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This schedule for Santa Tecla endeavours to present this great festival to all the visitors and tourists of the city. The schedule does **NOT** contain information on all the events taking place in the Santa Tecla Festival. This year, due to COVID-19, we have had to adapt the festival to comply with new regulations. There will be no street events with unrestricted access and all activities are subject to prior booking. We hope to celebrate next year's festivities in all their glory.

### Tuesday 15 September

18:00, Espai Turisme, c. Major, 37. **Opening of the photography exhibition entitled '3D Màgic Modernisme in Tarragona'**. Monday to Saturday from 10:00 to 20:00, Sunday from 10:00 to 14:00. From 25<sup>th</sup> September to 10<sup>th</sup> October, Monday to Friday from 10:00 to 14:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, Saturday from 10:00 to 14:00 and from 15:00 to 19:00, Sunday from 10:00 to 14:00.

18:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Sébastien Dethise presents L'Home Circ**. He is a one-man circus troupe. A kind of showman-band. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com) Venue opens at 17:00.

19:00, City Walls. **The Announcement**. Following tradition, the mayor Pau Ricomà Vallhonrat symbolically invites the townspeople to take part in the city's great annual festival.

**El Toc de Crida** (The Welcome Call). There is documented evidence going back to the Middle Ages of the Copla de Ministrers of Tarragona's Municipal Council, one of the oldest popular music groups in Europe. The Ministrers perform the Toc de Crida (Welcome Call) which officially announces the start of the Santa Tecla festival.

Followed by: **'The Eleven Mortars' and the 'First Tronada'**. The *tronada*, or thunder, is a stunning daytime firework event. The first recorded *tronada* in Tarragona dates back to 1550. Since 1990, the first event of the festivities has been the setting-off of eleven mortars, one for every day of the festival.

20:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Concert by MFC Chicken** (rock'n'roll/London and Canada). MFC Chicken play raw rock'n'roll, driven by saxophonist Spencer Evoy, on subjects as varied as fast-food and broken hearts. Regarded as one of the most exciting garage bands in the UK, this year marks their tenth anniversary and in La Terrasseta they will be presenting a new album full of rock'n'roll, frat-rock and rhythm and blues. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 19:15.

21:30 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **Manel in concert**. Manel are the only artists to have topped the Spanish charts four times running with songs in Catalan. The Barcelona-based band, whose latest album underlines their commitment to contemporary pop, will be combining the 12 new tracks on the album with their classic playlist, which has already gone down in history. Price: €30 + admin fees. Tickets on sale at [www.ticketplus.cat](http://www.ticketplus.cat).

### Wednesday 16 September

18:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **DJ Capuzzi and Senyoreta X of Cia. Circ de Jocs**. A show full of adrenaline with tap dancing, acrobatics, music and love as the main ingredients. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 17:00.

20:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Concert by Pau Vallvé**. The singer is presenting his latest album, *La vida és ara* (Life is Now) in a new show format, accompanied on stage by Darío Vuelta, with music that features a wealth of machines, instruments and lighting.

Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.cat](http://www.laterrasseta.cat). Venue opens at 19:15.

### Thursday 17 September

18:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **DeseOequilibrio... pero a su tiempo!** A combination of acrobatic dance, verticals, contortions, ribbon acrobatics and trapeze, and above all a lot of fun! Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 17:00.

20:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Concert by The BCN FireBalls** (Rock&Roll). Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 19:15.

21:30, Tarragona Theatre, Rambla Nova, 46. **A homage to Latin music with the TGN Big Band & Yamilé Wilson and the Young TGN Big Band & Chloe Carrascal**. This year, the TGN Big Band and the Young TGN Big Band are presenting a new concert as part of the Festival of Santa Tecla, dedicated this time to Latin music. Price: €10. Tickets on sale at [www.tarracoticket.cat](http://www.tarracoticket.cat).



21:30 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **Miguel Poveda in concert.** Emotion, energy and a fusion of flamenco and other musical genres at this very special concert. Price: €30 + admin fees. Tickets on sale at [www.ticketplus.cat](http://www.ticketplus.cat).

### **Friday 18 September**

18:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Circus with *Capitán Maravilla*.** *Capitán Maravilla* is a small-scale one-person show that combines comedy and circus techniques, suitable for every age group. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 17:00.

19:00 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **La Gresca Lila dels 40 with Reggae per a Xics.** Legendary reggae tunes are adapted for a children's audience, resulting in an unforgettable experience for every age group. Price: €7. Tickets on sale at [www.tarracoticket.cat](http://www.tarracoticket.cat).

19:00, Espai La Palmera, Plaça Imperial Tàrraco. **Semi-final concert for Sona9 2020.** The most important platform for emerging Catalan music is bigger than ever, and in its twentieth edition the city is hosting a live semi-final for the fourth year running, this time featuring two bands: **Maria Jaume** and **Relat**. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [entrades@capsademusica.com](mailto:entrades@capsademusica.com). Venue opens at 18:40

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23:00 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **La Gresca Lila dels 40 with The Penguins.** The second act features a fun and original performance from The Penguins (reggae, ska). Price: €10. Tickets on sale at [www.tarracoticket.cat](http://www.tarracoticket.cat).

### **Saturday 19 September**

18:00, Pastisseria Conde, Carrer Comte de Rius, 5. **The Treat of Santa Tecla.** A real gourmet treat: chocolate sponge with a touch of Chartreuse. The ideal sweet that's an indispensable feature of our Festival meals! Stocks limited. Price: Free. Register in advance at [inscribirme.com/GoigSantaTecla](http://inscribirme.com/GoigSantaTecla). Places limited.

18:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Clowning around with *Betu the Clown*.** A collection of his own, now classic, numbers are combined in this highly flexible proposition. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 17:00

20:00, Saavedra Gardens, La Terrasseta Familiar. **Concert by Joan Garriga with Madjid Fahem** (Rúmbia/La Garriga). The founder of Dusminguet and the soul of La Troba Kung-Fú, Joan Garriga is a key figure when it comes to understanding the evolution of popular music in Catalonia in the twenty-first century. The co-creator of Rúmbia – a mixture of Rumba and Cúmbia – he has just released his first album, ***El ball i el plany*** (The Dance and the Lament) (2020). Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [www.laterrasseta.com](http://www.laterrasseta.com). Venue opens at 17:00

22.30, Tarragona Cathedral. **Concert by La Cobla de Ministrers of the Municipal Council.** For almost seven centuries, the group has provided the musical backdrop for the city's most important events. Its different line-ups have helped to create and define the characteristic musical landscape of the Festa Major, which over the years has become the heritage of all Tarragonans. Entry limited to the maximum capacity of the venue.

### **Sunday 20 September**

10:30 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **L'Entradeta de Músics.** A musical performance starring children. Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions>. Places limited.

19:00, Espai La Palmera, Plaça Imperial Tàrraco. **Teclautors 2020 presents Yuhniversia and Maurici Gené and Adrià Salvador (The Devil's Bridge Brothers) in concert.** Yuhniversia was the winner of the jury prize at Portautors 2019 with a unique cosmic journey that captivated audience and jury alike. Followed by two of our top musicians, Maurici Gené and Adrià Salvador (pop, folk). Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [entrades@capsademusica.com](mailto:entrades@capsademusica.com). Venue opens at 18:40

19:30, Devil's Bridge Eco-History Park. **Pandemòni presents *La música del Diable*, with TMN.** Evocative sounds from the 1980s featuring uniquely personal vocals and lyrics that have already resulted in two albums: *Matinada* (2018) and *La Crida* (2019). Price: Free. Advance registration essential at [visites@pontdeldiabetarragona.com](mailto:visites@pontdeldiabetarragona.com). Places limited.

## Monday 21 September

13:00 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **Vermut Xaranguero**. This year the festival concert has been adapted to the Camp de Mart venue. The *xaragues* (bands) **Tocabemolls, Pujats de To and Guirigalls** will be performing. Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions>. Places limited.

19:00, Plaça de la Font. **'Toc de Pregó' (Town Call)**. The three *tocs de pregó*, performed by the two municipal trumpeters, salute the city's flag which is raised by the Mayor, along with a salvo of rockets.

At the same time as the *Toc de Pregó*, the Cathedral bells ring out in what is known as the **Repic General**. The Cathedral bells are the only instruments to have announced the beginning of festivities since the Saint's relic first reached the city in 1321. On 21 September, after the *Toc de Pregó* and at the same time as the *Repic General* from the Cathedral, the second salvo of the **Tronada** is delivered.

**Access to Plaça de la Font and the surrounding area will be limited in strict compliance with health protocols. To attend the event, you must register in advance at [www.tarragona.cat/cultura/invitacions](http://www.tarragona.cat/cultura/invitacions). If there is more demand than capacity, a draw will be held before the event.**

19:45, Plaça de la Font. **First Amparito Roca (paso doble) of the festival** performed by Tradiband, the Band of Traditional Instruments of Tarragona.

21:00, Banc d'Espanya's Garden (Rambla Nova). **Vilart Ensemble Concert**. Concert organised by *Escola Municipal de Música de Tarragona*. Price: free. Places limited.

## Tuesday 22 September

12:00, Bell tower of the Cathedral. **Bells on the Eve of the Festival**. The bells are the true protagonists on the eve of Santa Tecla.

18:00 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **Barraques 2020**. The Barraques de Tarragona Association has had to change its original proposal, and this year will be offering single-day *barraques* (stalls) in two very different formats. In the afternoon, a wacky proposal featuring the performance of **El Artriste** (rock, rumba...) & **The Feos Experience** (popular jazz). Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions> Places limited.

19:00, Espai La Palmera, Plaça Imperial Tàrraco. **Concert with Els Glosters and Los Doctores**. Els Glosters, a Tarragona-based pop group, are celebrating a brilliant track record of thirty years. They will be preceded by the Barcelona band Los Doctores. Price: Free. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [entrades@capsademusica.com](mailto:entrades@capsademusica.com). Venue opens at 18:40

20:15, Seminary, cloister of Sant Pau. **Complete performance of La Moixiganga**, with **So Nat - Grallers de Tarragona**. La Moixiganga will be giving a complete performance of the Passion of Christ. Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions> Places limited.

21:30 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **The Barraques Concerts 2020**. Tonight you can enjoy the performances of both **Els Xatos** (Rumba) and **Les Ketekalles** (rumba, punk, funk, rap & soul). Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions> Places limited.

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## Wednesday 23 September. Santa Tecla's Day

07:00, in different locations. **'Morning song'** (music for the gralla, a traditional Catalan wind instrument). The 'morning song' is the piece that the gralla players perform as the sun rises to inform the whole town that the saint's day is beginning. On the morning of 23 September, the gralla and timbal (drum) players, along with guest players all play the 'morning song' together.

08:30, from the Cathedral bell-tower. **Prima, prima solemne and pontifical chimes**.

10:00, Cathedral. **Santa Tecla Mass**. The Mass begins with the processional transfer of the saint's relic from the chapel to the high altar. A Pontifical Mass is held during which the saint's relic is offered to the faithful for worship. At the end of the Mass, the choir and the 'Friends of the Cathedral' orchestra join together in song.

17:00 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **El Pot Petit in concert.** The famous family music group will be playing in Tarragona on Santa Tecla's Day, in a performance that combines music, puppets and dance. At long last, El Pot Petit is performing at Santa Tecla! Price: €16.50 + admin fees. Tickets on sale at [www.ticketplus.cat](http://www.ticketplus.cat).

19:00, Tarragona Theatre, Rambla Nova, 11. **Canya i metall, a concert of cobla music featuring the groups Reus Jove and Maricel.** The pandemic situation has meant that the dances have had to be changed to performances, but the excellent harmony and collaboration between the two Tarragonan sardana bands will bring the concert to life and serve to present the city with a sample of the very best cobla music. Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions>. Places limited.

19:00, Espai La Palmera, Plaça Imperial Tàrraco. **30th L’Hora del Jazz – Tete Montoliu Memorial, with Irene Reig Trio and the Joan Fort Group.** Price: €5. Places are limited and available subject to advance booking only at [entrades@capsademusica.com](mailto:entrades@capsademusica.com). Venue opens at 18:40

21:00, various locations across the city. **The Fire Artists of Santa Tecla.** This year, Tarragona’s ‘fire runners’ will not be able to take to the streets with their flares and sparklers, but they are determined not to miss the chance to fill the air on every corner of the city with the scent of gunpowder at the most electrifying moment of the festivities: the Entrance of the Arm of Santa Tecla to the Cathedral.

23:00 Camp de Mart Theatre and Auditorium. **Reed musicians. Gralla concert.** A concert by different gralla-playing groups (a traditional Catalan wind instrument). Price: Free. Advance registration essential at <http://cultura.tarragona.cat/invitacions> Places limited.

### **Thursday 24 September. La Mercè**

22:00, location to be determined, **the final tronada (thunder) of the Festival of Santa Tecla**, audible across the entire city, delivered by the firework artists of **Pirotècnia Igual** of Canyelles (Garraf). The conclusion of Santa Tecla 2020, which we hope will augur a magnificent Saint’s Day in 2021.

**Festival Stand**, foyer of the Tarragona Theatre, Rambla Nova, 11.

The stand is the main information point during the festivities and the place where you can find all the Santa Tecla merchandise. Opening times: 10:00 – 14:00 and 17:00 – 21:00. 24 September, 10:00 – 14:00. 11 – 24 September.

#### **T-shirt**

Price: €12

#### **Bag**

Price: €7

#### **Scarf**

Price: €5

#### **Tote Bag**

Price: €7

#### **Fan**

Price: €7

#### **Bracelet**

Price: €2 each / 2 for €3

#### **Damask**

Price: €7

Other points of sale: <https://www.tarragona.cat/cultura/festes-i-cultura-popular/santa-tecla/marxandatge-oficial/emportat-la-tecla-amb-tu>