

Festival mundial de la joventut

agenda



The Orquestra de Joves Intèrprets dels Països Catalans. / ORIOL DURAN

Closing ceremony to say farewell to the WYF

● The World Youth Festival Barcelona 2004 says farewell at a closing ceremony in which delegates and numerous representatives of organizations, governments and institutions will participate. The first appointment for the closing ceremony is at 4 pm at the Auditorium in the Forum Building. To get participants in the festive mood, DJ Marise will perform until 5 pm, when the official ceremony begins. A representative from the Barcelona Town Council, one from the Catalan Autonomous Government, one from the Na-

tional Preparatory Committee and one from the International Preparatory Committee will give a speech. After the speeches, at around 6:15 pm, the Orquestra de Joves Intèrprets dels Països Catalans, directed by Salvador Brotons, will hold a recital. This orchestra was founded in Majorca by the association *Forum Musicae* in order to reinforce its status as a cultural agent. The orchestra comprises 90 young musicians from various parts of Catalan speaking areas (Valencia, Catalonia, Alger, Andorra, Franja de Ponent, Ca-

talunya Nord and the Balearic Islands) that are united by different accents of the same language, a common commitment to peace and solidarity and the desire to share with the world their cultural heritage. The program scheduled for the closing ceremony includes works by Rodrigo, Lamote de Grignon, Dvorak and Salvador Brotons himself. Following the concert, outside on the Forum Site, the performances by Acrobates d'Aïlar and Jaipur Brass Band will begin.



Marc Parrot. / R. BEGINES

The last night of the Festival will be one big party

● The World Youth Festival will not end with the official closing ceremony. Participants will have all night to listen and dance to music by Marc Parrot, TY, Fundación Tony Manero and Orishas.

The first concert, by Catalan singer Marc Parrot, will be held at the Marina Stage at 8 pm. Parrot's music can be defined as *atypical*. His singing is unusual and as an artist he is truly unique. He presents a cocktail of electronic and pop-rock music that is sprinkled with the different trends of the past few decades. TY is playing their hip-hop music from 10:30 pm to 12:30 am. At 1:30 am, the Cuban hip-hop band, Orishas will perform. This trio will perform songs from their latest album, *Emigrante*, another sample of a harmonious fusion of rap, son, funk and Cuban rhythms. At the Haima Stage, audiences will be able to enjoy the funk and dance music of Barcelona's Fundación Tony Manero at 11 pm. Meanwhile, at the port, a special dance club session will start at 10:15 pm and last until 3:00 am. Starting at 10 pm there will be a fireworks show.

Final activities of the self-management program

● The youth associations that are participating in the Festival continue to offer, up until the very last day, an interesting and varied program of activities. Following below are some of the examples of the activities being held at the Barcelona International Convention Center (CCIB) and throughout the Forum Site. At the CCIB, Tejo, world organization of young esperantists, will hold three working sessions on *International communication and language as human rights*, the first one starts at 10 am. At 11:30 am, Independents Artists from Bosnia and Herzegovina celebrate the conference *From East to West*, and half an hour later, the activity *Peace and Human Rights* run by International Union of Socialist Youth (IUSY) and European Community Organization of Socialist Youth (ECOSY) will begin. As regards outdoor activities, at 11 am, at the Haima Workshop, the activity *Atelier de Body painting* run by the Conselho Nacional de Juventude de Portugal will begin. From 1 pm to 2 pm, at the Ombra Stage, the workshop *Firedance without fire how to twil poi and staff*, run by the group Playground E.V., will be held.



Sahar Saba, representative of Rawa. / LLUÍS CRUSET

Sahar Saba, appears at 141 Questions

● *From the Taliban to the Post-War Period: What are young women experiencing in Afghanistan?* Sahar Saba, representative of Rawa, will respond to this question at the Forum's 141 Questions today at 8 pm at the

Haima Stage. Rawa, the Revolutionary Association of Women in Afghanistan, was founded in 1977 as an independent political organization of Afghan women that works to obtain human rights and social justice in Afg-

hanistan. Since 1992, Rawa's efforts have focused on opposing the criminal policies of fundamentalists and ultra-fundamentalists, and on opposing the crimes the Taliban commit against the Afghan people.