

# ABANILLA

Fiestas de la Santísima Cruz, Moros y Cristianos  
Del 22 de Abril al 4 de mayo de 2016

## PROGRAMME OF THE ABANILLA FIESTAS 2016

### FRIDAY 15th APRIL

**09:00 pm.:** Painting exhibition from the artist Úrsula Riquelme and Moorish & Christian costumes of our Fiestas. In the cultural center La Encomienda-Salón de Juventud-. Opening hours- Saturday: from mid-day to 2.00 pm / from 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm. Sunday: from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm.

**10:00 pm.:** Route of tapa & Cocktail "I Pasabares de la Tapa y el Cóctel". From Friday until Sunday, 17 of April, at 4.00 pm.

### SATURDAY 16th APRIL

**08:00 pm.:** Musical parade announcing brass bands concert (V Certamen de Bandas de Música Villa de Abanilla).

**08:30 pm.:** Brass band concert in the auditorium.

**12:30 am.:** Open-air disco dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by Sonido Garrumbo.

### SUNDAY 17th APRIL

**10:00 am.:** Handmade market, In the Town Hall square and surroundings. Until 6.00 pm. (At 11.00 am, opening act with queens of fiestas and local authorities.)

**11:00 am.:** Farewell ceremony to Queens, Captains and Pages 2015, and presentation of new main cha-

racters of Fiestas 2016. In the auditorium. Prize-giving; best musicians, the best parade Christian group, best parade Moorish group, medals distribution... and Hermandad de la Santísima Cruz will give special presents for important charges in the fiesta.

### FROM 22th to 30th APRIL

**07:30 pm.:** Celebrations of Mass in honour of the Holy Cross, Santísima Cruz, in San José's Church.  
FRIDAY 22th APRIL

**01:30 am.:** Concentration brass band in the Town Hall Square.

**02:00 am.:** Light show and shot announcing FIESTAS DE ABANILLA beginning, in the Paseo de la Ermita.

**02:30 am.:** Open-air disco dance "NOCHE JOVEN" in the Paseo de la Ermita by Sonido Fusión.

### SATURDAY 23rd APRIL

**09:00 pm.:** Coronation -Gala and Opening Speech of Fiestas. In the sports centre.



**23:30 pm.:** Open-air dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by Orquesta La Vendetta.

### SUNDAY 24th APRIL

Midday: Moorish and Christian children groups performance, in sport centre.

**5:00 pm.:** Children parade. Route: La Lonja Garden, Mayor st., Town hall Square, San José st., Juan Carlos I avenue, and Paseo de la Ermita.

### THURSDAY 28th APRIL

**05:00 pm.:** Happy hour for children at the Fair. 2 tickets for the price of 1.

### FRIDAY 29th APRIL

**6:00 pm.:** Musical for kids "Confetti Panda", in Paseo de la Ermita.

Midnight: "EMBAJADA", (a performance representing the Moor and Christian embassy, a little teatric work where a muslim embrace christian faith) in Plaza de la Constitución.

**01:00 am.:** Open-air disco dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by Sonido Garrumbo.

### SATURDAY 30th APRIL

**10:00 am.:** I Jornada benéfico- festera. Non profit organizations meeting and exhibition, in the Town Hall Square.

Midnight: Moorish and Christian Queens Presentation (Parade). Route: La Lonja Garden, Mayor st., Town Hall square, San José St., Juan Carlos I avenue and Paseo de la Ermita.

**01:00 am.:** Open-air dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by Orquesta La Reina.

### SUNDAY 01st MAY

**09:30 am.:** Celebration of Mass, San José's Church.

**11:00 am.:** Brass band parade with "música festera". It will start from the church square.

**12:30 pm.:** Free beer in the church square.

**06:30 pm.:** Parade of Christian and Moorish groups.  
- MOORISH BAND (called "Kábilas"): Ballet Al'Zulum, Muzalé, Omeyas de Mahoya, Al'Bayada, Albayad'Allah, Al'Jarea de al'Margen, Tuareg al'Sahués, Aljama, Muladíes de al'Banyala, Alfaquíes de al'Zulum, Almohades de Macitavera, Abbasíes de al'Padul, Jaira (Moorish Queen), Almorávides de al'Jezar y Musulmanes del Chícamo.

- CHRISTIAN BAND (called "Mesnadas"): Ballet





Jaima, Caballeros del Cid, Santa Ana, Almogávares (Christian Queen), Mudéjares del Zurca, Villa de Favarella, Caballeros del Temple, Don Jaime I el Conquistador, Arqueros de Rocafull, Lanceros de Avellaneda, Damas y Caballeros de Castilla, Cruzados de Cuyalbe y Caballeros y Damas de Calatrava.

ROUTE: (Starting from the Sports Centre) Región de Murcia avenue, Francisco Salzillo st., town hall square, Mayor st, la Lonja garden and Canalejas st.

When the parade finishes, everybody is invited to the “cuartelillos”, headquarters of the kábilas and mesnadas, to have a snack.

Midnight: Open-air dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by Orquesta Etiqueta Show and disco music.

#### MONDAY 02 nd MAY

**6:00 pm.:** Flower Offering. Religious procession with the Holy Cross. Captains, Pages, members of Moor and Christian associations go along with the throne up to the Church.

After a while, the procession will celebrate a religious ceremony in the Church, then Captains wave their flags in Town Hall Square and Paseo de la Ermita.

Midnight: Open-air dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by the groups Duendes y Rosa Cruz y Clave de Son and disco music.



#### TUESDAY 03 rd MAY

**05:00 am.:** Reveille with drums.

**06:00 am.:** Reveille by the Musical Local Group which goes with Pages and Captains to the Church.

**07:30 am.:** Celebrations of Holy Mass. After the Mass, Pilgrimage from the local church to the Hermitage of Mahoya.

As the procession arrives in Mahoya, the Holy Cross is raised and presented from the balcony of the Hermitage Chapel of Mahoya under a paper ball called “Granada”. The captains wave the flag and the harquebusiers shoot in the Square of Mahoya. One or two boys pull a little string of the paper ball and liberate the doves contained in it. A mechanism inside



the cross, streams a jet of water that falls bathing the Cross. Then a Holy Mass is celebrated in the Hermitage after which all the pilgrims can kiss the Cross and to go lunch.

After a while, the procession comes back to Abanilla and another waving of the flag is made in Santa Ana.

**11:30 pm.:** Open-air dance in the Paseo de la Ermita by Orquesta Amanecer and disco music.

#### WEDNESDAY 04 th MAY

Midday: Celebrations of Solemn Mass in honour of the Captains and Pages.

#### FRIDAY 06 th MAY

**08:00 pm.:** Brass band parade with Moorish Queen and Christian Queen and groups.

**11:00 pm.:** D’J concert by local D’J: Igual, Kartero, Garrumbo, Tito Dj and Alain Esteve, in Paseo de la Ermita.

#### SATURDAY 07 th MAY

Midday: Queens and their court will visit the residents of Altavida rest home.

**05:00 pm.:** Brass band parade with moorish and Christian groups.

06:00 pm.: Musical-show for kids “Soñando por siempre jamás” (based on Cinderella tale). In the Auditorio, free admission to the play according to availability.

**11:00 pm.:** Brass band parade with moorish and Christian groups.

Midnight: Pop-Rock concert of local groups: The Psychoskys, Jhonny Rivers and the Band, Balonguines and Llano de Sahués. In Paseo de la Ermita.

**02:30 am.:** Fiesta Joven with disco music. In Paseo de la Ermita.

#### SUNDAY 08 th MAY

**11:30 am:** Holy Mass, San José’s Church. Then, the patroness will be taken to Corazón de Jesús in order to bless the fields.

**05:30 pm.:** “Octava” Procession, from the Church. This is the day when all the religious ceremonies end with a procession of the of the Holy Cross. The Captains, perform for the last time the waving of the flag and the harquebusiers shoot “salvos” in different places set out in the village.

Fireworks, in the Town Hall Square.

