the appearance of these plants on the coasts was noted by sailors from Italy early in the 14th century who reported on this when they returned to their home port in Genoa. At that time Genoa was a city-state where textiles and dyeing were amongst the most important industries in Europe. This led to Lanzarotto Malocello, a member of one of the leading merchant families to set sail for the islands.

He was the merchant adventurer who brought this island group in

the Atlantic to the attention of the European Powers especially this island which was referred to on maps as "found by Lanzarotto Malocello" and has been called by his name ever since. This led to the Normans landing here in 1492 and annexing the territory to Spain who had financed the expedition after France declined.

Volcanic Heat

Dear Sir,

I have visited the Canaries for many years and I wondered whether the underground volcanic heat from the numerous volcanoes on each of the islands cannot be used to generate electricity. A friend of mine has just returned from a holiday in Iceland and he brought me the following report in a newspaper article on the subject.

'Iceland is a pioneer in the use of geothermal energy for space heating. Generating electricity with



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geothermal energy has increased significantly in recent and geothermal power facilities currently generate 25% of the country's total electricity production.

During the course of the 20th century Iceland went from what was one of Europe's poorest countries, dependent upon peat and imported coal for its energy, to a country with a high standard of living where practically all stationary energy is derived from renewable resources and geothermal sources accounts for 66% of Iceland's primary energy use.

I don't know what the legal situation is in the Canaries (Spain) but the ownership of resources inside the ground is the property of the State of Iceland, unless others can prove their right of ownership. From the earliest of times, geothermal energy has been used for bathing and washing and continues to be used for many other purposes.

Geothermal energy is a renewable energy source that can be utilised in a sustainable or excessive manner. Excessive production from a geothermal field can only be maintained for a relatively short time, and can indicate over-investment in wells and power plant equipment. As a result of a rapid expansion in Iceland's energy intensive industry, the demand for electricity has increased considerably in recent years. I hope the Canary Islands which follows a strict policy of sustainability, can harness volcanic energy in a similar manner.

Best wishes
Phil Bottomly,
Gateshead and Tenerife

GUINEVERE Thank you very much for the information which we have passed on to the Canary Government Department of Industry. They informed us that they have put out

tenders to conduct research on these high energy sources on the islands of Tenerife and La Palma.

Dollar Bay

Dear Sir,

Our family has just returned from a diving holiday on Lanzarote which we very much enjoyed. Close to where we live in Ireland is a resort called Dollar Bay on the Hook Peninsula which has an annual diving contest which is somehow connected to Lanzarote. Can you tell us why? Yours sincerely,


Lionel Conway
Famara, County Wexford, Ireland

GUINEVERE A famous Scottish seaman and historian, George Glas, wrote a landmark history of the ancient inhabitants of Lanzarote and Fuerteventura which was published in London in 1760, and again in Ireland in 1764, and is still used by scholars. Glas was returning to



Wine cultivation on Lanzarote is unique, with vines planted individually in small craters. Volcanic grains shield the grapes from the sun and a wall protects from the wind. Many thousands of such craters in the La Geria wine region are catalogued the the New York Museum of Modern Art as "Engineering without Engineers."

Due to the terrain, grapes are planted and harvested manually, resulting in high labour costs. When visitors buy a bottle of Lanzarote-origin wine, a they actively contribute to the preservation of a traditional method of viniculture in danger of dying out.



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England with his wife and daughter in his boat the Earl of Sandwich, when four members of the crew mutinied and killed Glas and his family off the coast of Wexford as they suspected he was carrying a large amount of the fortune he had amassed whilst trading in the Canary Islands. Among the treasures were hundreds of gold doubloons many of which were found by fishermen over the next few years.

A nearby cove was named Dollar Bay because of the incident. The Hook Peninsula Tourist Authority used to hold an annual dive at Dollar Bay at which divers were invited to try their luck in a search for the hidden gold coins. Last year El Grifo, a local vineyard, named a red dessert wine George Glas, in his memory. By the way, the mutineers were captured and hanged in Dublin. An original copy of his book is preserved in the library of Trinity College, Dublin.

Gofio

Dear Sir,

What is the origin of the local dish Gofio?

Stella and Fred Humphries
Hartlepool and Yaiza

GUINEVERE Gofio is a cereal said to have been the staple diet of the pre-Hispanic Guanche inhabitants of the Canary Islands. It consists of maize

roasted, then ground to flour and used as a breakfast cereal, a thickener for soups, as biscuit dough and in dumplings, it is also referred to as the forerunner of cornflakes.

Before the arrival of the Norman at the beginning of the 15th century only barley was known, it was only after the colonisation that wheat and some pulses such as chickpeas and beans were added. In the 16th century the range of cereals was increased with the spread arrival of millet from the American colonies which soon became popular and spread all over the Islands. The original inhabitants would toast the gofio in earthenware pots and then use hand-grinders made from porous basalt stones of different shapes.

During the 1940s the Canary Islands went through a period of extreme hardship due to its isolation from mainland Spain during the Civil War, 1936-1939 followed by WW2 1939-1945. The belligerents on both sides denying their opponents access to the Archipelago putting a virtual stranglehold on the import and export of vital goods and supplies to feed the population. The economy of the Islands, so closely linked to the UK and Europe through its fruit and vegetable exports was adversely affected and was faced with one of the most difficult decades in its history.

During this period of depriva-

tion and starvation Gofio became the salvation. During those years of hunger it became the staple diet of the Canary Islanders who mixed the life-saving cereal with milk, broth, honey, oil or water. When there was a scarcity of wheat, millet or barley, wild cereals from shrubby plants and berries from trees were used.

Tenerife Lace

Dear Sir,

An article on traditional clothing on Lanzarote in a previous issue referred to Tenerrife Lace. Do you have any more details about it and why was Tenerrife spelt with two 'rs' rather than the customary one 'r'?

Heinrich Gayer, Mala and Munich

GUINEVERE Although Tenerife the island is always spelt this way, somehow traditional items are sometimes spelt with an additional 'r'. The spelling of the names of several islands, have undergone changes over the years.

According to Rowena Spencer M.D. a Canary Island Descendent from San Bernard, Louisiana, the lace is used as decoration for individual medallions sewn on to garments with or without cutting away the underlying fabric. Sometimes several can be tacked together to make a doily or a table covering they can be attached to the end of a garment or curtain or hung on a curtain or



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Christmas tree. Nowadays Tenerife lace usually consists of a medallion of radial threads all of which cross the centre of the circle, recalling the fine tracery of the spider's web. The method used for making it on Tenerife resembles needle weaving but is typically more open and delicate. Variations are created by changing the shapes of the open spaces and by interlocking the free-spanning threads. Oddly made shapes may also be made with the threads running radially or at right angles to each other.

Teneriffe lace is thought to have its origins in the Middle Ages developed from the technique of linen drawn work (pulled thread work). Threads pulled from four sides of a rectangle of fabric leaving a square open area at each corner and a web of threads across this space was filled in with embroidery stitches which were later adapted for

use in Tenerife. In the 17th century, lace makers began using pins set in a firm pin-cushion around which to "stretch the web" which still popular today using a weighted cushion or a metal, wood or rubber frame. These rigid foundations are more convenient and efficient than the flexible linen on which basting stitches must be made and later removed.

Brian Eno

Dear Sir,

In a report about the resumption of concerts at Jameos del Agua Auditorium following the Covid 19 restrictions which listed several international artists who have performed there over the years including Brian Eno. I have been a fan of his since Roxy Music right through his solo career and as a producer of other artists such as David Bowie U2 and Coldplay. As he came to Lanzarote to play and set up a video insta-

llation in the Green Caves in the mid 1980s, did he have anything to say about his switch from 'glam rock' to ambient music?

Simon Jeffries

Iswich, Playa Blanca

GUINEVERE Brian Eno's connection with Lanzarote began when he was invited to perform at a Visual Music Festival at Jameos del Agua in 1986 founded by multi-faceted local artist Ildefonso Aguilar. Whilst on the island he was fascinated to hear palm leaves rustling in the wind and recorded the sound. He went on a four hour solitary walk through the Fire Mountains and upon returning he said, when he saw the red and white barrier at the entrance to the Volcanic Route, he felt they were the most vivid colours he had ever seen in his life.

'It reminded me of the remarks

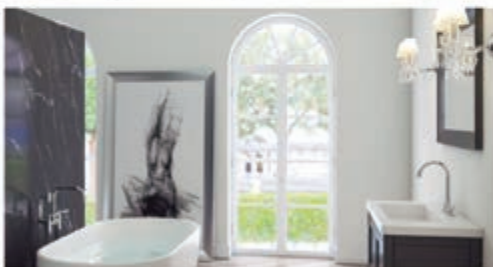
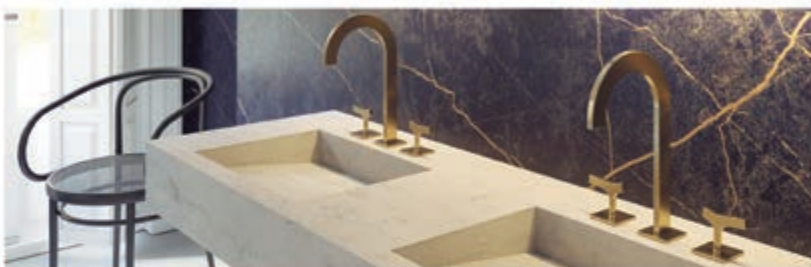


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made by one of the first astronauts to land on the moon who said that everything seemed to be grey at first but after a while you begin to notice the difference between the various shades of grey. I thought all the volcanic rock was one colour for the first half hour or so and then began to distinguish between the various shades.'

A Lancelot reporter asked him why the majority of his musical output was devoted to ambient music which was so different from the mainstream pop he had recorded with Roxy Music or had produced with David Bowie and Talking Heads. He replied, 'It is not a case of ambient being a different kind of music. It's more a change of one's perception in what you do with the music. Music is not ephemeral, it is solid like a sculpture or a painting. It should be part of the atmosphere, part of the environment. You don't expect look

at a painting for forty-five minutes, take it down and put it away. You have it there and occasionally you enter into it.'

'Music should be the same. One of the problems is that most composers think that this attitude is a demotion of their creativity. But it isn't it's a new perception, a new way to like and enjoy it. It does not do away with the traditional ways of composing, listening or making records, it is purely a new dimension.'

'Convention has it that there is a certain pattern of synchronisation running through most music, and composers think that it is expected of them to write with a vertical cross-section going through the whole piece. Take rock music for example. You know there is an intro, a verse, a middle eight or chorus with a hook line here or there. Classical music as such has a similar pat-

tern running through it, as in a symphony or a concerto, and however varied the compositions, a certain pattern exists and is recognisable.'

'Now, I believe that this is contra to what happens in real life. Take meteorological cycles, for example, what creates a high zone, is all different cycles moving at different times, and at certain times, by chance, they all peak together. This creates a certain weather pattern, but this is neither predictable or a process that regularly repeats itself. A unique harvest, for instance. But the same thing never happens every day or every year at the same time.'

'The same applies to music. I deliberately compose music to not follow a pattern, but to peak in the same manner (as the weather). If I may say so, when it does all synchronise, it is by chance, i.e. unsynchronised cycles.'

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**Houston-Lanzarote****Dear Sir,**

My husband Larry just returned from a weekend trip to visit his Aunt Stella in Goliad, TX. The reason for his visit was to share with her our beautiful memories and photos of our summer trip o Lanzarote with her as well as to share the Lancelot article with her. When aunt Stella saw the magazine and saw pictures of us and of her in the article, she literally put her hands on her chest and looked up to the sky and was without words while tears of joy ran down her face. She was in utter amazement and puzzled as to how we were able to capture her thoughts and life into an article from Lanzarote of all places. Lanzarote, a place she knows all too well from her years of genealogy research and where her family ancestry was directly linked to.

Larry reminded her that she was the one that led us to Lanzarote



Lanzarote camels on a greetings card from Houston, Texas

with all her stories about the old days. Since Larry can remember, not a single family or social gathering took place without Aunt Stella recounting over and over again the stories of the generations before them. Some of us got to the point that we had memorized all her sto-

ries but still enjoyed listening to her retell the story anyway. She was so proud of the family history that she would tell anyone that would listen about our story.

Because of her strong passion for preserving our rich history, she joined a task force that set out to erect a monument that would pay tribute to her family and others for their contribution to the State of Texas. She and others fought for years and independently raised money to secure the statues proper placement at the front of the Capital Building, in Austin, TX. The monument is a testament to the contributions that the Spanish and Mexican settlers had to the rich history of present-day Texas. Aunt Stella, her husband (Uncle Willie), and her brother, Benny C Martinez, were instrumental in securing the Tejano Monument.

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Bertha Valle



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Canarian Wrestling happy outcome

Dear Lancelot

We love Lucha Canaria – Canarian wrestling. My students from University of Chichester get to as many matches as we can when we visit the island each year. We also try it for ourselves. One great place to do this is the public wrestling arena in Mancha Blanca.

But one unhappy student learned the hard way that you must remove all loose jewellery first – after he discovered that he'd lost a treasured pendant. It was a Christening gift that he'd worn every day for the last 20 years. Everyone searched for it, but with no joy.

Five months later we were back. It was the last day of another successful Chichester week on the island. I found myself back at Mancha Blanca. Was it worth a look? I gave



Amulet recovered after being lost in the beach at Playa Blanca one year ago

myself ten minutes. Nothing at first sight, then an old Spanish 25 peseta coin - so clearly the sand hadn't been replaced for a long time!

I started raking the surface systematically. Ten minutes became twenty. And then I saw it. Beautiful silver, shining in the sun. True jubilation! A few moments later I'd sent a photo back to England and the student replied "OMG Yes!"

We must all have our stories of Lucha Canaria. This one is as special to me as any victory in the wrestling arena.

Duncan Reavey,
University of Chichester

GUINEVERE: Dr Duncan Reavey is Senior Lecturer Teaching and Learning and Physical Education at Chichester University who are celebrating their 25th annual campus on Lanzarote. See details on page 16.

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British Ambassador Hugh Elliott presents the British Empire Medal to Lancelot Island Journal Editor Larry Yaskiel in the offices of the Lancelot Media Group in Arrecife

Invitation to Garden Party at Buckingham Palace



Photos Suso Betancort

The Ambassador, "Larry has an unrivalled understanding of the connections between the UK and Lanzarote which he has shared in his articles for over 30 years which quickly became a valuable source of information for British residents, helping them to integrate into island life. Some of the most fascinating links include the numerous references to Canary wines in Shakespeare and his theory that La Graciosa is the inspiration for Robert Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island."

In his response Larry said, "I would never have reached this stage without the solid support of my beloved wife Liz. When the Ambassador graciously offered to hold the medal award ceremony in the British Embassy in Madrid or any other venue of our choice we opted for the offices of Lancelot in the presence of all our colleagues "who have treated us like family and supported our work in every way possible since the very first issue. We are all part of the same team which creates Lancelot Island Journal"

We are grateful for the generous response in the local media and from many other individuals and institutions. Among them Canarias 7, La Provincia, Crónicas de Lanzarote, Biosfera Digital, El Champlon, Diario de Lanzarote, the Press Association of Lanzarote and Fuerteventura, Prensa Ayuntamiento of Arrecife, Detours and Sidetracks, Chicheser University, Oxford University, Ediciones Remotes.

As we were going to press Larry and Liz Yaskiel received an invitation to attend a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace which we hope to report upon in our next issue.



The British Ambassador to Spain, Hugh Elliott presents the BEM to Larry Yaskiel on behalf of the Queen



(L-R) Vice Consul Las Palmas Jackie Stevenson, the British Ambassador Hugh Elliott, Liz and Larry Yaskiel, Jorge Coll, Editor Spanish Lancelot and Lancelot Digital, Andres Martinon Chief News Reporter and Betty Romero, Graphic Designer of the Island Journal





Family photo: The British Ambassador and Vice Consul with the entire team of Lancelot



Photo Buttons

The Ambassador was highly interested to read an account of the trial for treason of Sir Walter Raleigh at the Tower of London in 1716 during which a major incident that took place on Lanzarote was quoted in evidence by the prosecution



British Vice Consul Las Palmas Jackie Stevenson who we wish to thank for arranging the event, with Liz Yaskiel



Mayoress of Arrecife Astrid Pérez welcomed Larry and Liz Yaskiel to her office to offer her congratulations for receiving the British Empire Medal from the British Ambassador to Spain Hugh Elliott on behalf of the late Queen Elizabeth. The Mayoress of the island capital is the highest dignitary to receive the couple as Lancelot Island Journal was founded in Arrecife in 1985



The Press Association of Lanzarote and Fuerteventura passed a motion congratulating Larry Yaskiel and Liz on his receipt of the medal, "the first such award ever bestowed on a working British journalist in Spain"

50 Years Costa Tegui - 25 Years Chichester University



Mayor of Tegui Oswaldo Betancort at the 50th anniversary Costa Tegui Gala congratulates Dr Duncan Reavey for 25 years of visits to Lanzarote who carried a message of gratitude to Lanzarote from the Vice-Chancellor. He was accompanied by 35 staff and students staying at Costa Tegui for two weeks. Photo Liz

Chichester group in Timanfaya National Park where geology can be brought to life through songs and games. The students made their own short selfie movies highlighting their own feelings on why this is such a special place for each of them personally - and shared their movies across social media


“Thank You Lanzarote!”

Dr Duncan Reavey, Senior Lecturer Teaching and Learning and Physical Education

“Thank You Lanzarote!” – words from Chichester 2023 marks the 25th year of study visits to the island by University of Chichester students and staff who have gone to all corners to understand smugglers and surf, lichens and gofio, wrestling and

stick-fighting - and everything you could ever want to know about volcanoes.

Lancelot has reported on these adventures every step of the way. Thank you Larry, thank you Liz, and thank you Lanzarote!



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Message from Professor Jane Longmore, Vice-Chancellor, University of Chichester



I am delighted to send this message marking the 25th Anniversary of our 'winter campus', the two-week residentials for our Adventure Education students in Lanzarote. The University values these opportunities for our students to work on Lanzarote and to learn from motivated and knowledgeable local people from across the island. You have provided chances for students to explore natural and human environments that present all kinds of challenges and opportunities - for example in sustainable development, outdoor adventure education, and primary school teaching. This partnership has only been possible with the continuing support of the Cabildo, the Centro del Profesorado de Lanzarote, Timanfaya National Park,

and the Cesar Manrique Foundation. The University is very grateful for 25 years of comprehensive coverage of our activities by Lancelot magazine and Lancelot Digital TV who also introduced our staff to the principle education authorities on Lanzarote. We are grateful to all those who have provided a warm welcome to the nine hundred visitors from the University of Chichester who have taken part in these residentials over the past 25 years. We look forward to all the possibilities of the next 25 years.

To convey my personal thanks to all in Lanzarote, I am attaching a photograph set against suitably exotic foliage – and, yes, it was taken at our campus in Chichester!

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A Lasting Impression

By Davey Walters

To a newcomer such as myself, Lanzarote is paradoxically beautiful. It is in many ways defined by a single phenomenon, volcanoes, and its element of uniformity is uniquely stunning. But the environmental complexity of a volcanic archipelago -an a recently active one at that- has given rise to a captivating variety of landscapes, deep cultural history, and undeniable charm. These photos are just a glimpse of the many varied and memorable moments that have stayed with me after my time on the island.



Rock Pigeons take advantage of the natural landscape and human presence. Their young are safe in nest scrapes underground in lava tunnel jameos, while the adults collect food in tourist-rich locations such as the camel rides in Timanfaya National Park



Montaña de Tinaguache under the unpolluted night sky is the picture of grandeur. An older, extinct volcano, its caldera is larger and more sunken than those further south



Endless, winding lava tubes are home to the sanctity of deafening stillness and every shade of pitch darkness. To traverse miles under the earth is to connect with a place in the deepest way possible, quite literally



Although it lacks the lush forests of its Canary neighbours, Lanzarote boasts a surprisingly large sample of fauna, particularly in the avian dimension. Spanish Sparrows such as these males are adaptable denizens of both the arid desert cacti and the bustling streets of Arrecife


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Main Fiscal Novelties 2023

2023 begins loaded with tax and tax news. In this post we will tell you about some of the most important ones, many of which include the already published Startups Law and the General State Budget Law for 2023.

1. Reduction for obtaining income from work (IRPF)

With effect from January 1, 2023, the amounts that will reduce the net income from work are increased, also increasing the amount below which this reduction is applied.

The reduction applies to those taxpayers with net income from work of less than 19,747.50 euros. Of course, if they do not have income, excluding exempt income, other than work income, greater than 6,500 euros.

Since January 1, 2023, the Personal Income Tax Law provides the following:

“Taxpayers with net income from work of less than 19,747.5 euros (before €16,825) as long as they do not have income, excluding exempt income, other than work income greater than 6,500 euros, will reduce the net income from work by the following amounts:

Taxpayers with net income from work equal to or less than 14,047.5 euros: 6,498 euros per year.

Taxpayers with net income from work between 14,047.5 and 19,747.5 euros: 6,498 euros minus the result of multiplying by 1.14 the difference between the income from work and 14,047.5 euros per year”.

2. Changes for taxpayers who receive income from more than one payer (IRPF)

The threshold is raised, in such a way that taxpayers who receive earned income from more than one payer are not required if the sum of said returns does not exceed €15,000 (previously the limit was €14,000).

3. Corporate Tax: reduction in the tax rate for certain companies

The tax rate is reduced from 25 to 23% for entities whose net turnover (INCN) for the immediately

preceding tax period is less than €1,000,000 and is not considered a patrimonial entity.

For these purposes, the net amount of the turnover will be determined in accordance with the provisions of sections 2 and 3 of article 101 of the Corporation Tax Law.

4. New developments in the deduction for maternity

Another of the tax novelties that we highlight is the modification that has occurred in the requirements to be able to apply the deduction for maternity.

Now, women who have children under 3 years of age with the right to apply the minimum for descendants can reduce the differential fee by up to 1,200 euros per year for each child under three years of age until they reach that age, provided that one of these criteria is met. requirements:

At the time of the child's birth, they receive contributory or assistance benefits from the unemployment protection system.

At the time of the child's birth or at any later time, they are registered in the corresponding Social Security or mutual insurance scheme with a minimum period, in the latter case, of 30 days of contributions.

Until 2023, only mothers who were self-employed or employed by someone else for whom they were registered in the Social Security or Mutual Fund system received the aid of 100 euros per month per child.

Now, after this modification, as of January 1, 2023, all women who have children under three years of age may apply the maternity deduction.3. Corporate Tax: reduction in the tax rate for certain companies

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5. Change of coefficient in the calculation of the Municipal “Plusvalía”

In relation to the Tax on the Increase in Value of Urban Land, the amounts of the maximum coefficients applicable to the value of the land are updated according to the period of generation of the increase in value, for the purpose of determining the base of said tax, with the following generation periods and respective coefficients to set the tax (with effect from January 1, 2023):

1 year: 0.15; 2 years: 0.14; 3 years: 0.15; 4 years: 0.17; 5 years: 0.18; 6 years: 0.19; 7 years: 0.18; 8 years: 0.15, 9 years: 0.12; 10 years: 0.10; 11 years: 0.09; 12 years: 0.09; 13 years: 0.09; 14 years: 0.09; 15 years: 0.10; 16 years: 0.13; 17 years: 0.17; 18 years: 0.23; 19 years: 0.29; >20 years: 0.45.

6. Changes in the IS introduced by the Startups Law

In relation to emerging companies, the tax rate applicable to IS and IRNR is reduced, from 25% to 15%, during the first tax period in which the tax base is positive and the following three. For this situation to occur, taxpayers must maintain the status of “emerging company”.

Secondly, it should be noted that the deferral of the IS or IRNR tax debt is allowed in the first two years from when the tax base is positive, without guarantees or late-payment interest, for a period of 12 and 6 months respectively. In addition, the obligation to make instalment payments of IS and IRNR is eliminated in the 2 years after the one in which the tax base is positive (provided that in those years they maintain the status of emerging company).

There are more tax novelties, but these will be content of our next article.

A Brief Guide to Property Purchase



LANCELOT has prepared the following for the benefit of holidaymakers unfamiliar with the language and laws of Spain. It is not, and is not intended as, a substitute to advice from a solicitor and/or an estate agent.

Only buy from the office of an Estate Agent and seek the services of an independent solicitor.

It is not advisable to give anyone a GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY. Where necessary, it is prudent to grant a limited power of attorney (only) to an independent solicitor.

Do not believe that you are protected because the conveyance will be notarised, as the Notary presumes that you are acting on the advice of your Lawyer.

When buying property insist on the presence of an impartial sworn translator. By law a Notary can refuse to notarise a deed if the conveyance is not translated into the language of the party(ies) concerned.

Before you purchase make sure the Vendor has paid all back property taxes, *Impuesto sobre bienes inmuebles*, to the local Town Hall, by checking the receipts.

If, by purchasing, you will become a member of an Association of Owners, make sure that the Vendor has paid all his community bills. Also check on the liquidity of the Association itself, and examine their statutes, *estatutos*. Their rules may not permit you to keep your domestic pets.



Before buying land present a written enquiry at the local Town Hall (with a return address on the Island) asking if there is planning permission to build on the site of your choice and if any building restrictions apply there.

Instruct your solicitor to conduct a search at the Property Registry, *Registro de la Propiedad*, immediately before the conveyance and return there as soon as the notarised document can be collected from the Notary.

Make sure that your architect is one of the 24 members of the Canarian College of Architects working on Lanzarote, otherwise you will have to pay a second fee. If in doubt call the Colegio de Arquitectos in Arrecife on 928 800799 or fax: 928 800798. Spanish-speaking.

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Hospiten Lanzarote incorporates augmented reality in knee replacement

The Trauma Department uses browser software to improve placement of the implant, ensuring maximum reliability

The Hospiten Group is performing augmented reality-based arthroplasty surgery to improve the placement of knee prostheses and ensure a faster, more optimal recovery. In this procedure, the surgeon is assisted by real-time software providing an improvement in the final alignment of the implant. Hospiten Lanzarote is the only private clinic on the island performing the procedure and is at the forefront for its patients.

Augmented reality-based arthroplasty reduces the general need for revision surgery, i.e., the need to replace the implants in the future, ensuring maximum durability and reliability in implant placement. The software and the surgeon work in synergy with each other achieving excellent results, even in the most difficult cases. In fact, augmented reality-based surgery is indicated for any patient as the computer generates a virtual image which guides the surgeon to the millimeter, reducing the margin of error below 0.01%.

Dr. Borja Segarra, a specialist in



Hospiten Lanzarote is the only private clinic on the island using the technique, achieving excellent results for the patient

Orthopedic Surgery and Traumatology at Hospiten, states that "it sometimes seems that medical technology cannot be applied to everyone, but the truth is that, in this circumstance, the difficult cases benefit most from this type of surgery. He reiterates that the main advantage is better alignment and balance of the components implanted, improving the overall technical quality of the surgery.

Further benefits are reduced bleeding during surgery and faster recovery, thus reducing hospital stays to a minimum. The Hospiten specialist points out that this surgery can offer the patient a "much more modern, effective" alternative. He ends by saying that "patients leave satisfied with the results" and points out that "this aspect is good for both parties, for the patients and for the surgeon."

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Puerto del Carmen

Central Southern Route La Geria

Puerto del Carmen, the island's largest tourist resort, has almost 13 kilometres of beaches and a picturesque fishing harbour in the Old Town. On the main Island highway close to the Puerto del Carmen turn-off, a road opposite leads to ASOMADA. Drive through and turn left at the first T junction until reaching a main road. This is LA GERIA, the wine-growing region of Lanzarote where grapes are cultivated in a manner not used anywhere else in the world. The result is an unforgettable landscape dominated by the sight of thousands of shallow pits stretching as far as the eye can see.

The young vines planted inside are covered with layers of porous black volcanic grains which feed them moisture and protect them from the harsh rays of the sun. They

are sheltered from the constant Trade Winds by the semi-circular walls of dry volcanic rock above.

Puerto Calero Marina

One of Europe's truly beautiful marinas in a magnificent setting which hosts international regattas. The bustling commercial area is enhanced by an open air Museum of Sculptures located among the landscaped pathways comprising 12 impressive pieces by important artists. Watch out for the Puerto Calero signpost on the main island road between Puerto del Carmen and Yaiza.

Yaiza and El Golfo

Turn left driving past UGA village until rejoining the Island highway where YAIZA is soon reached. The town square contains several buildings typical of Lanzarote's traditional architecture with the Town Hall

at one end and the ancient Los Remedios Church at the other.

To the right a few kilometres along after the town is a sign to CHARCO DE LOS CLICHOS, the GREEN LAGOON, (and neighbouring EL GOLFO village), which is reached after a short ride along a winding picturesque coastal road. A brief stroll round the corner brings us to the GREEN LAGOON. Scientists are not absolutely certain as to the source of its colour, some believe it is caused by algae, others attribute it to the green olivine semi-precious stone, found in abundance on the Island. (There are several good fish restaurants around the bay at EL GOLFO).

Returning along the coast there is a large parking area to the right. The seas below can frequently be seen battering away at the cliffs trying to force a way through. During the



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18th century volcanic eruptions, lava thrown out by the volcanoes covered a large area of the ocean in this area which it has been attempting to reclaim back ever since.

Yet another pretty scene just a few hundred metres along is presented by the JANUBIO salt ponds. Employing over one hundred workers at the turn of the century to provide sailing ships with salt for keeping food fresh, the salt works gradually fell into decline with the advent of refrigeration.

Stratvs Vineyard

Driving through La Geria from the direction of Yaiza, Bodegas Stratvs is on the right directly off the main road. The display at the shop in the spacious visitor's gallery offers a fascinating glimpse into traditional wine cultivation on Lanzarote. The vineyard is open 7



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Playa Blanca Papagayo Beaches

Twenty years ago a tiny fishing village, PLAYA BLANCA on the south coast, is now a flourishing but tranquil resort with a beautiful beach bordered by a picturesque restaurant-lined promenade. The small harbour is used by ferries sailing to Fuerteventura, the Fred Olsen Express car ferry makes the 20 minute crossing six times daily.

Close by along the headland to the east several paths lead to the magnificent PAPAGAYO BEACHES. Composed of several small bays and coves, many consider these golden sands to be the most beautiful in Spain.

Marina Rubicón

This harbour at Playa Blanca combines the most modern and well-equipped docks for sea-going yachts with the olde-world charm of traditional island architecture housing amenities and facilities on the shoreline including an art gallery. Two new deluxe hotels overlook the marina and the coastal promenade.

The Fire Mountains

Returning north on the main road turn left in YAIZA to MONTAÑAS DEL FUEGO, the FIRE MOUNTAINS, part of TIMANFAYA NATIONAL PARK. This region was devastated by intermittent volcanic eruptions over a six year period, 1730 - 1736. The scenery is both breathtaking and vividly awesome, a few hundred metres to the left a string of camels await passengers for a scenic ride round the rim of a volcano.

The red and white barrier at a toll booth signals arrival at the road which leads to the parking area at Hilario's Plateau.



Playa Honda. San Bartolomé

Here the DIABLO RESTAURANT serves meals from a grill fitted across a natural volcanic chasm, with geothermic heat rising from the bowels of the volcano cooking the food!

A coach fitted with multi-lingual commentary leaves to tour the nearby region of volcanic destruction taking a route offering the clearest indication of what took place here some two and a half centuries ago. There are stops for photographs and the 45 minute trip is included in the price of the admission fee to the Park. Open daily 09.00 - 17.00 hrs.

For the best times and conditions to visit the Cabildo Tourist Centres download the CACT Lanzarote App at Apple Play or Google Store.

Timanfaya Information

On exiting via the barrier turn left and after two kilometres watch out for the Timanfaya Visitors Centre on the left before Mancha Blanca. This is an excellent source of multi-lingual information about the Park and its volcanoes. Admission is free, open 7 days a week 09.00 - 16.45.

El Monumento

Continue past Mancha Blanca to Tao, turn right until the next roundabout. The MONUMENTO AL CAMPESINO at the right of the road was one of the first creations of the late Cesar Manrique whose intention was to commemorate past generations of Lanzaroteans who stuck to their toil in the fields even after volcanic eruptions had devastated their most fertile land. These hardy early 18th century pioneers invented the irrigation method still in use throughout Lanzarote today. They had noticed that wherever an amount of black volcanic grains known as picon thrown out by the volcano had settled on fertile soil, some type of plant-life eventually emerged from the ground. Soon realising that the grains were porous, farmers began covering their fields with picon. The typical farm house contains a restaurant serving local cuisine. Nearby, the public can watch artisans create traditional arts and crafts which can be purchased in the souvenir shop. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00, restaurant 12.00 - 16.30, bar 10.00 - 17.45.



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San Bartolomé

A short distance along take the right fork towards San Bartolomé. This is the geographical centre of the island and an important agricultural region where vegetables grow in the sandy 'jable' soil, unique on Lanzarote. Sweet potatoes, water melons and squash are the main crops grown in this region. Buildings of interest in the town itself include the Casa Mayor Guerra, the 18th century home of the former military governor of the island.

Tanit Ethnic Museum

Close to the Town Hall is the Tanit Ethnic Museum which contains a display of the working and cultural life of the island over the past centuries. Open Mon to Sat 10 - 14, closed Sunday.

Cesar Manrique Foundation

On the outskirts of town cross straight over the main Monument-Arrecife road until passing some ruins on a plateau to the left. Continuing downhill round a sweeping curve for a few hundred metres the imposing white gateway of the FUNDACION CESAR MANRIQUE appears on your left with its adjoining spacious parking area. The Foundation is housed in what was originally one of the world's most uniquely beautiful homes built by Cesar Manrique for himself and where he lived for over twenty years. Set in a sea of petrified lava and constructed on two levels by interlinking five volcanic bubbles, this residence has attracted journalists from the world's leading architectural magazines and as a work of art in its own right is certainly worth visiting.

In September 1992 only six months after the Foundation opened its doors Cesar Manrique was killed a few yards away in a car accident. Without his intuitive genius for enhancing without spoiling natu-



Costa Tegui

re, Lanzarote would today look just like many other holiday resorts with sunshine and nice beaches. Open Monday to Saturday 10.00 - 18.00 hrs and Sunday 10.00 - 15.00 hrs.

Museo Agrícola El Patio

The buildings and grounds of El Patio Farm Museum represent an authentic and comprehensive reconstruction of traditional Lanzarote folklore and culture including its unique agricultural history. Take the Arrecife-Tahiche main road, turn right at Tiagua and follow the signs. Mon - Fri 10 - 5.30, Sat 10 - 2.30.

Northern Route Tegui

The main road north from Arrecife leads to TEGUISE, the capital of Lanzarote for over 500 years until ceding the title to Arrecife in the middle of the last century. Moorish corsairs attacked this old town many times murdering, pillaging and carrying its inhabitants off into slavery. A small alley at the side of the

church in the main square is called Sangre - Blood - on account of Christian blood flowing through the nearby streets on many occasions. Opposite, the SPINOLA PALACE fronted by two stone lions was the home of a wealthy 19th century merchant family which has been restored and is open to the public. Every Sunday and Public Holiday a market is held in and around the square.

The resort of Costa Tegui has five beaches the largest of which is Playa de las Cucharas.

Piracy Museum Santa Bárbara Castle

Standing on Mount Guanapay overlooking Tegui is strategically placed to overlook the coastline on both sides of the Island and was originally built to warn the Island capital below if pirates were sighted.

A Piracy Museum is located in the medieval fortress with a wonderful array of interactive screens, panels





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and information boards with the names and histories of some of the most famous names of pirates and privateers in maritime history. British and North African buccaneers prowled the waters of the Canaries in search of booty as well as attacking individual islands such as Lanzarote which suffered a series of devastating raids from the 16th until the 18th centuries.

The Pirates Museum open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 Sunday and Public Holidays 10.00 - 16.00. Currently closed for alterations.

Timple Music Museum Palacio Spinola, Tegüise

This museum in the beautiful interior of the 19th century Spinola Palace is dedicated to the “timple” miniature guitar whose strident tones are known as the “The Sound of the Canary Islands.” A timple is an integral part of every folklore group and the museum traces its evolution on the island since the start of the last century. Fifty-five instruments from all over world are on display, all of which create a similar sound to the “timple”, the most well known of these is the Hawaiian ukelele. Open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 . Sunday and Public Holidays 9.00 - 15.00. Closed Saturday.

Haria

The road north passes Los Valles an important agricultural village continuing past several laybys offering commanding views across to the opposite coast. Rounding some sharp curves cut through the cliffs the road descends to HARIA, nestling peacefully in the Valley of 10,000 Palms. Reminiscent of a North African oasis the town was a spa for wealthy Canarians in the past. The Artesanal Market every Saturday 10.00 – 14.30 is rated 5 Stars by Trip Advisor; Arts & Crafts Workshop Mon-Sat 10-14.00.



Arrecife

Manrique House Museum

Follow the signs to the House Museum of César Manrique in Haria. It was the artist's second home where he spent the last few years of his life having converted his original residence into the Foundation at Tahiche which bears his name. Everything has been left in the original state it was in when he died. Open 7 days a week, but advance purchase of tickets is recommended due to limited capacity.

Mirador del Rio

Continuing northward past Magüez village a road towards the cliff-top leads to Guinate Tropical Park. A short drive on the main road and you arrive at MIRADOR DEL RIO, a belvedere with breathtaking views of the straits below and islands out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.

The Green Caves

The route continues downhill towards the GREEN CAVES, (open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.), on the opposite coast over a region known as Malpais de la Corona, ‘badlands’ caused by the eruption of nearby Monte Corona. During an eruption whilst debris is shot out skywards, volcanoes also often break out below ground, a molten lava stream forging a tunnel. One such volcanic tunnel, the Atlan-

tida, is below the earth's surface at this point which at 7 1/2 kilometres is the longest in the world.

Jameos del Agua

This large grotto harbouring an underground lake forms the last section of the Atlantida Tunnel and came into being when the molten lava stream met the cooler waters of the nearby Atlantic Ocean. An amenity not to be missed in this wonder of nature embellished by Cesar Manrique, is the underground concert hall located in a massive volcanic cavern. Open daily 10.00 - 19.00 hrs. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, 19.00 - 03.00 hrs.

The Cactus Garden

The route south passes through several villages until reaching an area where the fields are all planted with cacti. Known as the ‘tunera’ cactus it attracts the female cochineal beetle from which carmine dye is extracted. Dusty white patches on the leaf indicate a colony of this parasite and if crushed turn to bright crimson. Guatiza village is the centre of this cactus crop and is the home of JARDIN DE CACTUS - the CACTUS GARDEN - the seventh and last of the Tourist Centres, which opened in March 1990. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs



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Arrecife

Continuing south the road leads past a white stone gateway leading to Costa Teguise, one of the three major tourist resorts on Lanzarote. Arriving at the capital ARRECIFE, home to half of the 70,000 inhabitants of Lanzarote, whose tree-lined promenades and SAN GINES Lagoon are beautifully landscaped. A colourful street market takes place on the promenade every Wednesday selling traditional island arts and crafts among other items.

The main shopping area is in and around Calle Leon y Castillo which has a drawbridge at one end leading to SAN GABRIEL Castle, the Arrecife History Museum. A drive around the NAOS fishing harbour past some abandoned windmills leads to another medieval fort, CASTILLO SAN JOSE, whose 18th century interior was converted by Cesar Manrique in 1974 to house the International Museum of Contemporary Art. Open daily 11.00 - 21.00 hrs. On the lower floor an excellent restaurant with panoramic views out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 01.00 hrs

Marina Lanzarote

Just a short walk from the town centre along the seafront leads to the shops and restaurants of the luxury Marina Lanzarote, newly-opened in October 2014. A first class selection



Haría

of shops and boutiques overlooking the colourful tableau of transatlantic yachts bobbing at their moorings await the visitors as well as dining facilities to suit every taste and every pocket, offering everything from local and international cuisine to smart snack bars and cafeterias.

Golf - Theme Park

The island has two 18 hole par 72 golf clubs at Puerto del Carmen and Costa Teguise as well as Rancho Texas animal theme park at Puerto del Carmen.

Rancho Texas

Rancho Texas is an animal and water park close to Puerto del Carmen and just off the main island road. Among multi-ple attractions: a live sea lion show, dol-

phin interaction, a huge pool with water slides, a splash park and a country and western show. Among services is a free bus pick up. Open 265 days a year.

La Graciosa & Fuerteventura Ferry

Lineas Maritimas Romero operate frequent sailings from Orzola Harbour to La Graciosa as well as excursions from Puerto del Carmen. Other services include: Water-taxi Puerto del Carmen-Puerto Calero and Water-bus Playa-Blanca- Marina Rubicón-Papagayo. Departure and arrival times are convenient for tourists wishing to spend a whole or half day on Lanzarote's sister isle.

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Picturesque Chimneys

Decorate Lanzarote

Roof Tops

Luis Ibañez, architectural designer and impassioned environmentalist, explains the differing characteristics of the numerous chimneys adorning the roofs of houses and public buildings on the Island

Collated by Larry Yaskiel, photos Luis Ibañez, Liz

Born in Tarrasa (Barcelona) Luis Ibañez came to Lanzarote in 1960 and has been actively involved in safeguarding traditional Lanzarote architecture stressing the importance of building new homes or refurbishing older ones in the manner of past generations.

Together with César Manrique, Pepe Dámaso and Yayo Fontes, Luis Ibañez purchased and refurbished the premises of El Almacén in Arrecife in 1974 as the first cultural centre in the island capital. He also accompanied César Manrique when the artist was taking photographs all over the island for his landmark work on

the traditional architecture of the island – “Lanzarote – arquitectura inédita” which was launched at El Aljibe Art Gallery in El Almacén.

Luis Ibañez designed Puerto Calero Marina for proprietor José Calero, which opened in 1989 as well as creating models of five traditional houses for home owners to choose from. He also served as honorary artistic director for the Ayuntamientos of Tias and Yaiza, the Boutique Hotel Palacio de Princesa Ico in Tegüise and the refurbishment of Casa Mayor Guerra in San Bartolomé, the residence of the first Military Governor of Lanzarote.





Architect Luis Ibañez at the drawing board

Other works include the Casa Eólica Wind Farm in Los Valles, the protective outer wall in Puerto del Carmen harbour and designed certain features at Lanzarote Airport. In combination with César Manrique he refurbished the premises of La Era at Yaiza as a restaurant, one of only three edifices in the municipality left standing after the volcanic eruptions of the nearby Fire Mountains in the early 18th century. (It is now a boutique hotel.) Luis also refurbished important buildings in Betancuria on Fuerteventura.

Soon after the opening of Lanzarote's first tourist hotel, Los Fariones in Puerto del Carmen in 1967, General Manager José Figue-

reo asked Luis Ibañez to suggest a traditional local item to send to 1,000 of their clients all over Europe as a New Year's greeting. He suggested miniatures of Lanzarote chimneys, a different one each year for which Luis would sketch a scaled-down version with exact measurements.

Luis has won many architectural and environment awards including the Silver Merit for Tourism and the Environment from the Canarian Government in 1995 for carrying out projects in a "totally honorary capacity and for constant efforts throughout his artistic career to conserve the environment."

24 Basic Styles of Traditional Chimney

There are 24 basic styles of traditional chimney and originally the three sizes large medium or small reflected the station in the life of the occupant. Outstanding examples of the most elaborate chimneys still grace the roofs of two truly traditional 18th century homes, Casa Mayor Guerra at San Bartolomé, residence of the island's military governor and Spinola Palace in Teiguise, home of a wealthy family of

merchants. Both are now the property of their respective Town Halls who have meticulously restored them to their original state, and are open to the public.

No one knows the exact origin of the variety of picturesque chimneys seen throughout the island and why Lanzarote is the only Canary Island where so many designs are to be found. Described generally as Byzantine, they originated on the Algarve and were probably first built to adorn the homes of Portuguese as a reminder of their homeland when they settled on Lanzarote. Early in the 15th century, Portugal had unsuccessfully laid claim to the Canary Islands.

Modest homes had smaller chimneys on their roofs. The rounded shape of an oven bulging out from the kitchen wall can still be seen throughout the island. Food was cooked in pots placed on two stones above a wood-burning hearth, the smoke, fumes and cooking odours being dispersed via outlets in the chimney. Nowadays traditional chimneys serve in the main solely as a decorative feature, many apertures on the older refurbished ones, have been filled in.





*Residents of San Bartolomé donated the Casa Mayor Guerra building to the Town Hall when it was in an abandoned state, who then refurbished it to its original appearance and opened it to the public. When carrying out refurbishment work to the historic mansion several years ago, architect Luis Ibañez restored the chimney to its original state.
Photo Ramón Pérez Niz*

Spinola Palace was built by Feo Peraza between 1730 and 1780. His son José Feo de Armas was the mansion's most famous resident. The name of the Spinola building appears in the local register for the first time in 1895. In 1984 Casa Spinola building was carefully restored under the supervision of César Manrique and the ownership was transferred to Tegüise Town Hall



Epilogue

Arguably, the first use of a working chimney serving serve as a decorative feature, may be attributed to innovative Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí (1852-1926). At the beginning of the 19th century he designed, Casa Pedrera, an up-market apartment block on the corner of Barcelona's most fashionable boulevard Paseo de Gracia and placed chimney tops of varying designs and at different heights on the roofs.



Among a collection of miniature traditional Lanzarote chimneys

Documentary of One Million Years B.C.
Starring Raquel Welch
Hollywood – Made on Lanzarote

**Produced by Lancelot Media Directed and Original Concept by Andres Martín
Photos Suso Betancort**



This highly entertaining film documents the production of One Million Years B.C. starring Raquel Welch on Lanzarote in 1966 at a time when the economy of the island was on the verge of dramatic change from the centuries-old agriculture and fishing to tourism through three major events. The start of the creation of the Tourist Centres awaiting the return of César Manrique; the construction of the first water desalination plant and the opening of the island's first tourist establishment, the Fariones Hotel in Puerto del Carmen



Several local extras in the sea at El Golfo, recall their roles in their unique experience playing alongside the star Raquel Welch, who recently passed away at the age of 83



The reality of the audiovisual as background to the movie was principally brought to life by the testimony of people who had acted or were related to the actors. Teresa Coll and Malola de la Hoz whose characters belonged to the same tribe as the star Raquel Welch; and the son of Bernardo Niz, at that time a famous Canarian Wrestling champion known as the Pollo de Arrecife who played a major role with his name on the billboard. The premiere at Cine Atlantida was attended by 400 people who greeted the film with standing applause. It has since been shown various times on Lancelot Digital.

Principle photography was shot at El Golfo, a green lake bordered by black sand in the Fire Mountains and was the first Hollywood production on Lanzarote with Raquel Welch wearing a costume described as "Cave Man Bikini!" Sixty years later the poster is still selling.

Lanzarote extras included Mercedes and Teresa Coll, Mati Fiestas, Tita Tenorio, Luisa Romero and Marilola de la Hoz. In the interview Teresa Coll and Marilola de la Hoz recalled "originally, the producers wanted the girls to wear the same scanty costumes as Raquel Welch in the famous poster but at that time the highly conservative government of General Franco ruled Spain and we did not want to risk their reaction but finally agreed to compromise and wore a more modest styled miniskirt. The pay was 300 pesetas a day plus meals).

Bernardo Niz, son of Heraclio Niz spoke about his father. "The Ayun-



The poster of Raquel Welch in 1 Million Years BC is still very popular almost 50 years after the movie was shot



Heraclio Niz local policeman and Canarian Wrestling champion, played a major role in the film

tamiento of Arrecife paid tribute to Heraclio Niz with a statue at the entrance to C/ Leon y Castillo - a street he patrolled for many years. He was one of the most popular and well known personalities in the history of Arrecife and of the island of Lanzarote. His photograph appeared

in the **National Geographic** magazine January 1969 issue with the caption: "At Your Service!" 'Heraclio Niz Mesa, flashes a smile of 24-carat gold hospitality for visitors to Arrecife for which he received a special award from the Spanish Government in the 1960s."



Director Andres Martinón with Josefina Cavallo and Fran De Luis provided key technical support



Mercedes Coll and Maty Fiestas, key local support extras



Among prominent guests, industrialist Francisco Armas Managing Director of Horinsa Civil Engineering with his wife and friends



Among other participants, CEO Cabildo Tourist Promotion Héctor Fernandez and historian Mario Ferrer



The entire production team of Lancelot Medios who used their years of expertise at Lancelot Digital to excellent effect

A History of Moviemaking in the Canaries

Movie making in the Canary Islands dates back to 1896, when a cameraman for French pioneer movie makers the Lumiere Brothers took some background shots on his way to Central America. Since then the spectacular beauty of the varied Canary landscape has paraded the scenario for over 200 hundred films, TV series and documentaries spanning drama, adventure, science fiction and westerns.

Gregory Peck - Rita Hayworth "César Manrique"

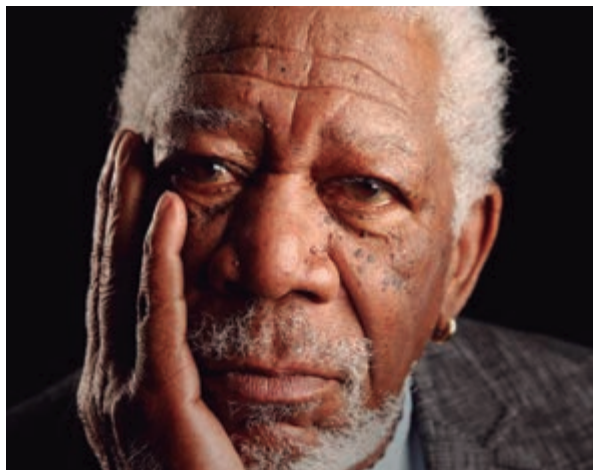
International film production began in 1956 with the John Huston filming of *Moby Dick* starring Gregory Peck which was mostly shot in Las Palmas. Rita Hayworth came to Lanzarote in 1974 to film her last movie, *Road to Salina* for a French-Italian company. It was a gangster film about smuggling filmed along the road from Salinas de Janubio to El Golfo. The last day of production coincided with the opening of a night club at Jameos del Agua and the designer of the Tourist Centre, César Manrique, invited her as guest of honour. The very next day she travelled to Paris for a press conference about the movie where she was asked about the location. She said "I have come from witnessing the creation of the eighth wonder of the world by an artist named César Manrique on the island of Lanzarote. She was then asked, and "where's that?"

Rock Hudson, Morgan Freeman, Dennis Quaid, Penelope Cruz

In 1983, Wolfgang Petersen filmed *Enemy Mine* starring Dennis Quaid in the crater of the Cuervo Volcano in the Fire Mountains. British ambient music pioneer Brian Eno performed a concert in the same volcano some years later and installed his video installation in the Green Caves, his first in Europe. In the 1980s, several episodes of the cult TV series *The Martian Chronicles* starring Rock Hudson were shot on Lanzarote; Franklin Schaffner produced the *Planet of The Apes* in 1968 and Val Guest, *When Dinosaurs*



Moby Dick starring Gregory Peck



Morgan Freeman



Enemy Mine starring Dennis Quaid

ruled the World in 1970. The *Shawshank Redemption* starring Morgan Freeman and Tim Robbins came out in almost 30 years later in 1994. In this cult movie, the main character Andy Dufresne spends 19 years building a tunnel whose entrance was concealed by the Raquel Welch pos-

ter at the time of his escape.

In 2008, award-winning Spanish producer Pedro Almodóvar produced a major section of *Abrazos Rotos* (*Broken Embraces*) starring Penelope Cruz at El Golfo in the same scenario as Raquel Welch in *One Million Years B.C.*



Los Abrazos Rotos starring Penélope Cruz



Mararía Starring Goya Toledo

The most important film with the storyline based on Lanzarote was *Mararía* starring Goya Toledo who was born on the island and has appeared in many Spanish and Hollywood movies. Directed by Antonio Betancort in 1998, the screenplay of was based on a book of the same name by Rafael Azorena featuring real life characters who lived in the village of Femés at the turn of the 20th century. Considered a classic work of Canarian literature the work was published in 1973. The author worked in a telephone company and after seeing an old woman and learning about the legend that circulated in the town about her youthful beauty.

Mararía is a novel written by Rafael Arozarena 1 from the Canary Islands and published in 1973. *Mararía* is considered a classic work of Canarian literature.

The author's inspiration came from Femés, Lanzarote, where he worked in the telephone company, after seeing an old woman and learning about the legend that circulated in the town around her youthful beauty.

Its main genre is the epic novel and within this it is located in the subgenre of love novel. *Mararía* is a beautiful young woman who fell into disgrace by making everyone fall in love.

It is a biography told by various characters at different times. In this novel we find a cultured language of the narrator and certain characters, but a typical popular language of the place and time predominates.



Mararía starring Goya Toledo



It takes place during the Franco dictatorship and it reflects the phenomenon of the emigration of the Canaries to America.

A traveler, about whom not much is known, moves to the town of Femés in Lanzarote. There he is interested in an old woman who walks in the shadows of the night and whom

everyone sees as a witch. His interest is fueled by the stories he gets to hear from the towns people, in the past, many of them, had fallen into his traps.

That old woman in the past, had been a beautiful young woman who fell in love with every young man in the town, but she was not interested in any of them, only in those who could get her away from that jail in which she felt trapped, but her love always ended in a disappointment: from the death of her fiancé to the existence of another woman in the life of the new partner or the death of her own son, the result of a relationship. Everyone in town blamed her for what they were suffering now, for having loved her and even having killed for her, now she is nothing more than an old woman who walks in the dark enduring the barking of dogs and comments from people who see her go by.

Mayor Oscar Noda has proposed author of *Mararía*, Rafael Azorena as Hijo Predilecto "Favourite Son" of Yaiza.



Eating out on Lanzarote

Castillo de San José

Starters include caramelised goat's cheese, Iberian roast pork carpaccio, foie shavings and vanilla salt. Main dishes include, Atlantic wreckfish with king prawn Canarian tuna steak Tataki style, honeyed squid rice with saffron and cured cheese slices, Carved grilled entrecote, Pork cheeks served and seasoned with local salt flower, duck magret with crispy skin served with Porto sauce and dates, Desserts include, goats milk yoghurt with local strawberry compote.
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ternal guests including vegetarians.

On the menu: gyoza of Iberian ham from Finca Uga, chives, green onion, cabbage, ginger, garlic and oysters. Also lobster tempura, king crab and black pig.

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Open daily 12.00 - 16:00

El Diablo Restaurant

A once-in-a-lifetime eating experience awaits guests at the El Diablo Restaurant in the Fire Mountains. Food is cooked on a grill heated by geothermal heat emerging from a vol-

canic chasm below in the bowels of the earth. The temperature inside the mountain at this point is 500° C and even a few inches below the surface it is 100° as can be seen in two displays by park rangers. Before or after your meal be sure to go on the guided tour of the Volcanic Route on coaches equipped with multi-lingual commentaries. The tour is included in the admission price paid at the park entrance.

Open 10.00 - 16.45 daily

Jameos del Agua Dining

The restaurant is considered among the most beautiful dining locations in the world. Rita Hayworth, who had been filming on Lanzarote when it first opened in 1978, told the international press "I have just experienced the "eighth wonder of the world." Selection includes: Tofu tartar served with guacomale, tomato, soft lettuce and soya, sesame and palm honey vinaigrette. Wild asparagus and mushroom risotto with coconut milk, curry and toasted pine nuts; shi-take mushroom. Roasted maize meal roll, vegetable stir fry served with teriyaki sauce. Harvest-fish sirloin with maize meal and cilantro broth or duck thigh confit of sweet potato and figs. Cheese mousse with passion fruit.

Friday nights 3 menus

Vegan - Classic - Premium



THE COLOURFUL CARNIVAL

PROCESSION CELEBRATED IN ARRECIFE

Arrecife celebrates two week of chaos and merrymaking presided over by the Carnival Queen who is not elected on the basis of her looks but rather for the spectacular qualities of her costume. With good reason these creations are known as fantasias. The carnival procession is a massive affair in which individual creativity is expressed through costume, and popular sentiment is revealed by the lyrics of the murgas musical bands dressed in spectacular uniforms, writes Mike Eddy. The final act of Carnival is the Funeral of the Sardine being burnt on the beach.





Two Centuries of Irish Lanzarote Connections

The work that Lanzarote Ireland Network has carried out in collaborating with the Canarian Government in the first trade mission between the Islands, has flourished over the years into strong and valuable relationships. The result is that with 300,000 visitors per year Lanzarote is the number one Winter Destination for Irish travelers

John Topham from Cork

Irish Connections to Lanzarote stretch back to the end of the 1880s when the first imports of Canarian fruit and vegetables arrived in the Emerald Isle especially during the winter months. Greengrocers were stocked with tomatoes and onions, mostly from the Canary Islands but especially Lanzarote. If we turn the clock back one and a half centuries it is remarkable to realize that nearly every single hotel and apartment block now located in Puerto del Carmen - by far the favourite resort of Irish holidaymakers on Lanzarote - is standing on what were once fields upon fields of tomatoes and onions among other fruit and vegetables.

John Topham, a merchant from Cork who settled in Arrecife and was later known as Vice Consul Juan Topham who exported fruit and vegetables to Ireland and other European countries among his other enterprises. He married into a prominent local family Otilia Diaz and founded a dynasty on Lanzarote which produced one of the island's most famous teachers Adolfo Topham. The Topham's original home is now being restored by Arrecife Town Hall under Mayoress Astrid Pérez to be declared a Monument of Historical Significance. His great nephew, journalist Guillermo Topham, senior correspondent of the respected regional daily La Pro-



Unveiling the LIN logo John Kileen of Lanzarote Investments, Anne Le-neghan of Lanzarote Weddings and Enda O'Coineen of the Business Post Group (Ireland)

Holiday world show Dublin 2023, CEO Cabildo Tourism Lanzarote CEO Héctor Fernández accepts the award on behalf of the Island for Irish holidaymakers voting Lanzarote as their favourite Sand and Beach holiday resort in Europe based on the readers of the Travel Trade News

vincia received the title, Chronicler of Lanzarote from the Cabildo Island Government.

Dollar Bay - County Wexford - Trinity College Archives

A famous Scottish seaman and historian, George Glas, wrote a landmark history of the ancient inhabitants of Lanzarote and Fuerteventura which was published in 1764, and is still used by scholars today. Glas was returning to England with his wife and daughter in his boat the Earl of Sandwich, when four members of the crew mutinied and killed Glas and his family off the coast of Wexford as they suspected he was carrying a large amount of the fortune he had amassed whilst trading in the Canary Islands. Among the treasures were



hundreds of gold doubloons many of which were found by fishermen over the next few years. The mutineers were captured and hanged in Dublin. A nearby cove was named Dollar Bay because of the incident.

The Hook Peninsula Tourist Authority used to hold an annual dive at Dollar Bay at which divers were invited to try their luck in a search for the hidden gold coins. An original copy of George Glas's book is preserved in the library of Trinity College, Dublin.

Author: Larry Yaskiel

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Lanzarote News Roundup

Reports from the Canarian Government

Economic Recovery - GDP Growth by 10% in 2022



Canarian President Ángel Victor Torres

Canarian President Ángel Victor Torres attributes the leadership of the Canary Islands in the economic recovery and the historical employment data to unity and consensus. GDP grew by 10% in 2022, double the national average with the same increase forecast for 2023. The tourism sector recovered 96% of the pre-pandemic total of visitors with more spending per head.



Fitur International Tourism Fair 2023 in Madrid Breaks All Records

An edition that exceeded all expectations, highlighting the good prospects for world tourism activity



Regional and insular authorities greet the Canarian Government President at the Lanzarote Stand

The excellent figures confirm the growth path of tourism worldwide, and the leadership and global reach of FITUR, which has registered significant growth in all its parameters, practically equalling its all-time record figures: more than 222,000 attendees, almost double the number in 2022 -136,000 professionals, 68% more, which practically triples last year's attendance. In addition, the FITUR LIVE Connect digital platform recorded more than 56,000 registrations, representing an increase of over 80% compared to 2022. The fair brought together 8,500 participants, 131 countries, 755 exhibitors, and occupied over 66,900 m2 of exhibition space.



Increased Connectivity 122 Destinations - 2000 Weekly Flights

Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla met at Fitur with the main airlines and tour operators to agree on promotional and co-marketing initiatives leading to allowing maximum occupation on flights aimed at reducing the carbon imprint.



**Canarian Government Tourism
Councillor Yaiza Castilla**

This summer the Canary Islands will consolidate the boom in air connectivity that it experienced last year and in the summer season it will be connected with 122 destinations belonging to 28 different markets and with 1,929 weekly frequencies in a typical week, 196 more than in the pre-pandemic year.

From April to October, the islands will be connected to 122 cities, one more than in 2019, although the destinations vary because some disappear as a result of the war in Ukraine, which affects not only this country, but also places close to the conflict such as cities in Poland, Russia and some in Germany, while other destinations are incorporated, such as French, Italian, Spanish and some German cities.

Castilla explained that Turismo de Canarias "has made great progress in diversifying markets, not only with an increase in connections from Italy and France, but also with the incorporation of Iceland, Slovakia and the United Sta-

tes compared to the pre-pandemic year."

The Canary Islands Tourism delegation met in the framework of Fitur with the representatives of Iberia Express, Booking, Lufthansa, eDreams, Air Europa, TUI, easyJet, Ryanair, Eurowings, Jet2, Vueling or Expedia, among others.

In all these meetings, sustainability and the reduction of CO2 emissions were addressed as a primary topic. At each fair we concentrate on the calculation of the carbon footprint of each airline that operates with the Canary Islands and notice progress as the renewal of the fleet with more efficient aircraft has become a priority allowing The Canary Islands attended Fitur with an unstoppable increase in the demand for trips to the Islands despite economic circumstances

According to Canary Government Councillor for Tourism, Yaiza Castilla "The desire to travel is above any determining factor and which we will continue to promote through

targeted activities towards tourists who guarantee a longer stay and spending at the destination, as well as less dependence on connectivity," she was accompanied by the managing director of Tourism of the Canary Islands, José Juan Lorenzo.

"However, despite all this, travel continues unstoppable and the outlook continues to be very positive for the islands, which are experiencing an increase in regular air capacity available both for the spring and summer," Castilla assured.

Compared to the last pre-pandemic year, the Canary Islands had 9 million seats on offer last winter, 25.2% more than in 2019, while for this summer season air capacity increases, by 12.4% more, with 11.2 million scheduled places compared to 9.9 million in the summer of 2019.

A fact that the counselor defined, however, as very positive taking account that last year closed with the consolidated recovery of tourism on the islands, which received 96% of visitors in 2019, some 14.6 million in total.

59% Reduction in Carbon Footprint Stand at Fitur

Regarding the sustainability of the Canary Islands stand at Fitur, the Managing Director of Tourism of the Canary Islands, José Juan Lorenzo, explained that the carbon footprint caused by its assembly, use and disassembly has been reduced by up to 59%, which has gone from 18, 75 tons of CO2 last year to 7.72 tons this year. "This considerable decrease is due to the fact that we moved one and a half fewer trailers to Madrid thanks to the fact that the material is more modular, stackable and less bulky. In addition, the operators in charge of its assembly are eight less than last year, so we also reduce personnel travel and lodging, in addition to directly contracting services such as fastening and anchoring and cleaning the elements locally", Lorenzo added.

Ryanair continues to be, by far, the leading airline in the Canary Islands, with 4.5 million seats per year. Currently, they have their most extensive schedule since their arrival in the islands and they will reopen the bases in Lanzarote and Tenerife Sur starting in the summer, with 4 planes and 6 new routes. In terms of sustainability, this company is one of the most efficient in Europe and also in traffic to the Canary Islands, with a fleet that is constantly being renewed and with the constant objective of reducing consumption and, therefore, emissions to continue lowering costs.

The British airline **easyJet**, which has the tour operator easyJet Holidays, operates from 6 European countries to the Canary Islands with a total of 39 routes. Their commitment to the archipelago is growing, to the point that they increase their programming to the islands by 74% in summer compared to the pre-pandemic year. In addition, this company operates with one of the most efficient fleets in Europe thanks to its constant renewal and the continuous incorporation of lower consumption aircraft.



Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla and Managing Director Promotur José Juan Lorenzo had meetings with all leading airlines and tour operator

British **Jet2.com** through tour operator Jet2 Holidays, was received an award as the best in the United Kingdom. It is the leading airline in the islands from the British market, operating 40 routes with the Canary Islands, the result of combining the 10 airports where they have in bases in the United Kingdom with Lanzarote, Fuerteventura, Gran Canaria. They announced the completion of a large order for one of the most efficient aircraft on the market for fleet renewal in the coming years.

Lufthansa, flies to the Canary Islands from Frankfurt and Munich (Germany), routes that in the future will be operated exclusively by EW Discover, the group's new airline for holiday traffic. Lufthansa grew in the Canary Islands after the pandemic and is among the most efficient companies in terms of sustainability, as it has experienced a considerable reduction in emissions with the introduction of new aircraft since 2020.

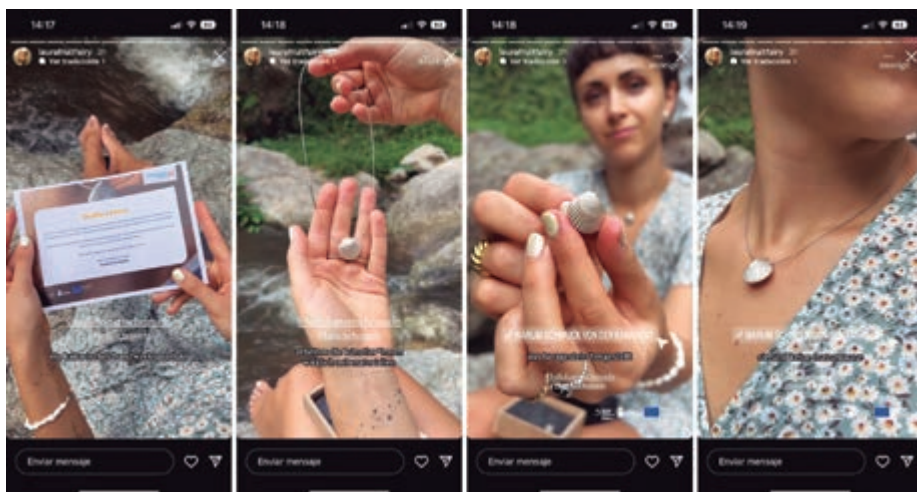
Air Europa, they have recently declared their intention to connect the Nordic Countries with Spain, given that they already carry out charter operations for other destinations and know the routes. And will resume flights from Barcelona to Tenerife and Lanzarote, after five years of absence.

TUI group, operates 5 airlines

82 covering routes from Lanzarote, Fuerteventura, Gran Canaria, Tenerife Sur and La Palma, to 7 countries achieving a drastic reduction in emissions through a substantial incorporation of more efficient aircraft.

As for the Spanish Vueling, it is the second operator in the Canary Islands, only behind Ryanair, with 2.3 million annual arrival seats. It operates to the islands mainly from the mainland market, although it also has international routes such as Amsterdam, Paris, Copenhagen and Billund (Denmark). It flies to La Palma from Barcelona and Bilbao and, in fact, they recover connectivity on the island. In terms of emissions, the fleet is constantly being renewed, with the incorporation of more efficient aircraft.

Finally, a meeting was held with the Hungarian low-cost airline Wizz Air, which enjoys a dominant position in Eastern Europe and is gaining more and more ground in Central European countries and the United Kingdom, with numerous new bases. They started flying in the Canary Islands a few years ago, mostly in Tenerife, with routes from Budapest thanks to incentives from the Flight Development Fund. It is a fundamental airline to connect the islands with Eastern Europe and open up new markets.



10 Major European 'Influencers'

Turismo de Canarias initiated a targeted campaign promoting the identity of the islands through 10 major European 'influencers' with 2.3 million followers in the UK, Spain and Germany to highlight Canarian products such as Ceramics, Cheese, Basketry or Gofio, among others

Councillor for Tourism, Industry and Commerce, Yaiza Castilla said "Our tourism strategy prioritizes offering a sustainable and unique experience to our visitors and this initiative positions the Canary Islands as a destination with its own personality, committed to sustainability and local artisan creations. We continue with our strategy of promoting the identity of the destination as a differentiation tool through artisan products and conscious consumption.

With this objective ten 'influencers' from the United Kingdom, Spain and Germany, received various products from the islands to recommend to their 2.3 million followers in a natural and non-intrusive manner.

The Councillor added, "we are seeking to capture the interest of new audiences interested in the culture, well-being and artisan products of the islands through Instagram, which is the main social network for this target audience objective is "to achieve an approach to the territory with the object-



ve of viewing Canarian culture from a closer and more personal perspective."

Artisan Products

Gofio, cheeses (DOP Palmero, DOP Majorero, DOP Flor de Guía), aloe vera, tuno indio, ceramics, volcanic jewelry, basketry or soaps are some of the artisan products that were received, enjoyed and disseminated. Being genuine, unique, traditional and quality items, they were able to add a Canarian touch to their recipes or their lifestyle.

In this way, we reaffirm the position of the Canary Islands as a destination with an authentic and differential personality, beyond the great beauty and variety of its beaches and natural landscapes, and its exceptional climate throughout the year", summarized the Councillor.

The 10 'influencers'

When choosing these content creators, Turismo de Canarias took into account their commitment to the environment and the interests they show in their profiles.

United Kingdom. Within the British market, **Kerry Walker (@kerrywalker_)** participated, with 24,000 followers, who is characterized by creating very careful, creative and visual content on her own profile and also on the one she has with her brand of candles.

Maddy Shaw (@madeleine_shaw_), with 264,000 followers, stands out for focusing on yoga in her posts, where she shows how to practice exercises, and also has posts related to nutrition and recipes.

Imogen Coles (@oneslowsunday), with 162,000 followers, is characterized by her content related to fashion, beauty, travel, healthy recipes and recommendations for pregnant women.

Spain. Participating within the Spanish market, **Azahara Luque (@curly.azahara)**, with 618,000 followers, who is a benchmark in the 'curly' world (curly hair) and a lover of surfing and the conscious consumption of products, in addition to carrying a healthy life and committed to the environment.

Verónica Sánchez (@oh.mamiblu), with 487,000 followers, shares family moments, recipes, trips or adventures on Instagram with her partner, always committed to the environment and a healthy lifestyle.

Itziar Aguilera (@itziaraguilera), with 236,000 followers, stands out for publishing carefully prepared content relating to art, her adventure trips, ecology and the 'slow life' philosophy, which seeks to get away from stress and haste and peacefully enjoy the people, places and experiences.

Paola Calasanz (@dulcineastudios), with 110,000 followers, a renowned art director who has collaborated on numerous occasions in the television program 'El Hormiguero' with psychosocial experiments. Its content is linked to animals and nature.

Germany. Within the German market, **Julia Friederike (@friederikefox)** was chosen, with 118,000 followers, who specializes on leading a healthy lifestyle, for her commitment to the environment and for being a lover of nature.

Laura Grosch (@laurafruitfairy), with 142,000 followers, publishes content related to nature and travel, always linked to a 'mindfulness' lifestyle, that is, a mental state based on consciousness and sharpened perception to live the present, and 'slow living'.

Annelina Waller (@annelinawaller), with 136,000 followers, stands out for focusing on the world of yoga and vegan and protein-rich recipes, and also for a healthy lifestyle.

Stage 1 of Zonzamas Archeological Ruins Opens

Work continued intermittently under the jurisdiction of 12 Cabildos for 52 years. Tribute was paid to Ines Dug Godoy for pioneering the first excavations at Zonzamas between 1971 and 1985

Photos Sergio Betancor, Jesús Betancort, Centros Turísticos, Liz



Cabildo President, María Dolores Corujo



Councillors and officials declaring Stage I open

History of Zonzamas

Zonzamas ruins is an important archaeological site north of the road between Tahiche and San Bartolomé and the most complete and best preserved Guanche ruins on Lanzarote and in the Canary Islands. Zonzamas was the grandfather of Guadafia last Guanche (pre-Hispanic) king of Lanzarote who probably ruled in the mid-fourteenth century. The ruins were part of a fortress sited on a plain protected by low hills from seaborne raiders. During early excavations the thick stone walls of several low dwellings were uncovered according to the Windrush Island Guide by John and Margaret Goulding, England 1969.

Chronology of Occupation

When excavations began in 1973, only the structure of the “Palacio de Zonzamas” was visible, the rest of the buildings were clogged with sediment and ashes from the 1730 Timanfaya eruptions. Construction began in the fifth century, being occupied until the eighth century, when



it was abandoned. In the 12th century there is a reoccupation, which builds on what had been covered by sediments. At least until the 18th century non-buried constructions were in use, and it is assumed that their definitive abandonment occurred during the 1730-1736 eruptions in the Fire Mountains which was the origin of what we now know as Timanfaya National Park now

Lanzarote’s most popular tourist attraction.

Current Works

The latest works over a period of 28 months cover an area of 1700 m2 with a budget of 2.7 million euros and is due to conclude in 2024. During construction, pre-arranged guided visits by small parties will continue.

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Cabildo Attends 67 Meetings at Fitur for Quality Tourism

Lanzarote Targets Quality Premium-Plus Tourism Cabildo President Maria Dolores Corujo is also Head of Lanzarote Tourism who met with all the airlines including Ryanair, Jet2



The Excellence of Lanzarote Cuisine on Display

Lanzarote was well represented by leading chefs and sommeliers from the island's top restaurants at Madrid Fusion, the most influential international gastronomy congress held at Ifema in Madrid during January. The motto of this year's edition vindicates the moment of diversity that contemporary cuisine is experiencing, which has never before been manifested in such an infinite and different way, without barriers and without following the same key or trend. Ifema, founded in 1980, is one of the five most important trade fair institutions in Europe and the leading such venue in Spain who organize more than 800 international fairs, conferences and leisure events each year.



'Consume Lanzarote' Campaign Underway "Buy Double and Pay Half"

In an effort to boost local commerce the Insular Cabildo and the Federation of Small-Medium- Sized Businesses (Felapyme) have launched a second campaign to encourage shoppers to increase the volume of their purchases by offering two for the price of one in participating establishments which are listed on the website seen below.

The scheme which only applies to local residents, runs from March 1 to May 31. Establishments have been able to join the program from January 31 and the details and procedures can be checked on the website. The cards work as wallets, which customers can save on their mobile devices. www.consumelanzarote.es



Managing Director of Jet2 Steve Heapy with Cabildo Tourism CEO Héctor Fernández, during the 20th anniversary celebration of the English airline's operations to Spain. The event was attended by leading executives from both countries. Jet 2 currently operate 114 routes to Spain from its British bases which is increasing by 4% this year.

“Go Islands Lanzarote” Invite the Top Wedding-Planning Agencies in Europe to Meet on the Island in March



Tourist Centres Councillor Benjamin Perdomo



Cabildo President Dolores Corujo and Tourist Centre CEO Benjamin Perdomo held a meeting at Fitur with photographer Pablo Beglez to organise a fam trip to Lanzarote from 19-23 March for leading wedding planning agencies to acquaint them with the scenery and tourist attractions as well as the excellent year round climate

The president of the Cabildo de Lanzarote, María Dolores Corujo, and the CEO of the Tourist Centers, Benjamín Perdomo, held a meeting in Madrid with the photographer specialized in weddings Pablo Beglez, with the aim of continuing to advance in the strategy designed to convert Lanzarote in a destination of reference for the celebration of weddings.

Among other issues, Corujo, Perdomo and Beglez outlined “Go Islands Lanzarote,” a familiarization visit (fam trip) that will bring the best wedding planning agencies (wedding planners) in Europe to the island between March 19 and 23. “It

A magnificent opportunity to publicize all the good things that the island has to those who are international leaders in a segment that generates wealth and job opportunities

is a magnificent opportunity to publicize all the good things the island has to offer international leaders in a tourism segment that generates wealth and job opportunities” said the Cabildo President.

Proximity to mainland Europe with excellent air connections excellent connectivity, diverse, artistic and cultural heritage, the local cuisine, services and leisure in a climate that allows a marriage to be held on 365 days of the year are solid arguments for a destination that puts everything within reach of the visitor.”

Along the same lines, Perdomo pointed out that “Go Islands Lanzarote” gives continuity to the work started in November with the celebration of “The Wolves” workshop acting as a showcase as a destination to those who set trends in the world of weddings”.



Biography of artist Pancho Lasso

CEO Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo has announced the publication of a biography of artist Pancho Lasso whose works are on permanent display at MIAC Art Gallery.

Pancho Lasso Morales (born Arrecife 1904 died Madrid 1973) was a sculptor who studied at the Arrecife School of Fine Arts and later moved to Madrid through the grant of a scholarship by the Lanzarote Cabildo. He became friends with the sculptor Alberto Sanchez whose influence caused his work to evolve from a neo-cubist style to a surrealist perspective rooted in popular culture.

He worked with a variety of materials, plaster, cement and particularly wood. During the Spanish Civil War 1936-1939 his style evolved towards realism. He abandoned his artistic activities until the 1960s when he began to work as a medal designer. He was politically active in Lanzarote, with strong left wing leanings.

His work spans a large range of styles, from a traditional academic at the start of his career to a politically-committed avant-garde perspective and has also been included in the most important avant-garde exhibitions. Pancho Lasso's creations deal with themes like community values, the world of work, nature and life: life and society, in short.

"The highly individual work of Pancho Lasso stands out. Listening to his own creative voice, he reveals the deep hallucinatory message of the Canaries which watched over his birth. He was never able to escape the pull of its landscape." From a report by Agustin de la Hoz in La Provincia newspaper 14 July, 1973.



Casa de Los Volcanes Upper Level Reopens with Free Visits for Lanzarote Residents for Six Months

Following a 4 million euro investment, visitors can enjoy the instrumentation used in the Lanzarote Geodynamics Laboratory, the Hall of Mirrors, projections on LED or touch screens, vinyl, interactive and audiovisual panels. Also the geological formation of the Corona volcanic

tube and learn about the transformation carried out at Jameos by César Manrique. "Planetary Analogues" displays the mission of the European Space Agency and the results of the practical exercises carried out on Lanzarote as a testing ground for space technologies.



Islote de Fermina Aquatic Sports and Leisure Centre Opens

Located on the seashore opposite Reducto Beach the exciting opening ceremony was highly enjoyable *pies de foto*. Among the leading authorities was CEO Cabildo Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo whose department will be managing the Islote de Fermina

Tias-Puerto del Carmen Receives SIT Intelligence System Award at Fitur

Mayor José Juan Cruz received the SIT Tourism Intelligence Plaque at Fitur and is seen with Spain's Tourism Minister Reyes Maroto among other officials

Photos Dory Hernández



Mayor José Juan Cruz

The SIT-System is technologically based on a big data platform in cloud mode, which studies, incorporates and analyses different sources of information and makes them available to the tourism sector. This allows Tias Tourism executives better informed decision-making on tourism management and promotion.

The system collects, organises and analyses different sources of information, creating dashboards and dynamic reports adapted to the user's needs, and making it possible for the information to be downloaded. The SIT facilitates access to dissemination of knowledge, helping to improve the strategic planning processes of the entire sector, including specific tourist destinations. Improving tourism measurement and monitoring capabilities facilitates better-informed strategic decision-making by the tourism department.



Madrid Fusión



Spain's Tourism Minister Reyes Maroto samples Lanzarote Cuisine at Madrid Fusión with Cabildo officials and the Mayor of Tias José Juan Cruz



Tias Mayor José Juan Cruz stressed the importance of such international culinary fairs for local restaurants and enological producers at Saborea Lanzarote under the slogan, Lanzarote, Fire and Water. He is seen with the Minister at the Tias stand



Mayor José Juan Cruz and Councillor for Employment and Kalinda Pérez, Tourism executives Domingo Lorenzo and Ani Ruiz, accompanied the team. Young timplist Adrián Reyes performed on vocals

PFAE Web Tías II Creates La Tiñosa Tourist Gymkhana QR Codes and Games Reveal Present and Past History

"We encourage our youngsters to become entrepreneurs and continue with this project, perhaps creating other alternative routes through the area" Mayor José Juan Cruz

Student workers of the Training Program in Alternation with Employment with their management and teachers (PFAE) La Web de Tías II, created twenty web pages for various entities including the volunteer fire-fighters and Municipal Police. A team of students and senior citizens collaborated on the project presented in images and sign language with the collaboration of the Tías Tourism Department.

Starting at El Varadero Tourist Information Office, the one

hour 1.5k digital gymkhana on foot, runs through the area via 12 points with QR codes allowing viewers to delve into the present and past history of La Tiñosa. The digital gymkhana route commences at El Varadero Tourist Information Office, opposite the church, activating the first code through the QR. PFAE La Web is financed, together with two other training plans in alternation with employment that developed in the municipality of Tías, by the Canary Islands Government.



"La vieja Tiñosa", designed by the students, guides players to places of interest



The Ayuntamiento of Tías was awarded the "Canarias Promotes Health" Distinction by the Canarian Government. Councillors for Health and Youth, Laura Calero and Christopher Notario, respectively, congratulated all health and social workers in the municipality on behalf of the Mayor and his Governing Council

Six new training-employment programmes for 120 sixteen- year olds is financed by a Canarian Government grant of 1.9 million euros



Tourism Councillor, Mame Fernández

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Reports from Yaiza

Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda and his Council have nominated the late Victor Fernández Gopar, El Salinero - as Hijo Predilecto Favourite Son - of the Municipality of Yaiza

Photos Alex Salebe



Mayor Óscar Noda was very satisfied that the man who had basically created Janubio received the highest honour from the municipality



Victor Hernández Gopar was employed at Janubio Salt Works and because of his expertise in the technique of extracting salt by evaporation was promoted to the post of foreman in 1885. In tandem with his work, Fernández Gopar became a poet and folk singer singing songs about social injustice, the hard labour and poverty endured by farmers on the land and workers at the salt works. His music and lyrics are of historical importance as they reflected the social inequality of the time and still form part of the repertoire of local folklore groups especially in Yaiza District. By public accord, the name of the theatre in the Island capital Arrecife, is named El Salinero for him.

Janubio, the most picturesque of all the salt works on the island, is visited by hundreds of thousands of tourists annually on their way to Charco de los Clicos Green Lagoon at El Golfo. Located on the seashore south-west of Yaiza and the Fire Mountains, Janubio is the name of the salt works and of the lake.



Refurbished New Port Inaugurated

The President of the Canary Islands inaugurates the expansion of the port of Playa Blanca and highlights the quality of the project which has become the first sustainable dock in the Canary Islands

The new facilities in Playa Blanca improve maritime safety by segregating ferry traffic from other vessels and include the first eco-sustainable passenger station in a port in the Canary Islands.



Unveiling of the plaque commemorating the latest installations for the final improvements in Playa Blanca Harbour by the President of the Canarian Government in the presence of the Cabildo President and Mayor Óscar Noda



Yaiza Concludes the Refurbishment of San Marcial del Rubicón Sports and Leisure with an investment of 483,000 euros

Óscar Noda announced that the project for the benefit and well-being of the local community is on the point of termination. He points out that “the project is a public sign of the financial health of the Municipality I have the honour of presiding over.”

He and his Deputy Mayor who is also Tourist Councillor Ángel Dominguez as well as his Sports Councillor, Ángel Lago manifested the healthy financial condition enjoyed by the Ayuntamiento of Yaiza, the municipality with a record of investing more in local facilities and amenities than any other on the Island.

San Marcial del Rubicón sports and leisure centre represents an investment of 483,000 euros on replacing an obsolete nonfunctional infrastructure with facilities of great benefit for the enjoyment of the public of all ages: a multi-



functional field for football and basketball, bleachers, calisthenics machines, a playground and bathrooms that promote healthy activities for residents and holidaymakers in the urban area Yaiza has already invested in accessible sidewalks, roads and utilities accessibility and a children's playground.



Tourist Councillor Ángel Dominguez



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Reports from San Bartolomé

Refurbishment of Casa Ajei San Bartolome



The Mayor of San Bartolomé Isidro Pérez was pleased at the renovation of the cultural centre Casa Ajei, which bears the original pre-Hispanic name of the town

Traditional Canarian Architecture

Casa Ajei is an 18th century building with well defined traditional Canarian architecture. It was popularly known as La Casa de Los Ferrer the surname of the owners. Later it was renamed Casa Ajei, seeking to recover the indigenous pre-Hispanic name of the town of San Bartolomé. Currently it is part of the Ayuntamiento of San Bartolomé.

History

The residence was built in 1720 as a large family home, with rooms for a winery which was purchased one hundred years later by Tomás Ferrer and Bárbara Ramírez. At the beginning of the 20th century, the residents of the town would assemble there for singing and dancing as well as to watch theatrical performances which raised funds to build the Porvenir de San Bartolomé Society.

Ajei Folklore Group

This house was the headquarters of the San Bartolomé Folklore Group named Ajei and directed by folklore musician and owner of the local mill José María Gil. The Ayuntamiento of San Bartolomé acquired the building in the middle of the 20th



century which they reformed and adapted for educational and cultural activities. For some years it was the headquarters of the San Bartolomé Secondary Education Institute.

Architectural Style

Casa Ajei is a perfect example of traditional Canarian architecture, with a large open central patio, which communicates with all the rooms in the house. The northern

wing has large rectangular shaped rooms with a gabled roof covered with tiles facing a wooden balcony from which a carved basalt stone staircase descends to the central patio. In the south wing the original ceiling of tea beams and oven stone has been well preserved as is the cistern used for storing rain water.

The Casa Ajei building is a declared Historic-Artistic Monument of the Canary Islands.

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Preserving the Heritage and Cleanliness of Playa Honda by Installing Environmental-Friendly Urban Street Design Ashtrays Along the Avenida

Mayor Isidro Pérez and the Council of San Bartolomé City Council, continues its policy of promoting conservation, sustainability and adaptation of the environment of the Avenida de Playa Honda by placing new ashtrays outside local restaurants are located

Aesthetic Line Preserved

The ashtrays maintain the aesthetic line promoted along the length of the Avenue, well suited to the image for this busy road that brings together so many users, the new ashtrays for urban street design serves to promote citizens commitment to cleanliness and heritage.

The Town Hall hopes that its installation will serve the responsible use of clients of the bars and restaurants located on the Avenue and also of the passers-by and walkers who use it daily.

Mayor Isidro Pérez, expressed his satisfaction at their location which maintains the idiosyncrasy of the avenue that has already become a point of reference on the island for the benefit of the neighborhood and for visitors who come to enjoy the variety of leisure options located there.

Councillor for the Environment and Public Services, Raúl de León, stated the new ashtrays “help preserve the aesthetic image of cleanliness which has always been a key policy commitment for this government body.”



Mayor Isidro Pérez with Environment Councillor Raúl de León



Mayor Isidro Pérez reiterates the policy of San Bartolomé to improve the conservation of the environment by investing 250,000 euros in employing additional personnel to ensure sustainability in the town's educational centres and public areas. Public Works Councillor Raúl de León added that five municipal workers and two additional vehicles ensure that the highest standards of cleanliness are maintained



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Reports from Teguisse



5 Decades of Upmarket Growth



Mayor Oswaldo Betancort

Hotel Mélia Salinas, the most luxurious hotel group in Spain and its first to open on Lanzarote. The unique swimming pool and grounds were designed by César Manrique. Los Molinos highly elegant Apartment Complex, another César Manrique creation. Costa Teguisse 18 hole, Par 72 golf club was one of the most exclusive in Spain with views of the Atlantic and a chain of volcanoes.



The Mayor and his entire Corporation saluted the efforts in a Gala Ceremony at the Convento Santo Domingo



The Mayor and his Council present the award to President of the CM Foundation Juan Ramírez on behalf of César Manrique who ensured that the resort would be elegant, exclusive and upmarket.

Mayor Betancort Strengthens Ties between Teguisse and San Antonio

Canarian Descendents Involvement in the \$500 Million Enlargement of the Alamo Historic Site in San Antonio Texas with Teguisse Connection

The Battle of the Alamo in 1836 was a pivotal event of the Texas Revolution in which American folk heroes James Bowie and Davy Crockett died and the site became an historic museum which is currently being expanded with a budget of 500 million dollars.

President of the Canary Island Descendents Freddie Bustillo and Honorary Consul of Spain in San Antonio Steve Chiscano, who recently visited Lanzarote, are actively involved in ensuring that tribute is paid to the role of the first settlers from the Canary Islands who founded the city. They have met with the Daughters of the American Revolution, of major historic significance.



The Mayor with Freddie Bustillo



Honorary Spanish Consul Steve Chiscano with Pamela Wright President of the Daughters of the American Revolution

Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Costa Tegui



Mayor Oswaldo Betancort and Members of the Council present Gala Awards to all individuals and entities who collaborated in the creation Lanzarote's first Upmarket Tourist Resort guided by Artistic Director César Manrique. The awards also embraced the cultural and historical roots of the area as represented by Francisco Hernández Delgado, the Town Historian as well as to the Proprietors and Directors of other high class hotels and tourist services.

The Mayor thanks the award winners for their efforts



Members of Tegui Council acknowledge their collaboration



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Reports from Haría

Haría – Home of Rural Tourism on Lanzarote



Mayoress of Haría, Evelia Garcia, announced that roadpaving is underway for several of Haría's most important roads, San Juan, Faja, Piletas, and Vistas del Valle which offers beautiful views of the Valley of 10,000 Palms



Natural Relaxing Scenery

Haría's countryside is a natural home of rural tourism where visitors can enjoy a large variety of relaxing scenery from the salt marsh to the crag, from the idyllic cove to the rugged coast. From the walking trails high on the hills to the beautiful sands of Arrieta beach. Creative, cultural and sport tourism prevails, while the rest of the island was embracing development at breakneck speed Haría remained calm and focused on quality rather than quantity, the main aim being conservation of the environment.



Presentation by Cabildo President Maria Dolores Corujo and Haría Mayoress Evelia Garcia at Jameos del Agua of the book "César Manrique y Haría. El artista y la belleza del lugar" by Francisco Galante, Lecturer in the History of Art at La Laguna University.



The Ayuntamiento of Haría invites holidaymakers to visit the Municipal Arts and Crafts Fair with unique hand made products in the typical local style of Haría on display which make excellent souvenirs to take back home as authentic Made in Lanzarote presents.

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Reports from Haría



Haría becomes the headquarters for the exploration of lunar lava tubes of the 'CoRob-X' project

Haría was converted into the headquarters of the 'CoRob-X' Lunar Lava Tube exploration project early in February. Through state-of-the-art technology 'rovers', Haría hosted the presentation of a four-phase simulation of a lunar exploration mission with the participation of representatives from six countries.

Mayoress Evelia García said, "Our municipality and the Island have such a unique environment that the world of science has chosen us as the venue for their demonstrations. Our enclaves are so unique that the lunar surface can be simulated to perfection."

Evelia García received the assurance that the three rovers do not contain dangerous substances and are made of highly durable metals, plastics and electronic components and do not release harmful residues, harmful to the local environment.

During the phases of the project developed in the municipality the three robots inspected the soil and built a map of the area around the Jameo. One deployed a device with computational payload and



The underground laboratory at Cueva de los Verdes for geodetic monitoring of volcanic tremors, one of several such monitors which transmit their results to Madrid for assessment

the other robots tracked it down and analyzed its flight path. During the flight, the device collects data with its sensors to create a detailed 3D model of the cave and, when finished, connects back to the communications cable and transmits the data to another of the robots.



Mayoress Evelia García and Councillors José Torres Stinga and Fernando Fontes watch the start of work moving SIVE to a more suitable location

Another major project underway for the benefit of the local population is moving the installation of SIVE, the external vigilance surveillance system of the Civil Guard, to another site where it does not obstruct the views of the countryside



The Casa del Cura is to be converted into El Centro de Artesanía de Lanzarote (Lanzarote Centre of Arts & Crafts), for which Mayoress Evelia García thanked Cabildo President Dolores Corujo in the presence of Councillors José Torres Stinga and Fernando Fontes



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Reports from Arrecife

Plans for Unique Sports and Leisure Theme Park Project

Unique Arrecife Sports and Leisure Theme Park Pump Track - Calisthenics – Skatepark - Children´s Playground



Arrecife Mayoress Astrid Pérez

A Pump Track is a circuit of rollers, banked turns and features designed to be ridden by riders generating momentum by up and down body movements, instead of pedaling or pushing.



Mayoress of Arrecife Astrid Pérez and Councillor Eli Merino at the presentation



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The Mayoress and Festivities Councillor are seen with prize-winning Parranda de los Buches folklore group

Mayoress Astrid Pérez Delighted with the Spectacular Arrecife Carnival



Mayoress Astrid Pérez at the inauguration of the Islote de Fermina Aquatic and Leisure Centre on the island capital's seashore facing Reducto Beach. Suitably named for an enterprising Arrecife businesswoman and originally designed by César Manrique Fermina is now open to the public with free entry to both residents and holidaymakers



Arrecife en Vivo Concerts Finalist for Iberian Festival Awards 2023

Mayoress Astrid Perez was delighted to announce that the highly popular "Arrecife en Vivo" street music festival is a finalist in the 2023 Iberian Festival Award as the best in Spain and Portugal. Thousands of British holidaymakers have enjoyed the various events with hundreds joining in the chorus of Nellie the Elephant performed by the Toy Dolls.



Mayoress Perez has committed €471,000 for the modernisation and accessibility of Playa de la Arena promenade



The Mayoress inaugurates the new headquarters building of the Municipal Police Force in the former offices of the court, abandoned over 17 years ago



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Five-Star Hotel Fariones Hosts International Launch of the Latest AUDI Q8 E Luxury Electric SUV Super Model

CEO Grupo Rosa Javier Suárez announced “This is a unique occasion for Hotel Fariones, Hotel Princesa Yaiza and Bodega Stratus PYH and the island of Lanzarote. Over 150 international journalists from 25 countries witnessed this 40 day high class event which Tias Mayor José Juan Cruz described as priceless promotion for his municipality.

Hotel Fariones Manager Íñigo Martínez pointed out the superb reputation of the hotel group and its ancillary services that a brand such as Audi had chosen our establishments as a symbol of the highest luxury.



Proprietor Juan Francisco Rosa with the Mayor and Tourism Executive of Tias Municipality. The Fariones was recently included by TUI among the 20 best hotels in Spain



The Rotary Club of Lanzarote celebrated their 30th Anniversary dinner at the Castillo de San José together with the annual Conejero del Año award presided over by Ana Oncina, Executive Secretary





The Ayuntamiento of Tías and the Tourist Federation give their support to the III Modernization Plan of Puerto del Carmen

José Juan Cruz and Susana Pérez agreed that this document, which includes an investment of 299 million euros, is key to improving the competitiveness of the tourist area. The III Modernization Plan of Puerto del Carmen is expected to be sent to the Government of the Canary Islands shortly

The Mayor of Tías, José Juan Cruz, and the president of the Tourist Federation, Susana Pérez, agreed that the III Modernization Plan is “key” to improving the competitiveness of the tourist area. The mayor confirmed that his government group plans to take the document to a plenary session soon to send it to the Government of the Canary Islands

“not only because of the large investment planned in the renovation of hotels and apartments, which is a private investment, but also in the public investment planned, such as the implementation of a health center or the creation of an international diving station in the area of Playa Chica”.

Susana Pérez pointed out that from the FTL “tourism entrepreneurs want the Plan to go ahead as soon as possible, given its importance and the relevance of the large investment, which exceeds the 299 million euros planned for the modernization and improvement of the competitiveness of the Port from Carmen”.

The III Plan for the Modernization, Improvement and Increase of Puerto del Carmen Competitiveness includes a total of 45 actions. Of these, 16 actions aimed at renova-

ting tourist accommodation stand out, 7 actions to renew complementary equipment in the tourist area, 7 renovation actions for specialization towards tourist use, 6 actions contemplated in the second Modernization Plan, 3 changes of arrangement, 3 action units, 2 new buildings and 1 action on rural land.

During the meeting, the copious investment carried out during this mandate in the tourist area of Puerto del Carmen was also detailed, whose general works in the municipality can be consulted on the website of the City Council www.ayuntamientodetias.es

In addition, emphasis was placed on the relevance of environmental, social and economic sustainability in the outstanding projects of the government group. The Plan for Sustainable Tourism in Destinations, the Canary Green project, the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan, the Action Plan for Climate and Sustainable Energy, the Revitalization of gastronomic cultural heritage, the ZEConsciente environmental awareness workshops, the implementation at Playa Chica at kilometer 0 of the Coral Negro forests and the campaign “iTías Look After Me Cuídamme!”



The Mayor of Tías, José Juan Cruz



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Canary Government Official School of Languages, Arrecife, Celebrate Culture Week on Lanzarote

Review by Nacho Villalta, Headmaster

The Official School of Languages, Arrecife, celebrated the XVI annual Cultural Week, “Other Voices Other Languages” during which Larry Yaskiel, Editor of Lancelot, English Edition spoke about the historical connection between the Canaries and the UK and with San Antonio, Texas. The subjects included the export to the UK of Canarian fruit and vegetables especially bananas, tomatoes and onions as well as dyes, chiefly cochineal and barilla. Englishwoman Olivia Stone was the first author in any language to recommend the Canary Islands for holidays in her book published in 1887. At the instigation of the Ayuntamiento of Tegui, Yaskiel researched the founding of San Antonio, Texas by Canary Islanders in 1730, seeking to find descendants from Lanzarote and inviting them to visit the island as guests of the Town Hall. Larry was very much helped to recall several details by his beloved wife Liz, co-editor.

The speaker said that he owed his knowledge of Lanzarote culture to his colleagues at Spanish Lancelot who introduced him to historians Agustin Pallarés, Francisco



Headmaster and host Nacho Vilalta with Erica Rendall, as-sistant head; English teachers Omaya Abreut and Francisco Hernández

Hernández Delgado, Leandro Perdomo, Agustin de la Hoz and the great artist César Manrique.

The audience thanked Larry for making the effort to speak clearly enough to allow them to understand every word of his talk

The IOS Language School, Arrecife, which offers instruction in five languages including Spanish, is an integral part of the Education Department of the Government of the Canary Islands.



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Lanzarote Hotels Association Celebrates 30th Anniversary



ASOLAN, the Lanzarote Association of Hotels under President Susana Pérez Celebrate their 30th Anniversary together with many past and present members of the Board of Management and Hotel Directors

Lanzarote's Hotel Association ASOLAN under the Presidency of Susana Pérez celebrates 30 years at the forefront of the islands hotels, major apartments and allied key tourist services such as land and aquatic and land sports, principally golf, tennis, high seas game fishing and wind and body surfing. ASOLAN also pioneered the concept of Biosphere Reserves for tourist resorts practicing conservation of the environment and sustainability which was later adopted by UNESCO for a network of internationally designated protected areas, which demonstrate a balanced relationship between people and nature, created under the Man and the Biosphere Programme.



Former directors of the Board of Asolan join the President and her staff as well as other authorities



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CICAR, Canary Islands Car received the “Friendly Tourism and Citizen Coexistence” 2022 Award at the Fitur Tourism Trade Fair in Madrid

Reacting to the announcement, Mamerto Medina, Managing Director and Chairman of the Board said that following the covid crisis the market has bounced back this year. What is particularly noticeable is the sharp increase in rural tourism has led to an important rise in clientele as this category of visitor cannot go anywhere without a car. They also benefit greatly from the multilingual Audioguide installed in all our vehicles with comprehensive information about every aspect of the resort they are visiting. An important additional feature is that it can be downloaded from our website into their mobiles. With this facility our customers have everything they need at their fingertips, like having a personal tourist guide in every vehicle.

Based on reservations for the summer Mamerto Medina believes there will be a healthy rise in tourism on all the islands.

ROPER GROCERIES

Barbecue Selection for Easter with Free Charcoal
1 – 31 March - Up to 30% Discount on Over 500 Items



Roper Director Lanzarote Carlos Lozano Suárez suggests BBQ assortment to serve from 5 to 30 guests, free top quality charcoal bonus: juicy centre of pork chop under €5 per person; sliced roasted yearling; pork belly; spicy chorizo; white sausages,

spend €26:95 for free gift of 3 kilo charcoal: Fresh Certified Yellow Chicken or 1 kilo breast or 1 kilo whole thigh: free bonus 6 eggs. Check out other free gifts for meat and chicken purchases. In addition excellent selection of fruit, vegetables, wines and other drinks.



Lanzarote Management Channel,
100% online – Canal Gestión Lanzarote

Fifteen new procedures and procedures are incorporated into the Virtual Office, thus completing the list of services for clients of the water company.

The bizum is incorporated as another payment method to pay invoices, outstanding balances or replacements.

From now on, all procedures can be processed online, without making an appointment and from wherever and whenever you want, without the need to travel to commercial offices.

Indelasa Introduce Gold Medal Lumi-Sol Paving Stone

Indelasa Building Materials is the largest and most comprehensive construction materials company in Lanzarote, serving the needs of professionals and individuals for more than 35 years. Among their very latest products is the LUMI-SOL paving stone, the first-ever autonomous luminous glass paving stone!

Powered by a solar battery, so without any electrical connection, it recharges automatically during the day and lights up at night. Original, easy to install, easy to walk on and maintenance-free, Lumi Stone was awarded the innovation Gold Medal at the Batimat Architectural Trade show in Paris, one of the industry's most important annual fairs. INDELASA has a complete hardware store specialized in construction, and the largest warehouse on the island, which together with its own transport service, allows them to guarantee the minimum delivery time. Their premises are easily accessed just off the airport road in Puerto del Carmen.



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Open Mall Shopping Centre which has been open for almost a half a year, has proved a great success. Occupying an area of 32,000 square metres retail space the two-storey shopping centre standing on two floors, will contain 92 shops, cafés, takeaways and restaurants and an underground car park for 952 vehicles. Primark is among the better known commercial premises to open, as well as Zara, who closed their Arrecife outlet in 2020.



(L-R) Dr Dariusz Chmielewski our honorary adviser on health, his wife Kasia, Geoff Woodmansey, for swift solutions to our SOS computer calls and his mother Kristina congratulate Larry on receiving the BEM



Princesa Yaiza Suite Hotel Resort was adjudged the winner of IV Annual Nativity Crib Design Contest by Asolan Lanzarote Hotels Association and the Canarian Order of Ca-chorro for the creative use of traditional Lanzarote architecture and materials. The hotel was also included by TUI and Trip Adviser in their latest list of the Best Hotels.

President of Asolan Suzana Pérez and hotel manager Luis Fogar; Marcial Morales and Domingo Concepción. The 500 euro 1st prize was donated by the hotel to NGO Flora Acoje



Mother's Day

Ibabe Cabrera of Viviero Las Palmeras Garden Centre in Arrecife would like to remind our readers that Mother's Day is on 7 May and there is a long-standing custom in Spain to present 'Mama' with the colourful Hortensia shrub, known in English as Hydrangea, which has a large range of varieties and colours. Their main flower clusters are from the tips of shoots formed from the previous season.



Maria Brandt, compiler of Bridge problem in Lancelot for over 30 years, celebrating her 101st birthday surrounded by family back home in her native Denmark. Happy Birthday Maria from Lancelot and all your friends on Lanzarote many more years of Bridging the gap



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The Lanzarote Education, Heritage and Sustainability Conference 17th and 18th March
Conference Hall Casa Monumento al Campesino

Collaborating: Gobierno Canario Ministry of Education and Vocational Training, Lanzarote Cabildo and Ayuntamientos

In the year 2005, the Milana Association founded by Sebastiana Perera began its Atlántida Project of pioneering work in the cultivation of cochineal for the purpose of dyeing. The process was observed with keen interest by local students well as from other islands with the support of various Ayuntamientos.

Sebastiana Perera is teaching future generations the secrets of cultivating and preparing orchilla dye.



Sebastiana Perera introduces the next generation to the art of cultivating Cochineal



Spar Lanzarote, 100% owned and managed by Lanzaroteans, continues its policy of the exclusive use of renewable energy in the hope that the island can continue on its path of sustainability on behalf of ourselves and of future generations. Strongly governed by the principle of conservation of the environment the company continues to introduce working practices respectful of our natural surroundings.

One example is that their logistic centre, covering an area of 18,000 m², has become a

point of reference for renewable energy as almost 70% of consumption is self-supplied by conversion from photovoltaic or geothermic sources; lighting in the supermarkets saves energy through the exclusive use of LED bulbs and the latest models in Door-in-Door fridge freezers to reduce the amount of cold air escaping. Also introduced, a significant reduction in plastics, sugar and salt in own-brand products. Many stores have free recharging points for electric cars.



Christian Worship

Church of England

All services are Holy Eucharist with hymns. 10 am Nazaret: Iglesia Nuestra Señora, 1st and 3rd Sunday in the month. 12.30 pm Puerto del Carmen: Nuestra Señora del Carmen (Old Town Harbour). 5.00 pm Playa Blanca: Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Main Street. For more information call 928 514 241.

Catholic Church

Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Puerto del Carmen harbour. Sunday Mass 11.00, 18.00; Saturday night, 20.00. San Ginés Church central Arrecife, Sunday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00; Saturday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00.

International Evangelical Church

Meets at La Hoya, Puerto del Carmen Sundays 11 am, service in English, call 928 173618 for more details. Arrecife services in Spanish, Sunday 10.30 am and 18.30 pm, call 928 812027 for more details. For informal meeting at Costa Tegui, call 928 590342.

Inter-denominational Sunday Worship at Costa Tegui

Services are held in English at the Hotel Beatriz Costa & Spa every Sunday morning at 11:00am. Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

For more information please contact Stuart 630 175 810 or via our website www.sundayworshiplanzarote.com

Norsk Kirkesentre and Social-Cultural Centre

Norwegian Church abroad – Religious and Social Cultural Centre C/ Rocio Puerto del Carmen close to Cinco Plazas. Open mid-September to mid-May: Tuesday-Friday 11.00-16.00, Saturday 11.00-15.00, Sunday Service 18:00. Office tel: 928 515 561 Pastor Knut Kaldestad: 616 407 693

There is no synagogue on Lanzarote. For information about Sabbath and Festival services on Las Palmas call 928 248 497.

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Puerto del Carmen Church



Markets

Arrecife Markets

Charco de San Ginés
Wed and Thur 9-2

Recova Town Market
Mon to Sat 9-2

Historic Old Town
Saturday 9-2

Puerto Calero

Friday 9-2

Puerto del Carmen

Plaza del Varadero
Friday 10-3

Playa Blanca

Marina Rubicón
Wed & Sat to 10-2

Tegui Market

Sundays and
Public Holidays 9-2

Costa Tegui

Pueblo Marinero
Thursday mornings 9-2

Tinajo, Mancha Blanca

Sunday 9-2

Haría Artesanal Market

Saturday 10-14:30

Postage and Post Office

Letters and postcards within Europe 1.50 euro, USA 1.90 euro. Puerto del Carmen post office is open Monday-Friday 08.30 - 14.30 hrs, Saturday closed. Arrecife post office: Monday-Friday 08.30 - 20.30 hrs, Saturday closed. Opening times are for stamps and registered letters etc. but both offices close earlier for money transfer.

BRIDGE No 147

By Maria Brandt

*When you see the danger of a possible ruff,
the instinctive reaction is to play trumps.*

But is this always advisable?

Dealer North North South vulnerable

♠ 9 4		♠ K Q J 10 8 3
♠ A 10 8 5		♥ 6
♦ A K		♦ Q 9 6
♣ A K Q 10 3		♣ 8 7 4
♠ A 7 5		♠ 6 2
♥ K 3 2		♥ Q J 9 7 4
♦ 10 8 7 5 4 2		♦ J 3
♣ J		♣ 9 6 5 2

Bidding

N	E	S	W
1 C	2 S	pass	3 S
dble	pass	4 H	pass
pass	pass		



West led the Ace of Spades and, ignoring his partner's signal to continue the colour, switched to the Jack of Clubs. This was obviously a singleton and most players would have hastily drawn trumps - in this case, the Ace and another Heart.

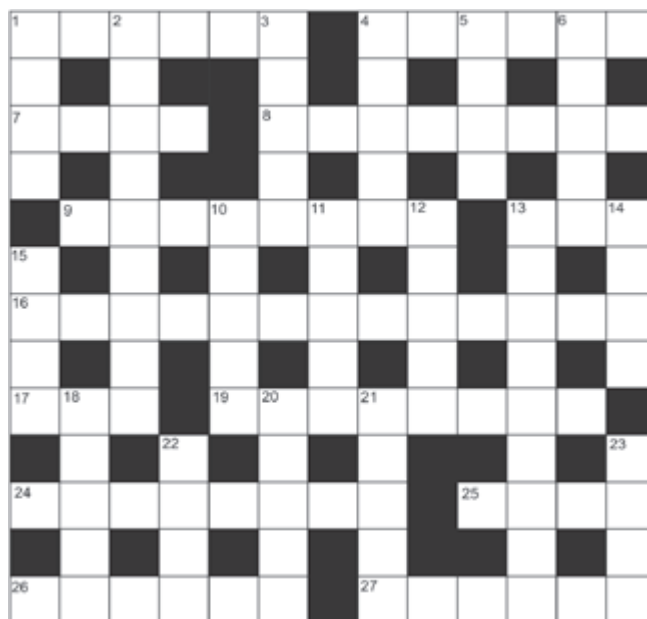
South, who was a little more far-sighted, realised that this could hardly be to his advantage. He figured West could have at the most four Spades, was marked with a singleton Club and was almost sure to hold three or four trumps. West could put his partner in with a Spade and ruff the Club return. Nor would it help to exit with a Spade now as the third trick for East would give his partner the ruff and West would exit with a Diamond, making the King of Hearts later.

No, South found the right solution when he cashed two Diamonds BEFORE exiting with a Spade. So, West ruffed the next Club but could not prevent South from gaining entry to his own hand and take the Heart finesse.

SOLUTION TO GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD NO.86. Across; 1 Nijinsky, 5 Amazon, 10 Infer, 11 Abducting, 12 Skedaddle, 13 Inert, 14 Oastler, 16 Tallow, 19 Onager, 21 Tenable, 23 Roans, 25 Mauritius, 27 Hit parade, 28 Idaho, 29 Mahler, 30 Escalope. Down; 1 Nainsook, 2 Jefferson, 3 Norma, 4 Khaddar, 6 Macmillan, 7 Zaire, 8 Negate, 9 Advent, 15 Legislate, 17 Obbligato, 18 Keystone, 20 Rameau, 21 Toupees, 22 Arnhem, 24 Aitch, 26 Ibiza.

SIMPLE CROSSWORD No 147

By Imelda Coombes



ACROSS

- 1 A fence. (6)
- 4 Madhouse. (6)
- 7 Dress. (4)
- 8 A thin slice of meat. (8)
- 9 Improving. (8)
- 13 A deed. (3)
- 16 A state of SE Australia. (3,5,5)
- 17 Male term of address. (3)
- 19 Guaranteeing. (8)
- 24 Enormous. (8)
- 25 A small case. (4)
- 26 A bone in the wrist. (6)
- 27 Merited. (6)

DOWN

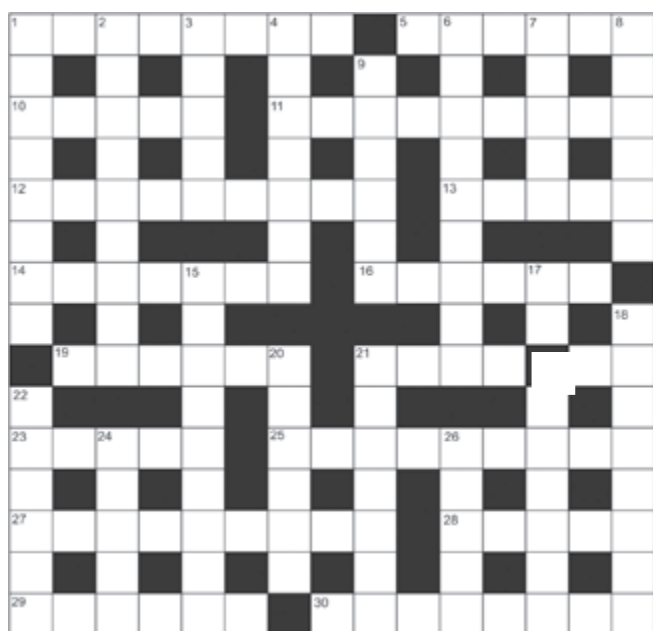
- 1 Leaf. (4)
- 2 Machine for cutting grass. (4,5)
- 3 Avarice. (5)
- 4 Rasher. (5)
- 5 Boring. (4)
- 6 Savoury jelly. (5)
- 10 Snare. (5)
- 11 A sudden attack or stroke. (5)
- 12 David -- , English cricket commentator. (5)
- 13 American National Cemetery. (9)
- 14 Exam. (4)
- 15 Finishes. (4)
- 18 Balearic Island. (5)
- 20 South African Province. (5)
- 21 Relation. (5)
- 22 Moist. (4)
- 23 Temperate. (4)

SOLUTION TO SIMPLE CROSSWORD NO. 146.

Across; 1 Chalet, 4 Abroad, 7 Rota, 8 Antelope, 9 Audience, 13 Ace, 16 Made to Measure, 17 Tod, 19 Reddened, 24 Distract, 25 Bend, 26 Entrée, 27 Doctor. Down; 1 Cork, 2 Astound, 3 Trade, 4 Attic, 5 Rill, 6 Aspic, 10 Inter, 11 Nomad, 12 Erase, 13 Amusement, 14 Even, 15 Emit, 18 Onion, 20 Evade, 21 Dated, 22 Stir, 23 Oder.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD No 87

By Imelda Coombes



ACROSS

- 1 It is also called the wood hyacinth. (8)
- 5 A person who is hard working and determined. (6)
- 10 White of an egg, especially when used as a size or adhesive. (5)
- 11 Aware or informed. (2,3,4)
- 12 Initiated, prepared or opened up. (9)
- 13 Spaghetti for example. (5)
- 14 A soft silvery element of the metal series. Atomic no.3. (7)
- 16 Smiles, expressing scorn rather than pleasure. (6)
- 19 A port in S Ukraine on the black sea. (6)
- 21 Herni -- , 1869-1954, French painter and sculptor. (7)
- 23 Lubricated. (5)
- 25 A plucked musical instrument with three strings. (9)
- 27 English dramatist and poet 1572-1637. Author of The Alchemist.(3,6)
- 28 A German 9mm calibre automatic pistol. (5)
- 29 - fly. Any of the various bloodsucking African dipterous flies. (6)
- 30 The anterior portion of the brain. (8)

DOWN

- 1 Informal name for New York City. (3,5)
- 2 Of a road etc, not maintained by a local authority. (9)
- 3 Sir Edward -- Jones, 1833-88, English Pre-Raphaelite painter. (5)
- 4 A county of Ireland in Connacht province. (7)
- 6 One of several short lengths of line stitched through a sail. (4,5)
- 7 Inigo --, 1573-1652, English architect and theatrical designer. (5)
- 8 Barnett -- , 1905-70, An American painter and founder of Abstract Expressionism. (6)
- 9 Short musical compositions for solo instruments. (6)
- 15 Stealthy, cunning or treacherous. (9)
- 17 Henry -- , American Secretary of State 1973-76. (9)
- 18 A star-shaped figure. (8)
- 20 Female superior of a convent. (6)
- 21 A varied mixture of things. (7)
- 22 A water ice made from fruit juice, egg whites and milk. (6)
- 24 A long weapon with a pointed head. (5)
- 26 An industrial city in Northern France. (5)

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Ombudsman - *Diputado del Común*

For complaints about a utility or public authority: Rambla Medular, 99, Arrecife. Arrecife, 8-2 Mon to Fri, Tel: 928 812 407 The service is free and confidential.

Cabildo Consumer Protection Office

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Call 638 484 113 or visit www.aalanzarote.com
Costa Tegui Barcelo Hotel Mon and Wed 18.00-19.00. Tel: 928 511 846 or 928 173 525

Visiting Rotarians Welcome - Lanzarote Rotary Club - Arrecife

Weekly meeting Friday 14.30 at Lancelot Hotel Arrecife Visiting Rotarians welcome. Information: Tel.: 928 80 50 99.

English-Working Lodge

(Emulation) in the Spanish Constitution (recognised by U.G.L.) will welcome visitors October-April. Information: Tel: 928 83 34 90

Local Bridge Club

From September to June, two Bridge Clubs on Lanzarote hold weekly meetings in Arrecife to which visitors are welcome: Tuesdays 18.30 at the Arrecife Gran Hotel and Wednesdays at 19.00 at the Casino Club Náutico, Arrecife. Both are located on the promenade. www.bridgelanzarote.com



VII Annual Classical Concerts of Arrecife Cycle

Arrecife Civic Center Sala Grande
Tickets and info at EcoEntradas



by Roberto Fuentes, Orchestra Founder and Conductor

The Lanzarote Classical Orchestra has organized the VII Annual Arrecife Classical Concert Series under the sponsorship of the Department of Culture Arrecife Town Hall and the Lanzarote Cabildo.

Among international musicians, violinist and conductor Alex Da Costa, from Canada, who has recorded numerous albums. Pianist Konstantin Soukhovetski from America whose performances have received excellent reviews in the New York Times. Tenor Karim Sulayman of Lebanese origin was awarded a Grammy in 2019 and pianist Josu Okiñena frequently performs with the Lanzarote Classical Orchestra and combines his teaching with research and publication of studies and the recording of albums, especially by Basque composers. Performing at the same high level, despite his youth, Lanzarote violinist Pablo Araya accompanied by pianist Melba Artiles. Finally, the OCL quintet with professional musicians from the Canary Islands offer an attractive series under the generic title MUSIC, WOMEN AND ART, with the participation of well known female musicians associated with art and creation.

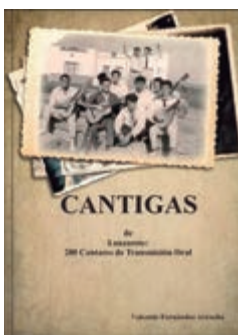
“Cantigas de Lanzarote” – by Valentin Fernández Arrocha



***Congratulated by Yaiza
Mayor Óscar Noda and his
Council***



The founder and component of Los Amigos de Portonao, Valentín Fernández Arrocha, has published a book entitled “Cantigas de Lanzarote” containing two hundred unpublished song treasures he verbally collected from their authors together with their personal comments, which demonstrate the true depth of the rich wealth of the Lanzarote songbook.



Fernández Arrocha has spent forty-seven years (since 1975) collecting material and information regarding the popular and traditional songbook of oral transmission of Lanzarote. “It is time to make public these songs for the conservation and general dissemination of the cultural and ethnographic heritage of the people of Lanzarote and the Canary Islands,” says the writer. “A record of cultural memory for children, youth, students, adults, veterans and the general public of the musical heritage of our birthplace the homeland of our mothers, fathers, and ancestors who made up the idiosyncrasies of our Island.”



***Author Mar Couce, our
colleague from Lancelot
Digital has published her
latest work, “The Man who
Liked Apples.” which she
describes as enigmatic tales
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