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# Architecture and Public Art in the Comunidad Valenciana

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## Spain's Autonomous Communities



Comunidad  
Valenciana



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## Comunidad Valenciana

Marina  
Alta

Alicante

Cervantes, writing about visitors to Valencia:

"No-one had to tell them of the grandeur of the place, of the excellence of its inhabitants, the pleasantness of its environs, and finally all that which made it beautiful and rich above all other cities, not only in Spain but also in all of Europe; and principally they praised the beauty of the women and their extreme cleanliness and charming language."



Mariano Benlliure  
1862-1947

1905

Miguel de  
Cervantes  
(1547-1616)



Don  
Quixote

# Peter's Top-10 Provincial Capitals

## for two or three days of sightseeing

- 1 Barcelona
- 2 Madrid
- 3 Seville
- 4 Valencia**
- 5 Salamanca
- 6 Granada
- 7 Córdoba
- 8 Segovia
- 9 León
- 10 Zaragoza

# Valencia Cathedral



# Palacio del Marqués de Dos Aguas

Rococo style

Valencia

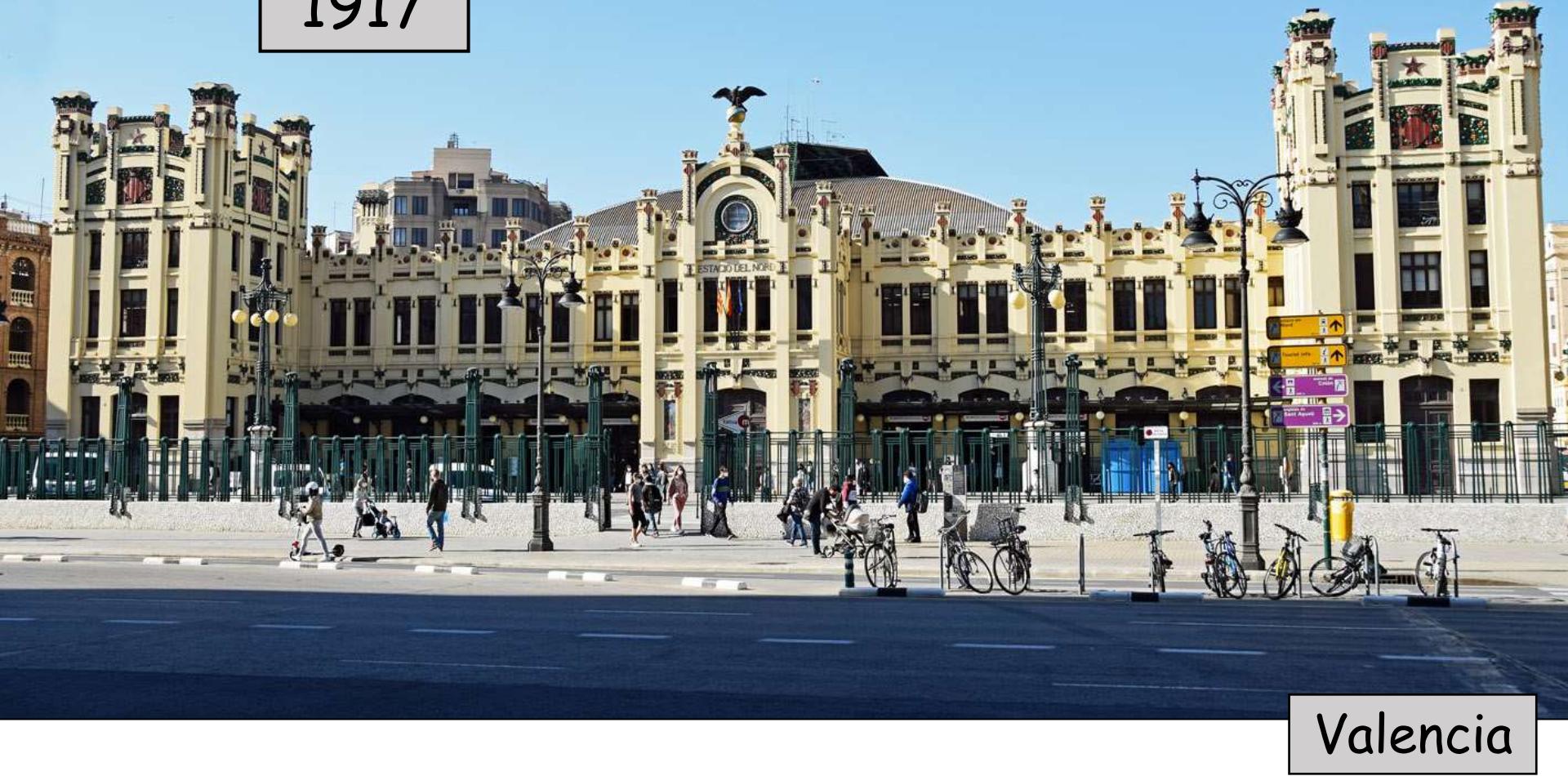




Palacio del Marqués  
de Dos Aguas

# Estación del Norte

1917



Valencia

# Estación del Norte

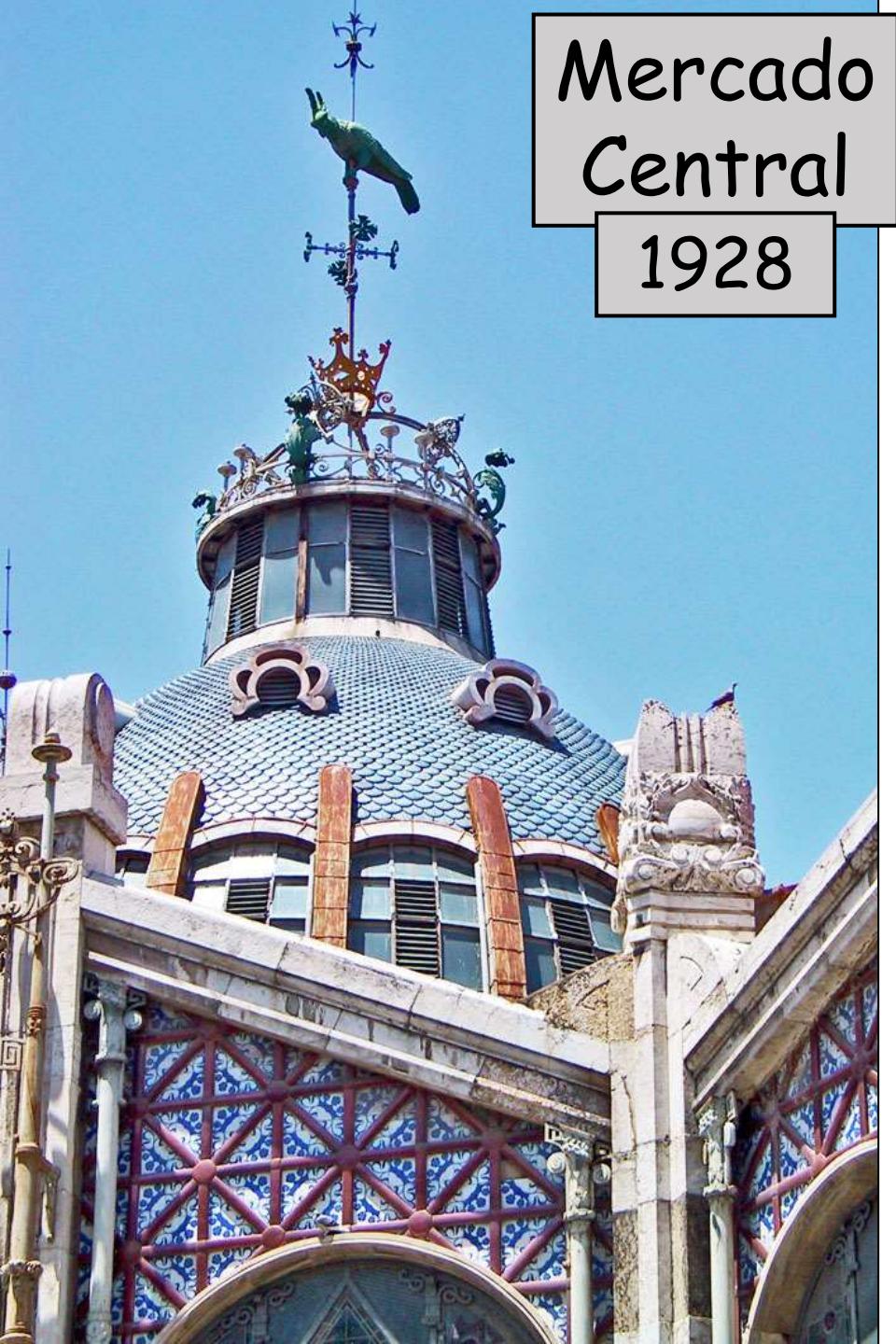


Valencia

Mercado  
Central

1928





# Mercado Central

1928



# Mercado de Colón

1917

Valencia







# Ayuntamiento

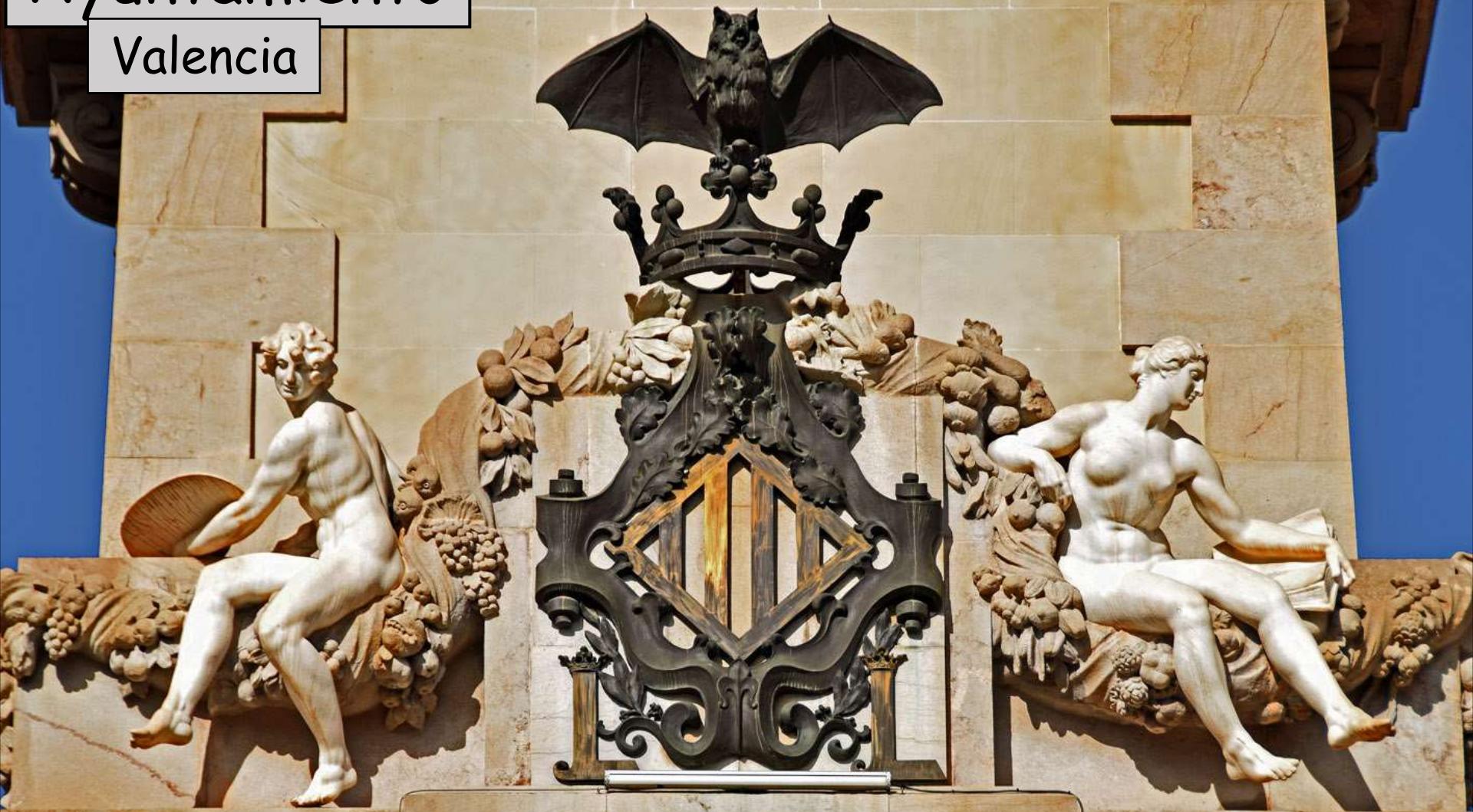
1905-1950



Valencia

Ayuntamiento

Valencia



Mariano Benlliure

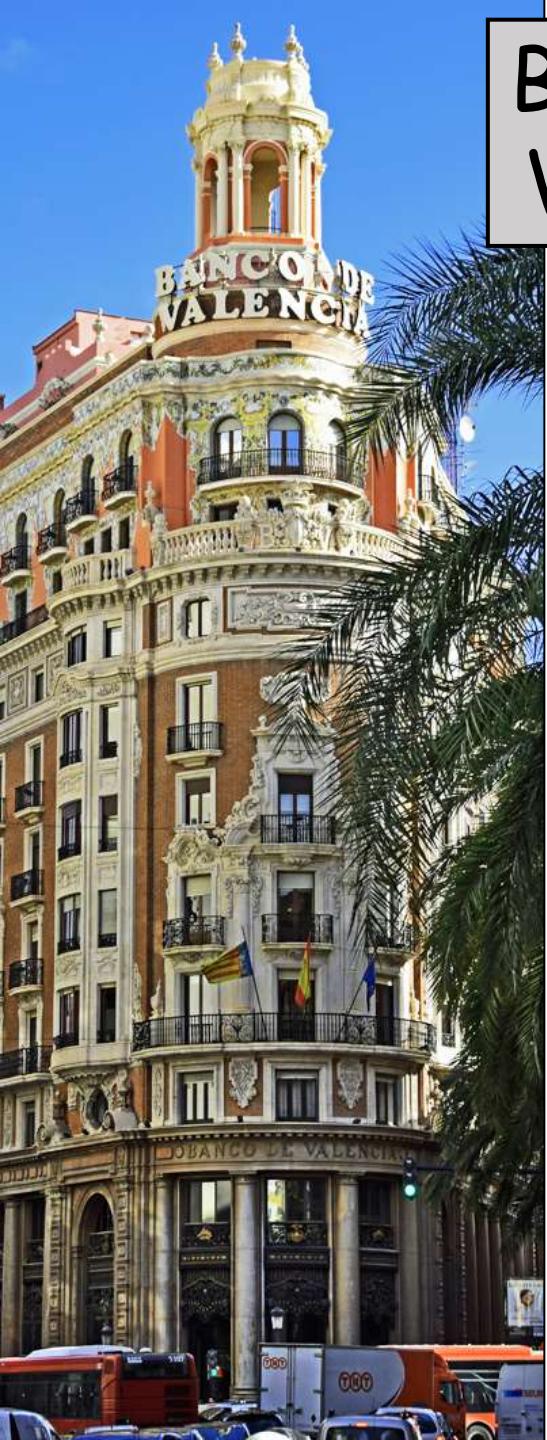
# Post Office

1922



Valencia





# Banco de Valencia

1942



# Banco de Valencia



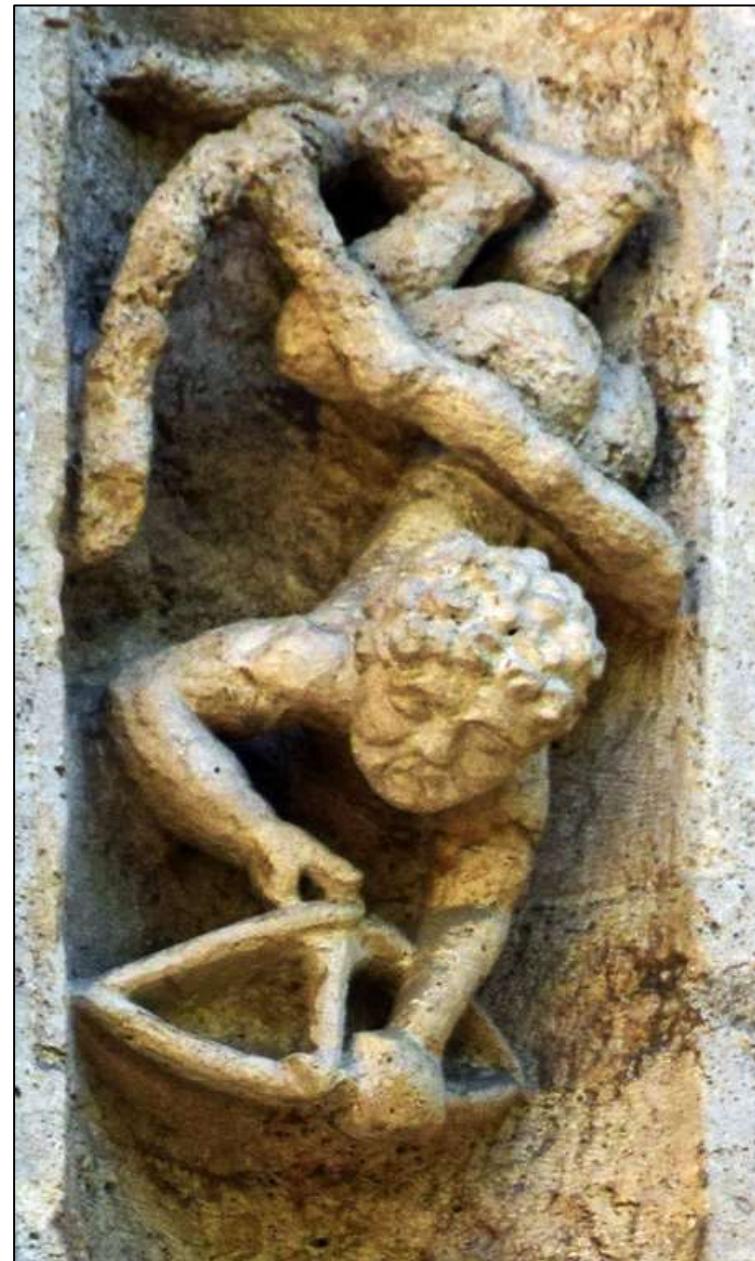
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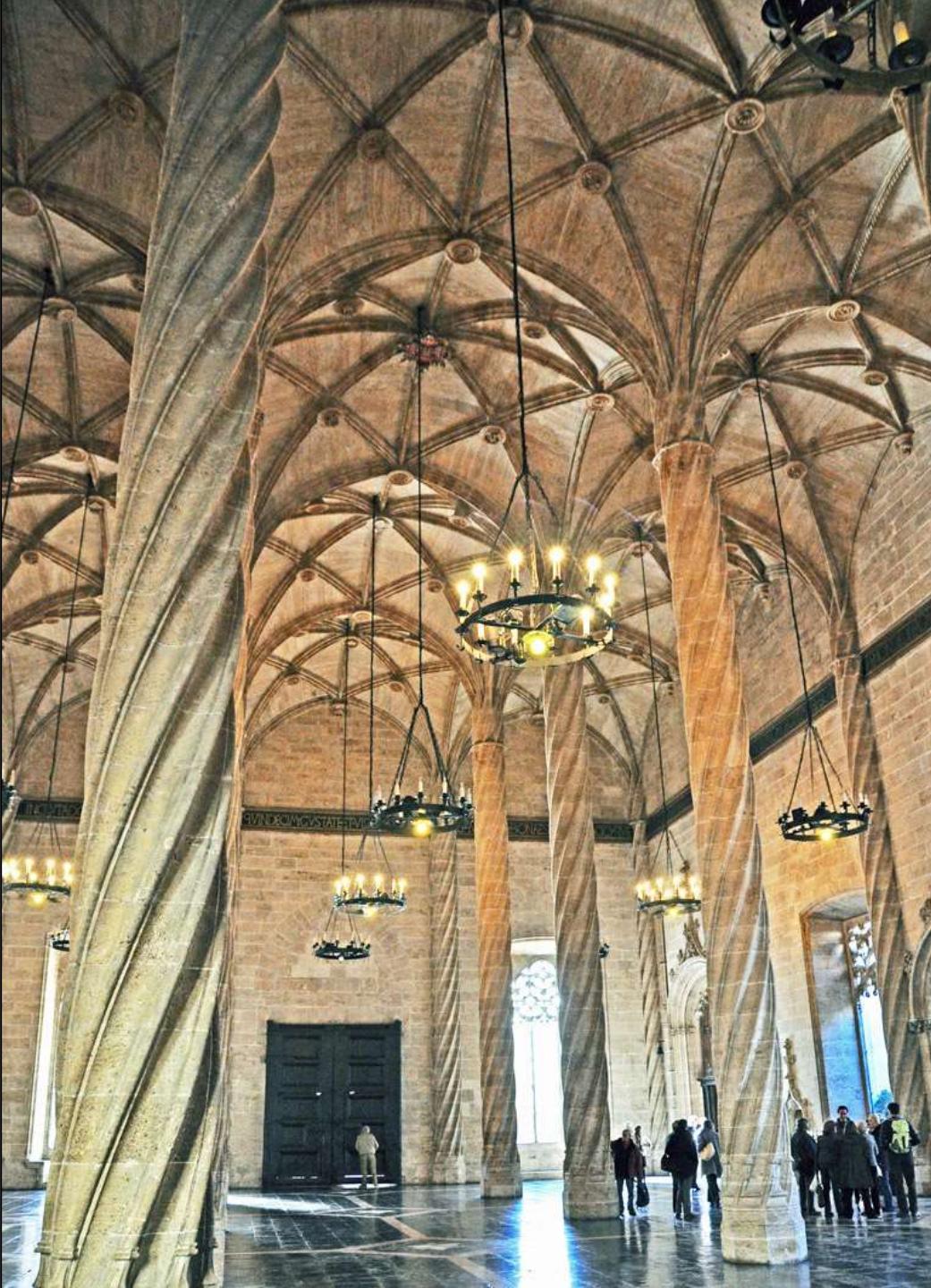
Late-15C

















# The City of Arts and Sciences from the Cathedral



The Opera House

The Hemisféric



The City of Arts  
and Sciences



The Science Museum

The Ágora

The City of Arts  
and Sciences

# Sir Tony Cragg Points of View



# Toni Marí



Jaime I of Aragón, *el Conquistador*  
1208-1276 (r.1213-1276)  
Entered Valencia 9 Oct 1238



By Agapito  
Vallmitjana  
1891





Moses  
by Blu  
("Italian  
Street-Art  
Legend")

Valencia

by Escif  
("El Banksy  
Valenciano")

Valencia



by La Nena  
Wapa Wapa  
(Raquel Ruiz)

Valencia



by Julieta

Valencia



# Aporophobia



by Elias Taño



by Disneylexya



Valencia

# Okuda San Miguel



Valencia

# Toronto, Ontario

## Okuda San Miguel



# The Fallas



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# The Fallas



A large, intense fire dominates the left side of the frame, with a massive, turbulent plume of orange and yellow flames rising into the dark sky. To the right, a smaller, more contained fire or explosion is visible, emitting a bright white and yellow glow. In the foreground, a person wearing a light-colored vest over a dark shirt is seen from behind, looking towards the inferno. The scene is set against a dark, hazy background, likely at night, with some faint lights and structures visible on the right.

19 Mar 2014

# Alicante



Castillo de Santa Bárbara  
Mont Benacantil

# Alicante



# Alicante



# Esplanada de España



Alicante



Co-Cathedral of St  
Nicholas of Bari, 17C

# Ayuntamiento

## 18C

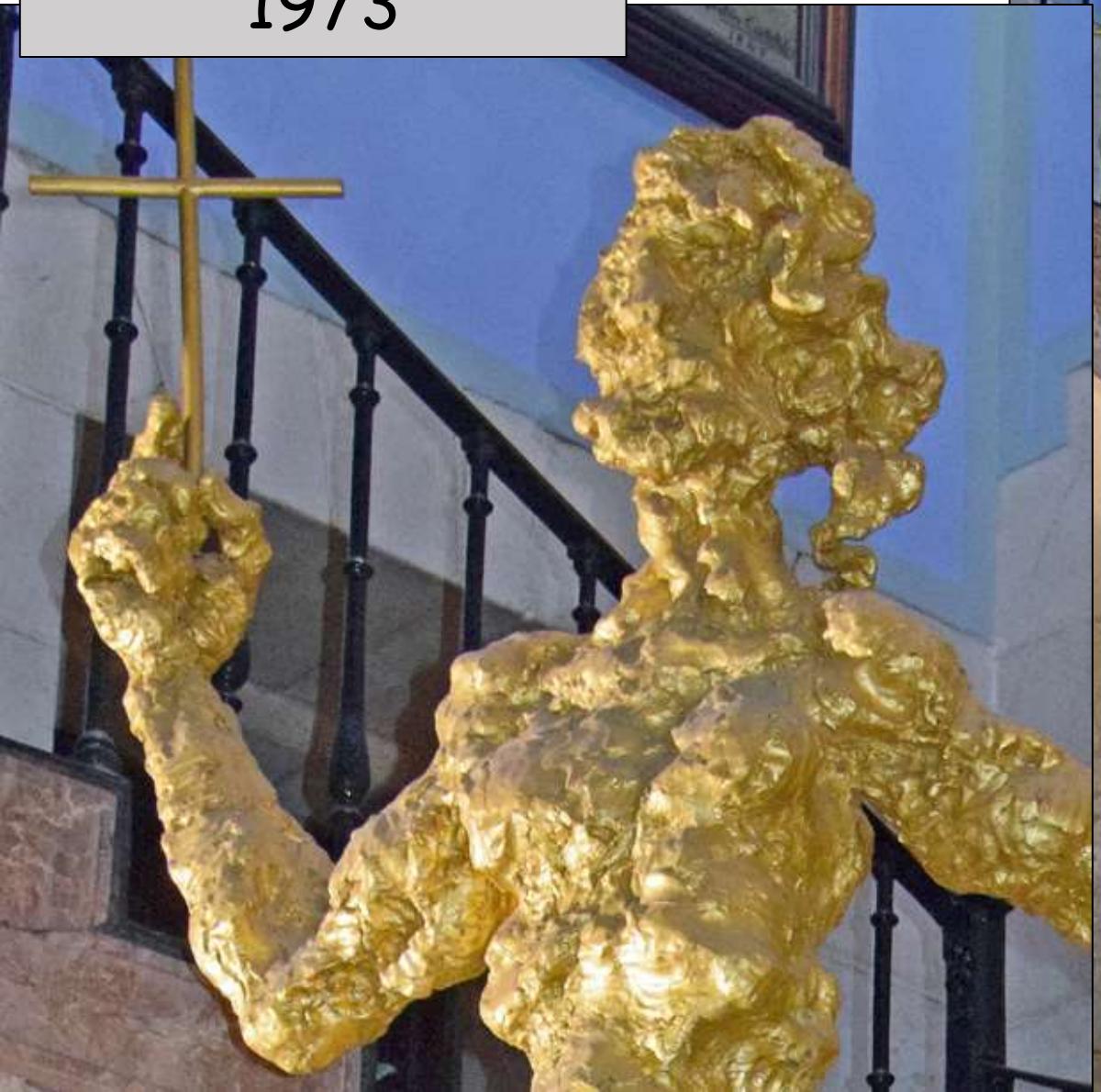


Alicante

# Ayuntamiento



*John the Baptist*  
Salvador Dalí  
1973



*The Montreal Building  
(aka "The Pyramid")  
Alfonso Navarre, 1968*









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Serrano

CALLE  
CORTADA  
POR OBRAS







TONI CUATRERO •XX•

# Castellón de la Plana



Train Station

El Fadri  
Tower



Concatedral de Santa María  
Castellón



# Town Hall, 17-18C

Castellón



Old Casino  
Francisco  
Maristany  
1923

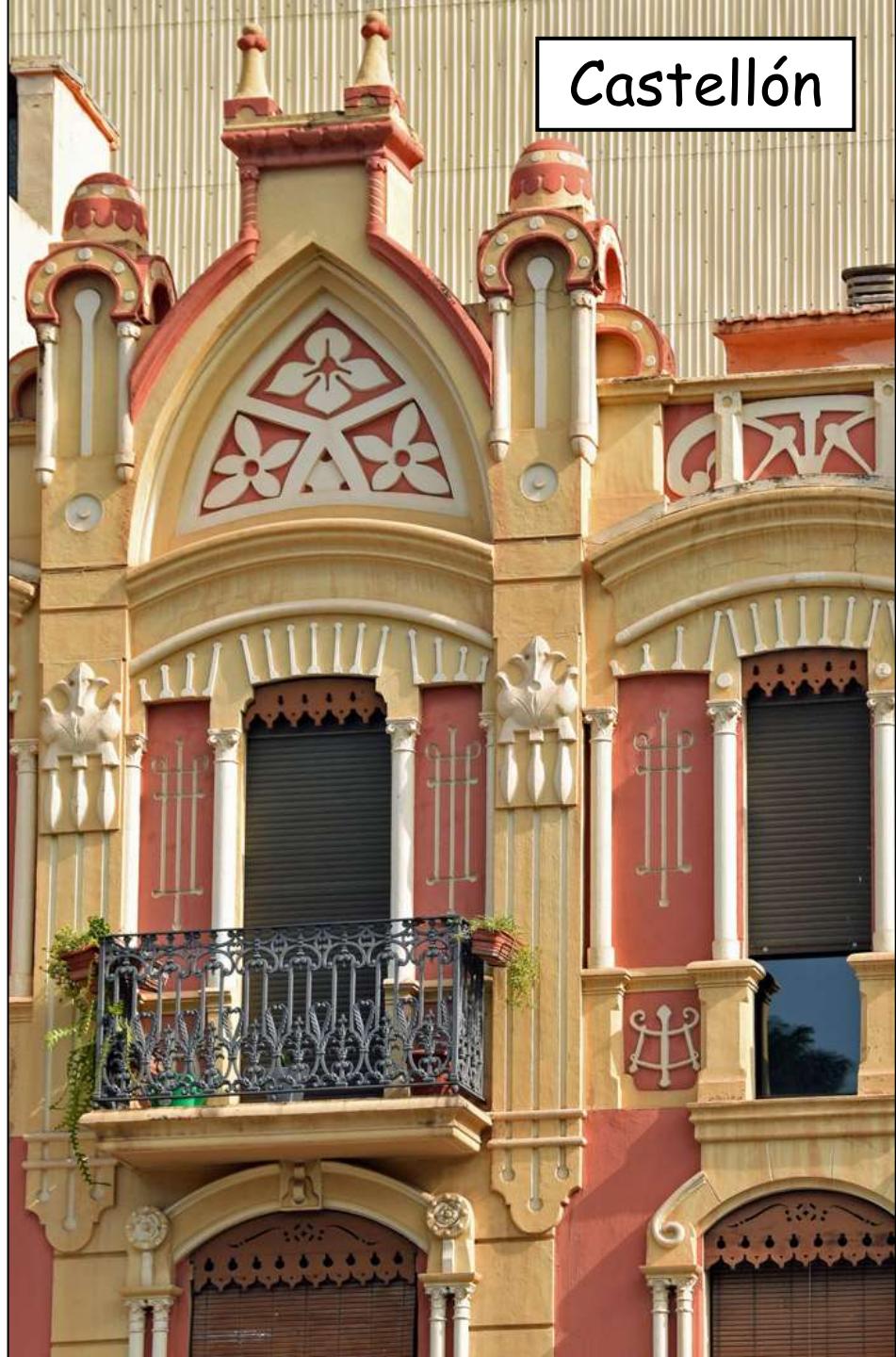
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Castellón



Castellón



Post Office  
Building

Neo-Mudéjar  
1932



Demetrio Ribes  
Joaquín Dicenta

Castellón

Castellón



Castellón



Castellón



Alegria  
2010



La Panderola, 1888-1963

Castellón



Ferran Guallart, 1984

# Castellón



Castellón

Ribalta Park



# Castellón



Castellón

Jaime I  
José Viciano  
1897



Toro  
Melchor Zapata  
2008

Castellón



Castellón

El Pensador  
Juan Ripollés,  
2010



Castellón



Monument to the  
Foundation of Castellón  
Vicente Llorens, 1985





# Marina Alta



# Benicarló

## Castellón



Benicarló

Monument to the  
Labourers  
José Antonio Caldés  
2005



# Benicarló



# Benicarló

TECNIC  
ASESORÍA EN



Benicarló

Miguel  
Pruñonosa



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Pruñonosa

Benicarló



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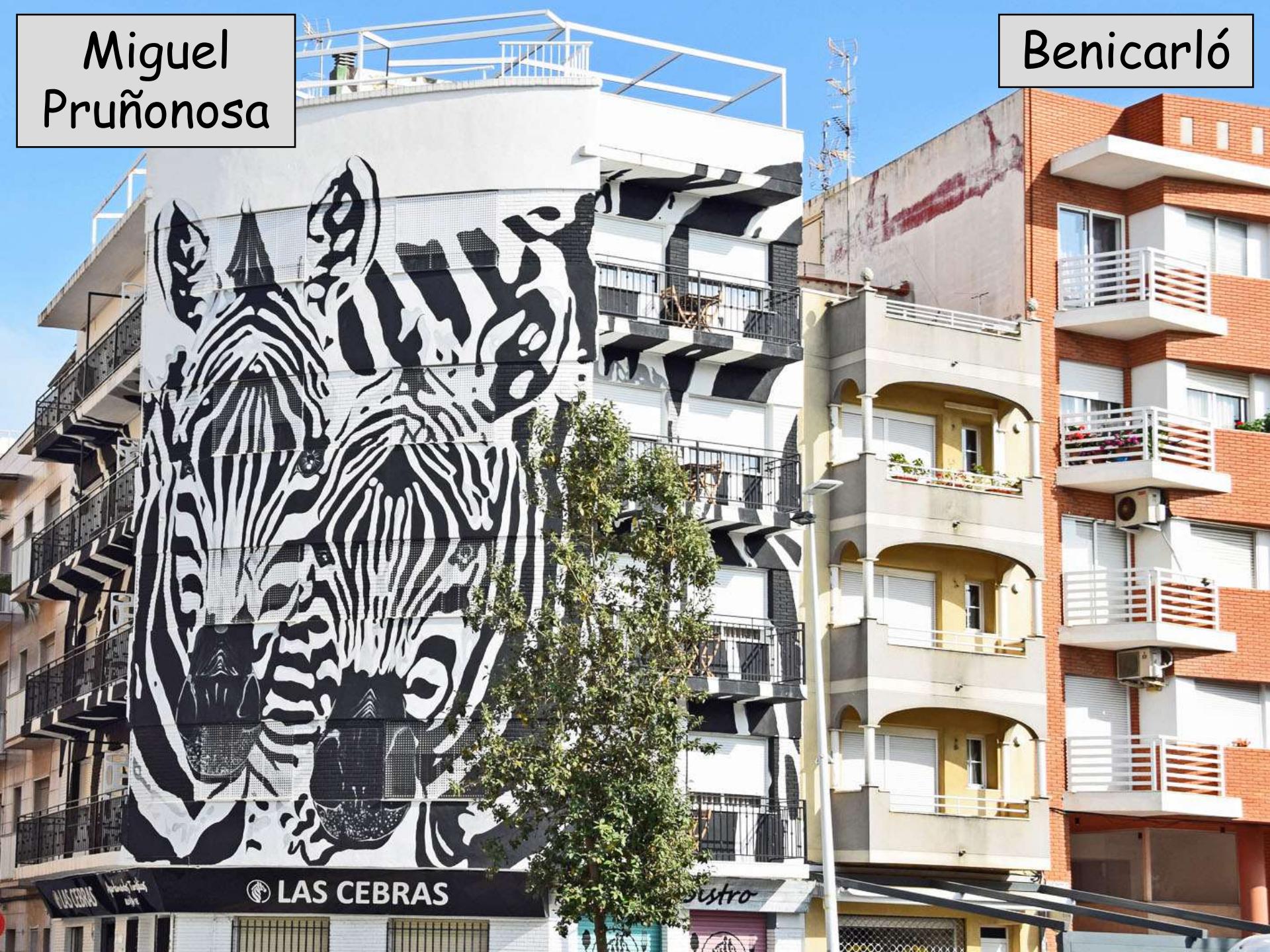


Benicarló



Miguel  
Pruñonosa

Benicarló



# Carrícola, Valencia



Carrícola



Adela & Rosario  
Altabert



Carrícola



Carrícola

by Julieta  
2011

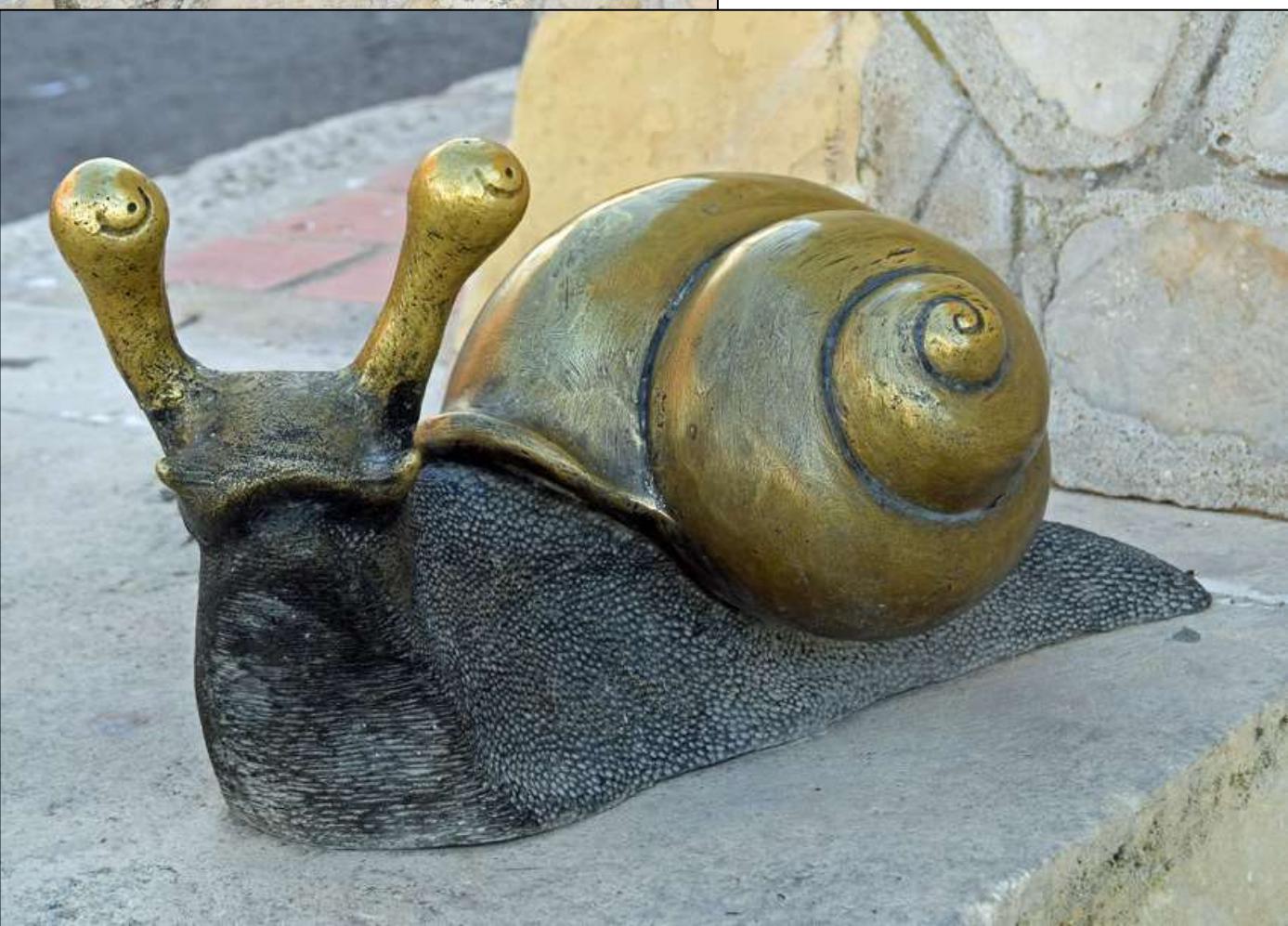


# Carrícola



Carrícola

Jaume Espí





Carrícola

Milagros  
Bayarri



Carrícola

Maro  
Aguilar



# Otos, Valencia



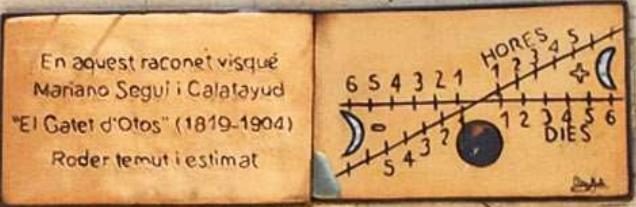
The village  
of sundials

# Otos





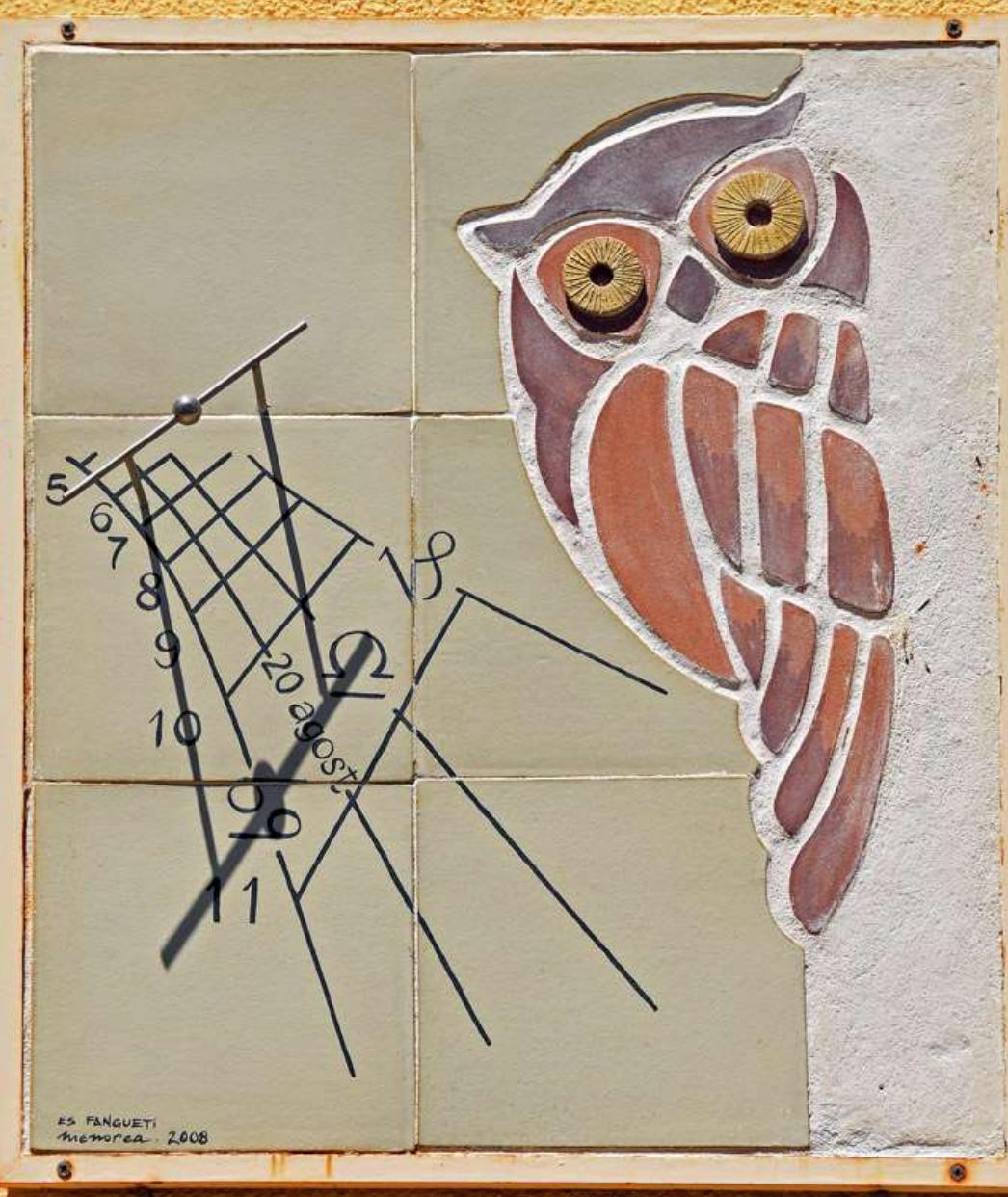
En aquest raconet visqué  
Mariano Segui i Calatayud  
"El Gatet d'Otos" (1819-1904)  
Roder temut i estimat



Otos

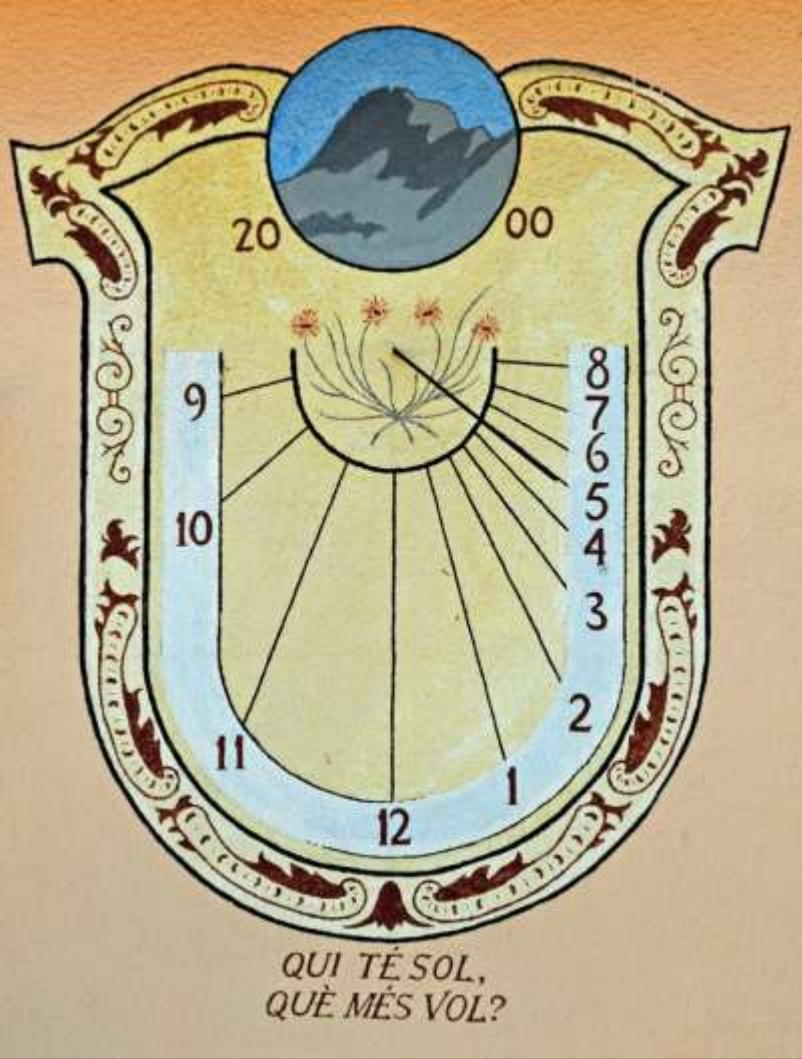


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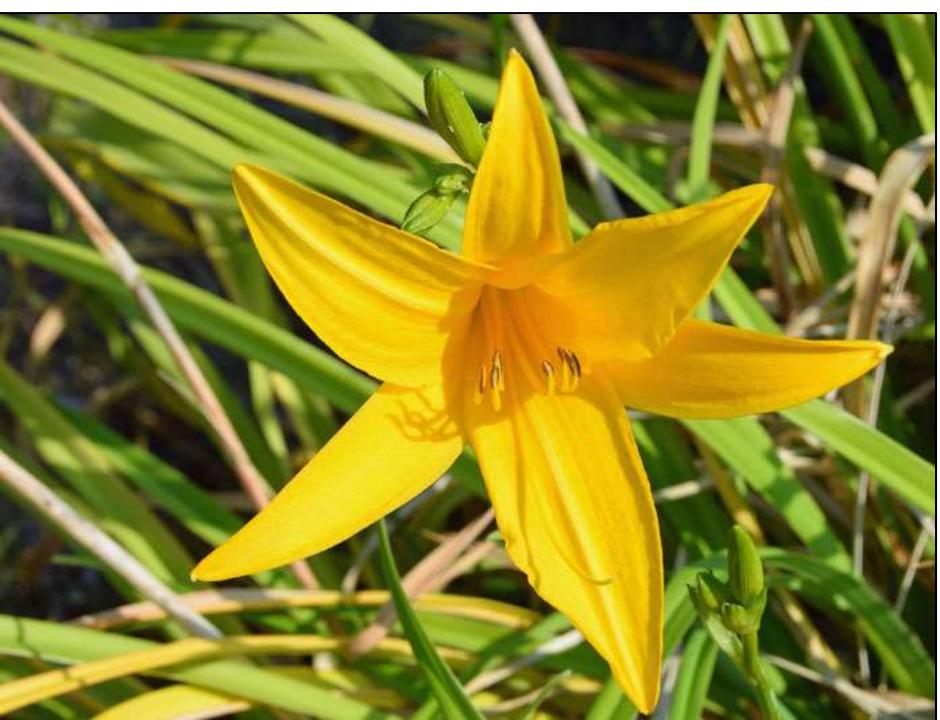
Alfaz del Pi  
Alicante

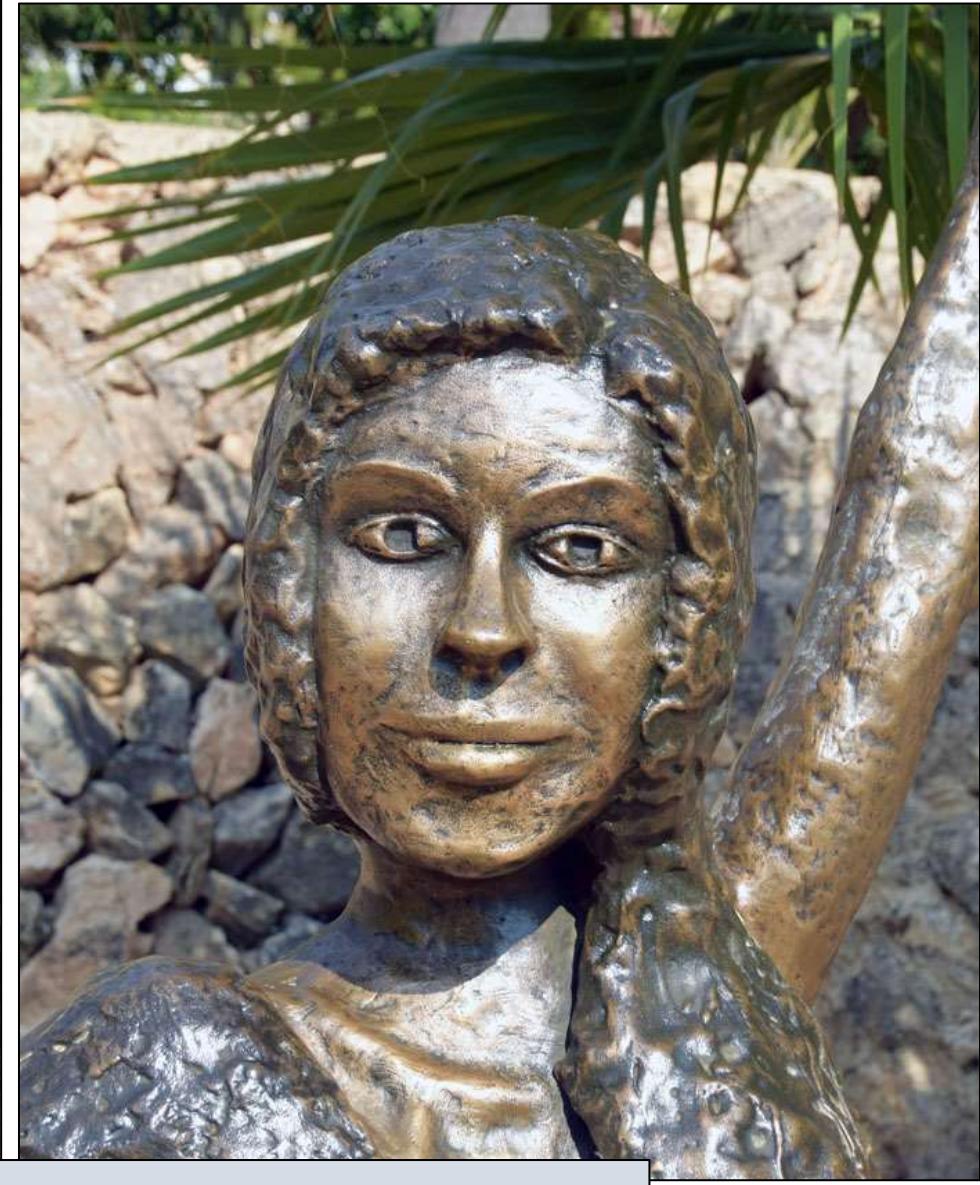
Klein-Schreuder  
Foundation

Sculpture Garden

Johannes Klein  
Johanna Schreuder







*Valerie Klein*  
Johanna Klein-Schreuder

*Lovers*  
Antonio Ibernón



*Absence*  
Jorge Castro



*World Hunger*  
Jorge Castro





*My Inner World*

Laura Beltrá







*The Urangutan*  
Martin Michorius



Iris le Rütte



*The Smug Mare*

*The Acrobat*



*The Dance of Love*  
Toni Marí





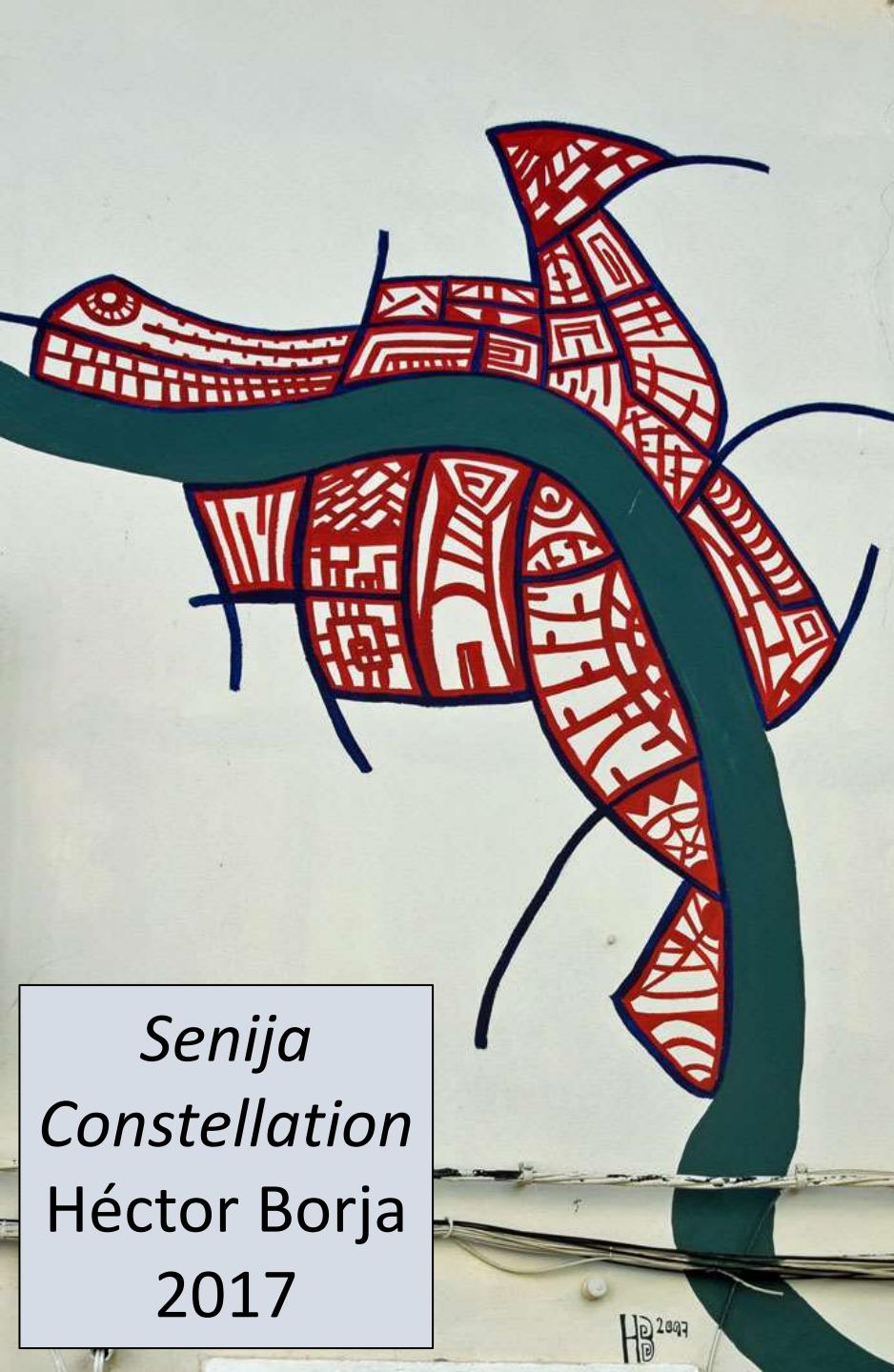
*The Good Shepherd*  
Toni Marí

Senija, Alicante

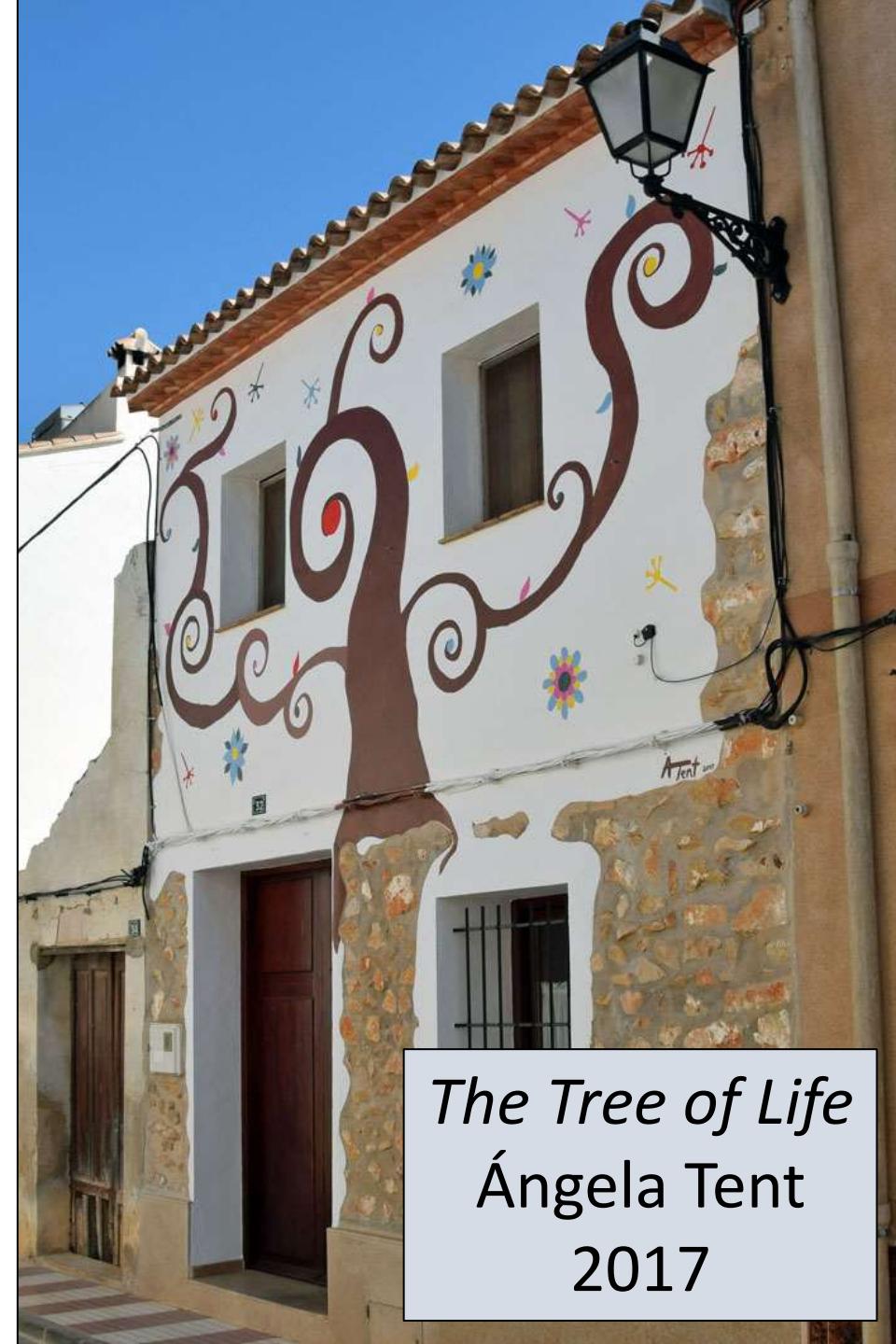


MOS.  
MUSEU OBERT A SENIJA

The Open  
Museum



*Senija*  
*Constellation*  
Héctor Borja  
2017



*The Tree of Life*  
Ángela Tent  
2017

*The Sparrow*  
José Martínez  
2018

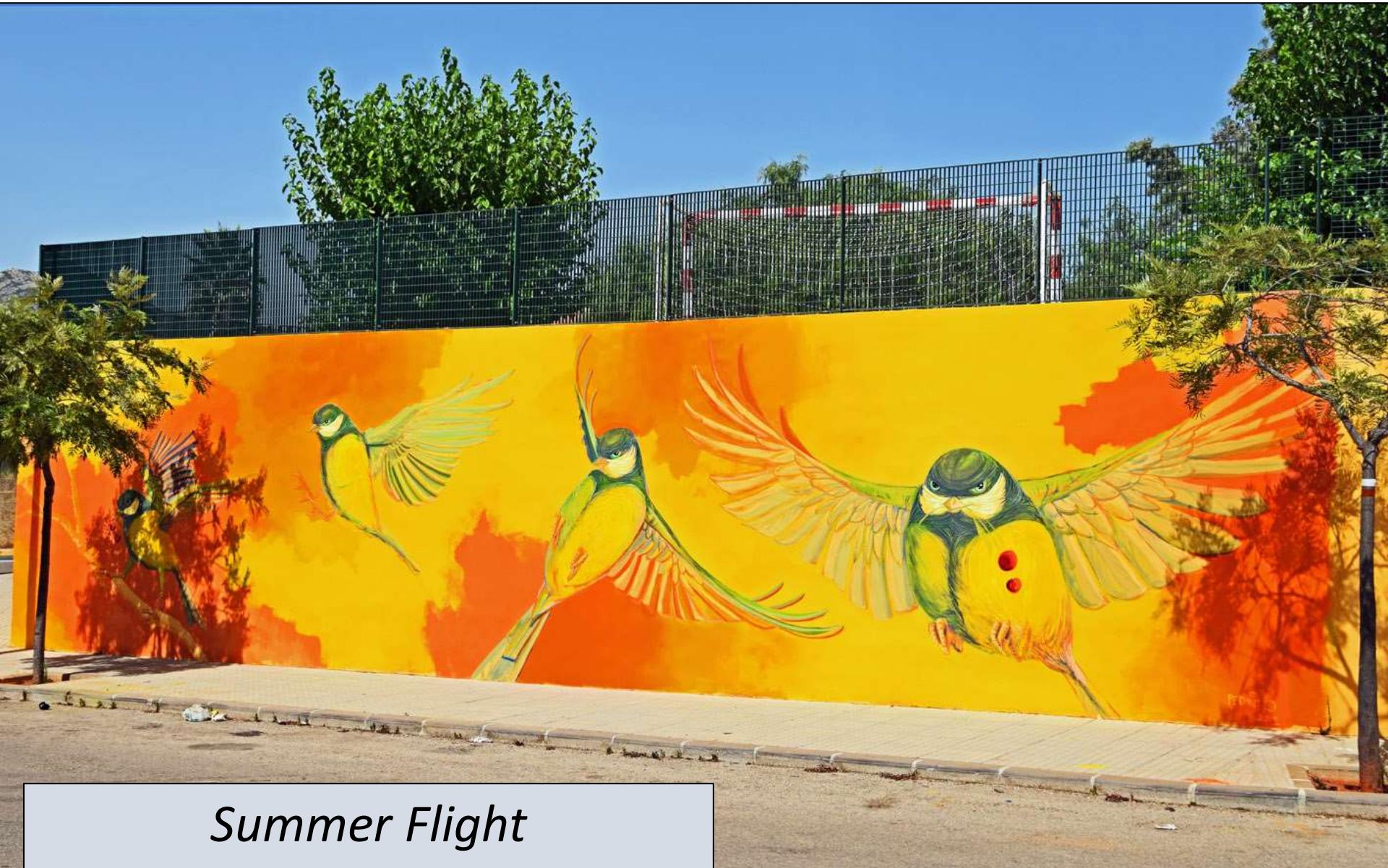


*The Neighbour*  
Xolaka  
(Ángel Caballero)  
2018



*Equilibrium*  
Amparo Saera, 2018





*Summer Flight*  
Sofía del Mar Delgado, 2019



*Gold*  
Pedro A Prados  
2019



*The Little Girl  
and the Hoopoe,*  
Julieta, 2022

*Encourage Pedalling*  
Tardor, 2023



*Encourage Pedalling*  
Tardor, 2023



*Encourage Pedalling*  
Tardor, 2023



# Benigembla

Alicante



Benigembla



*Refugees*  
Tardor Roselló  
2019



*Mules*  
Tardor  
2020



*Flight from  
The Nest,  
Tardor, 2021*



*Flight from The  
Nest, Tardor*



*Sowing the Seed  
of Change*  
Tardor, 2022



*In Memory of  
the Riuraus,  
Xolaka  
(Ángel Caballero)  
2019*



*Allegory*  
Xolaka  
2022





*King Bird*  
Malpegados  
(Pipó Zúñiga)  
2019



*Owl*  
HecViento  
(Hector Muñoz)  
2020



Sculptors

Toni Marí

Juan Ripollés

Mariano Benlliure

Painters

Tardor Roselló

Xolaka

Moraira

Toni Marí



Toni Marí



Toni Marí

Jávea



# Toni Marí

## Jávea





El Verger

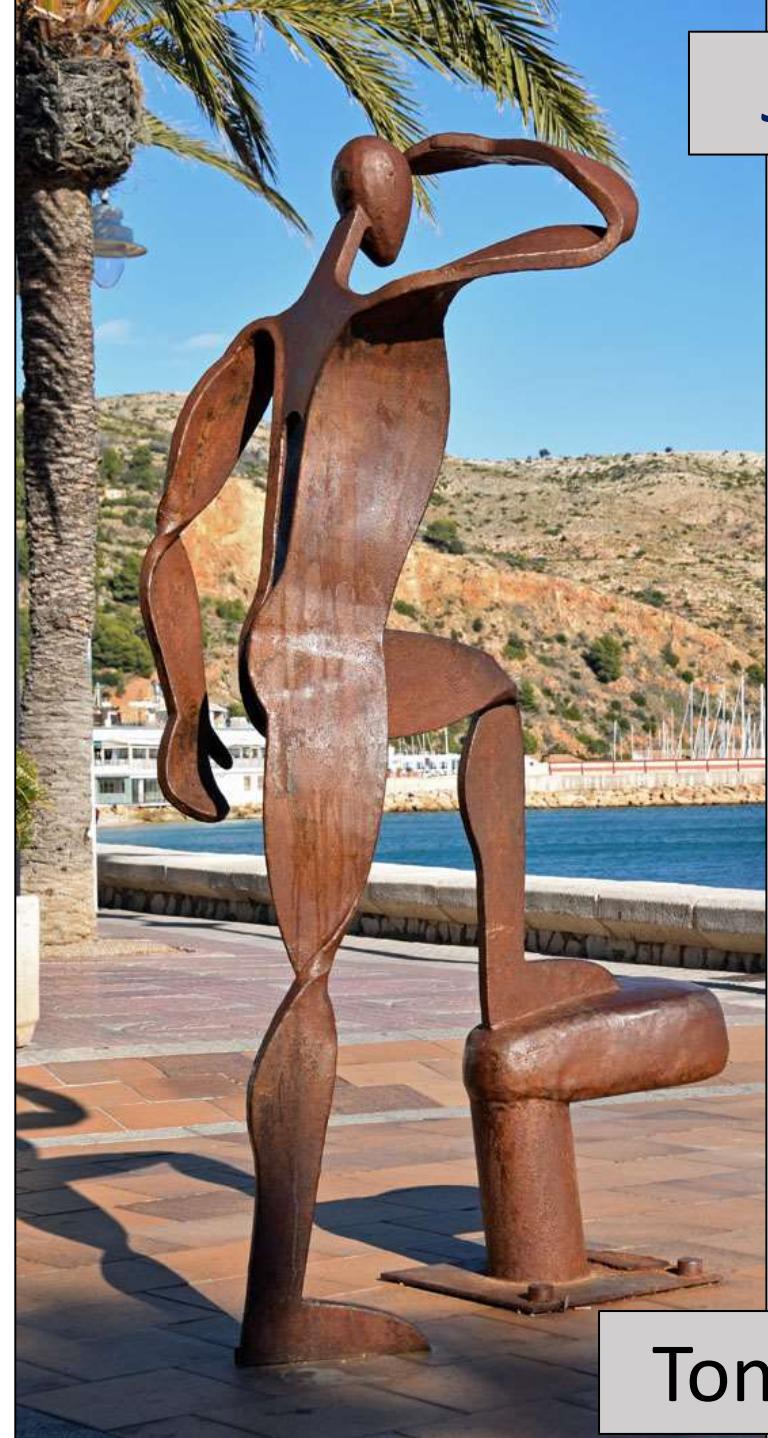
Toni Marí

Moraira



Toni Marí

Jávea



Toni Marí



Xaló

Toni Marí



Liber



Toni Marí



Toni Marí

Jávea

Dénia



Jávea



Toni Marí





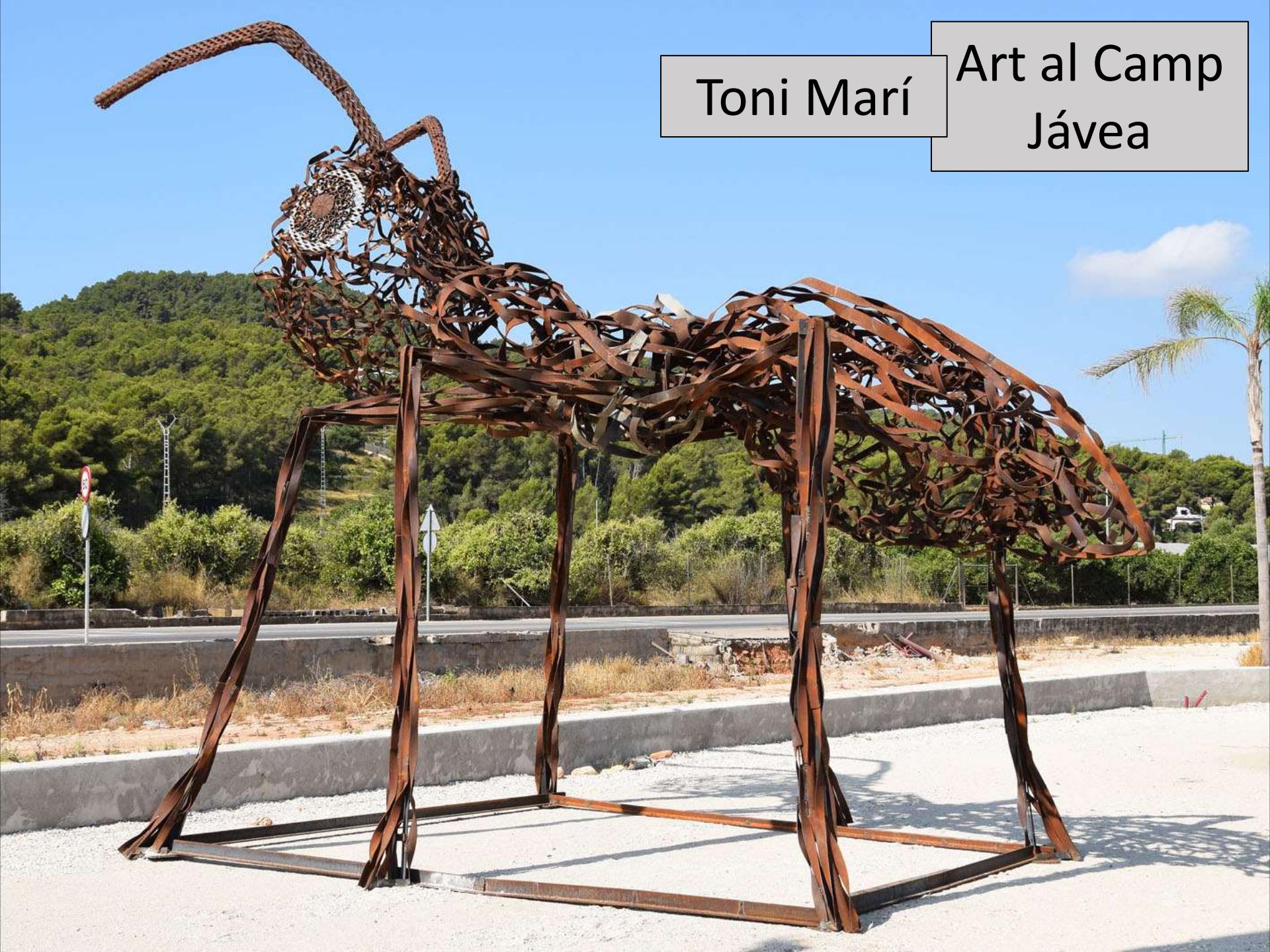
Art al Camp  
Jávea

# Toni Marí



# Toni Marí





Toni Marí

Art al Camp  
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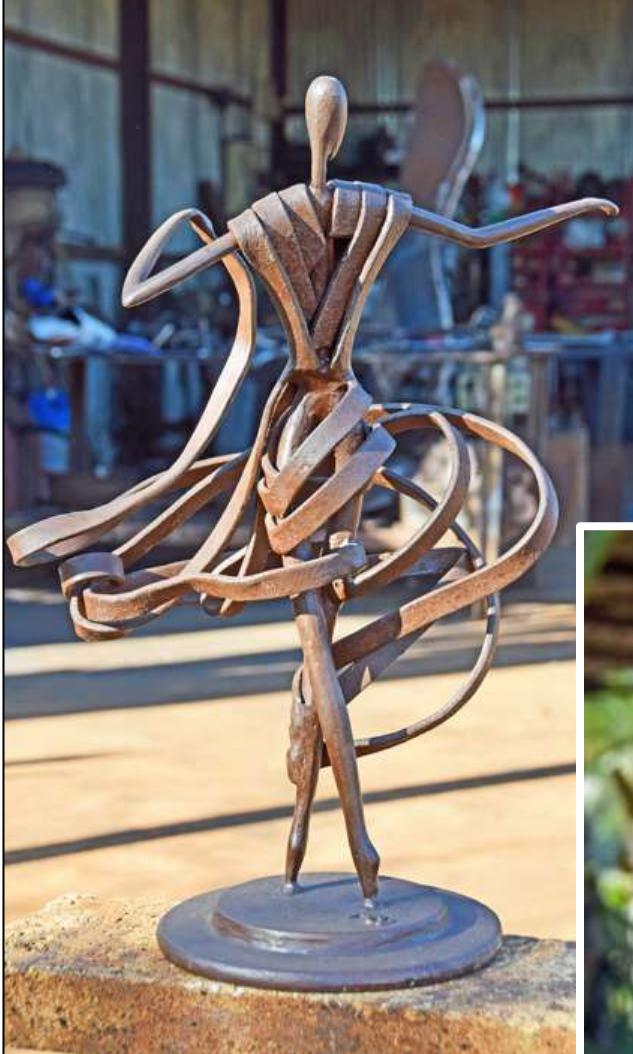
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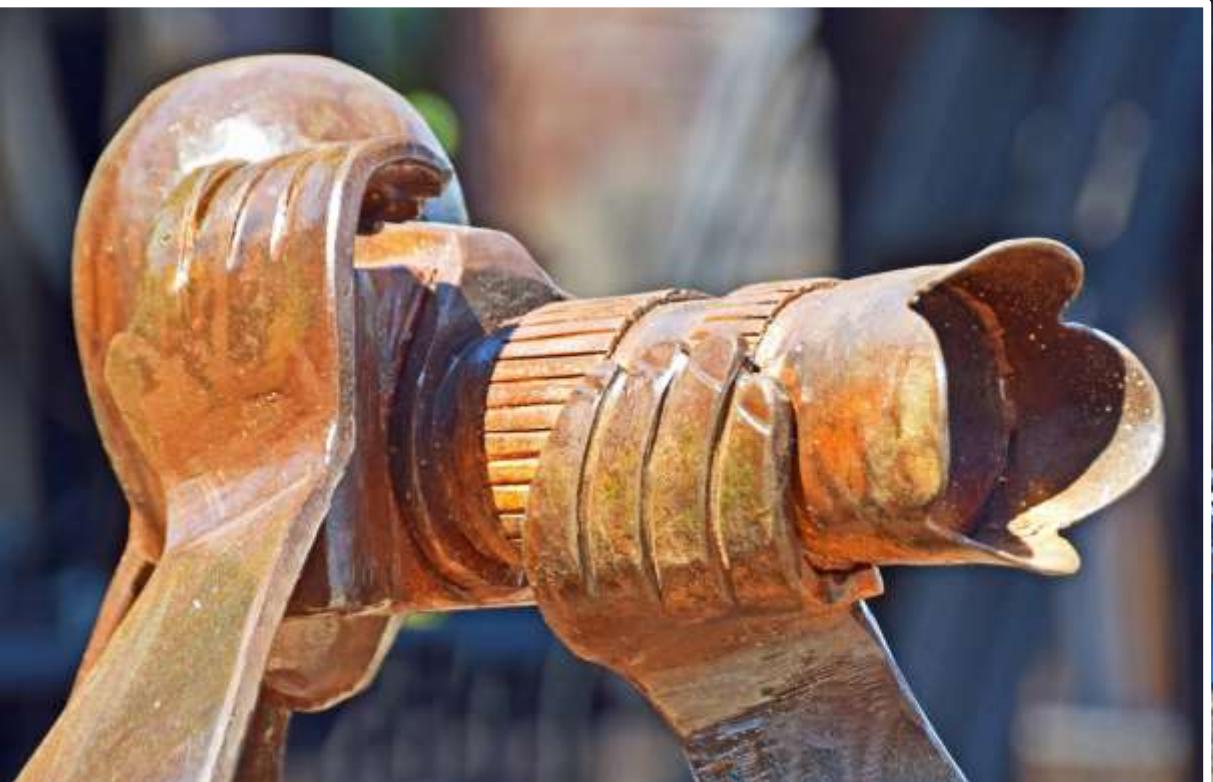
# Toni Mari's workshop





# Toni Marí's workshop





Toni Marí's  
workshop



Castellón

*The Thinker*  
Juan Ripollés  
2010



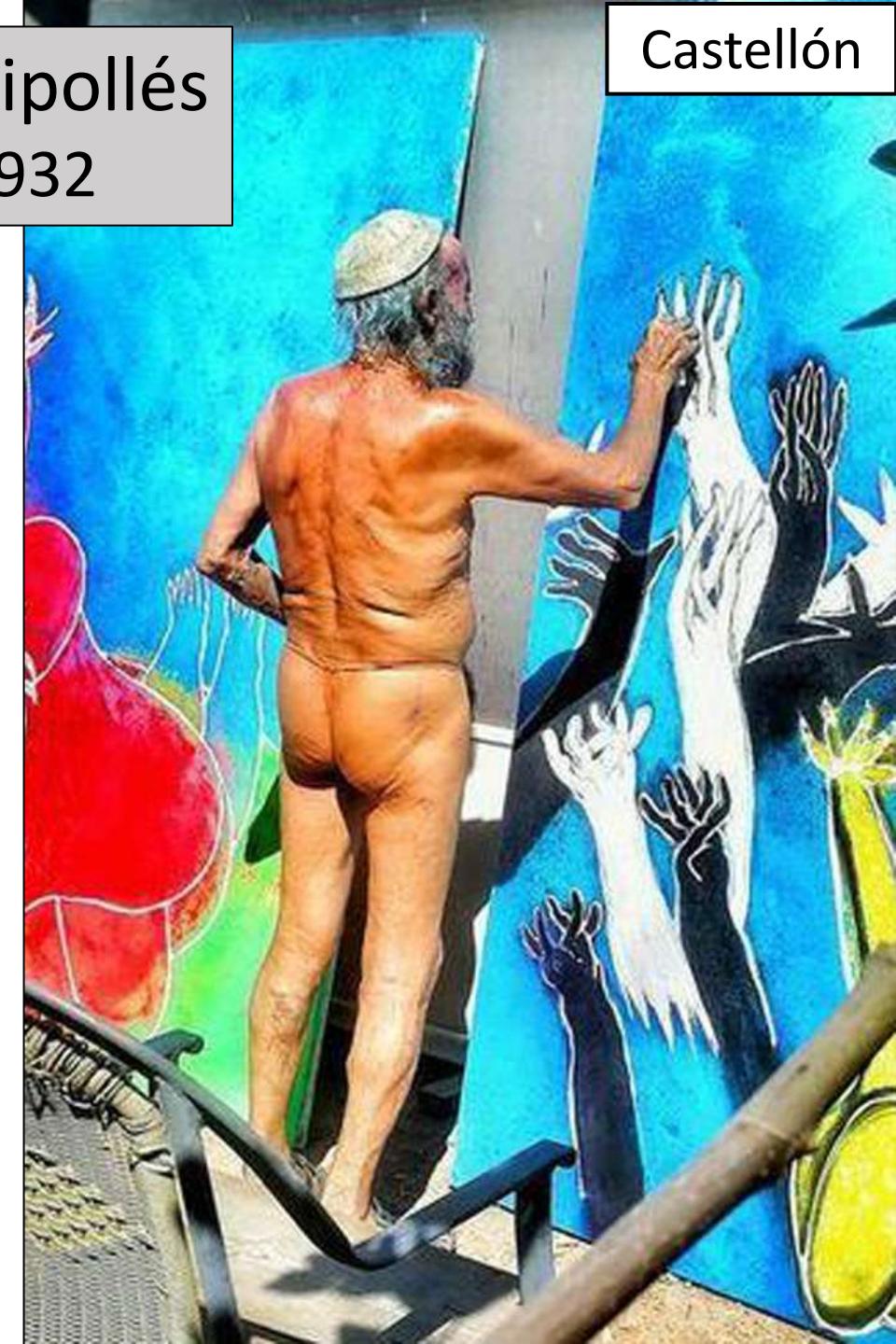
Castellón

*Temptation of Eve*  
Juan Ripollés, 2010



Juan Ripollés  
b.1932

Castellón



Castellón



*Les Cordeliers*  
Juan Ripollés  
2002



# *The Sorcerer's Game*

## Juan Ripollés

Castellón



# Castellón



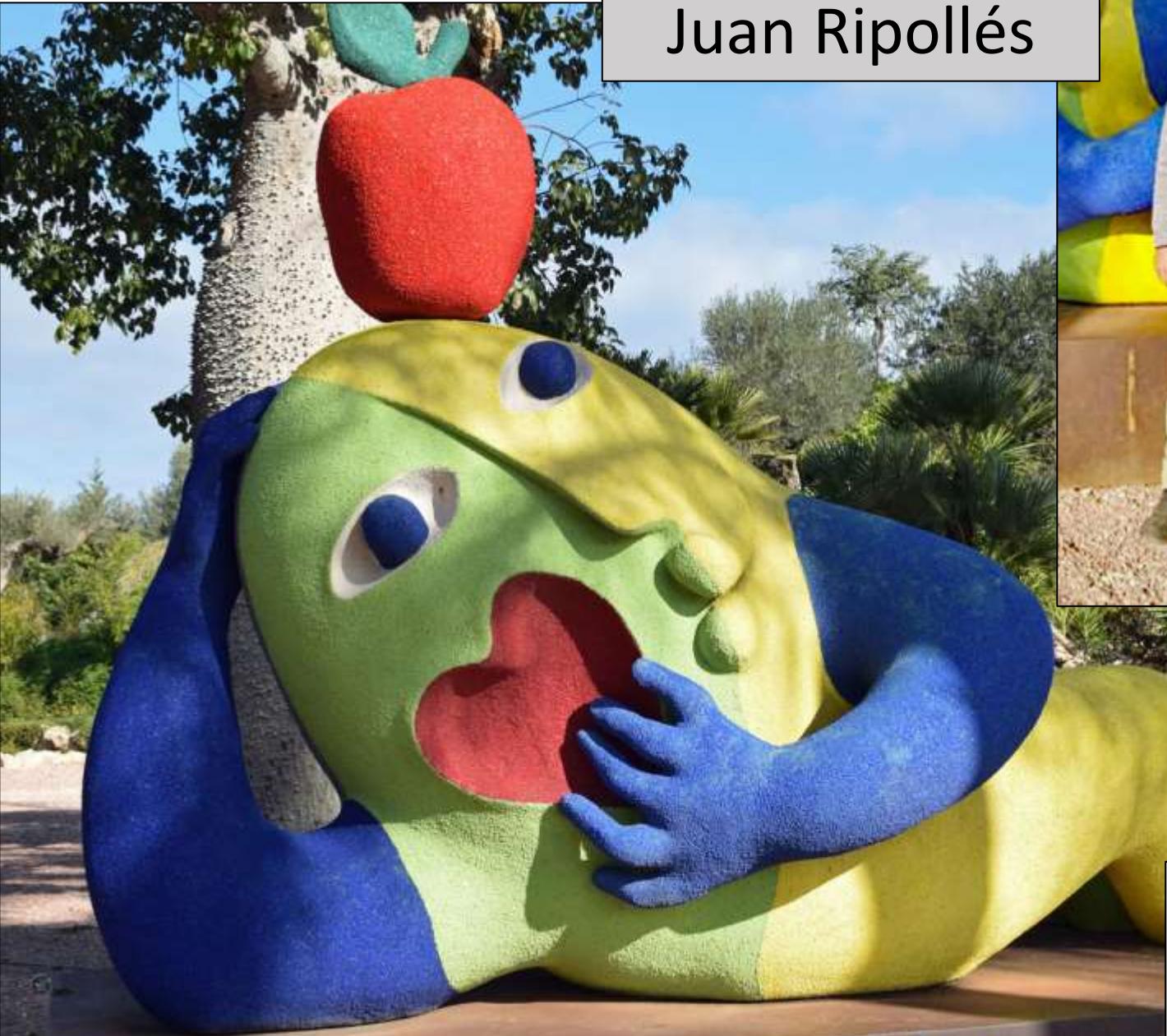
Valencia

Juan Ripollés  
*Homenaje al Libro*  
2006





Toni Marí &  
Juan Ripollés



Art al Camp  
Jávea



Art al Camp  
Jávea

# Art al Camp Jávea



Mariano  
Benlliure  
1862-1947

Museu  
Belles Arts  
Valencia

Self-portrait



Alfonso

XIII

1906

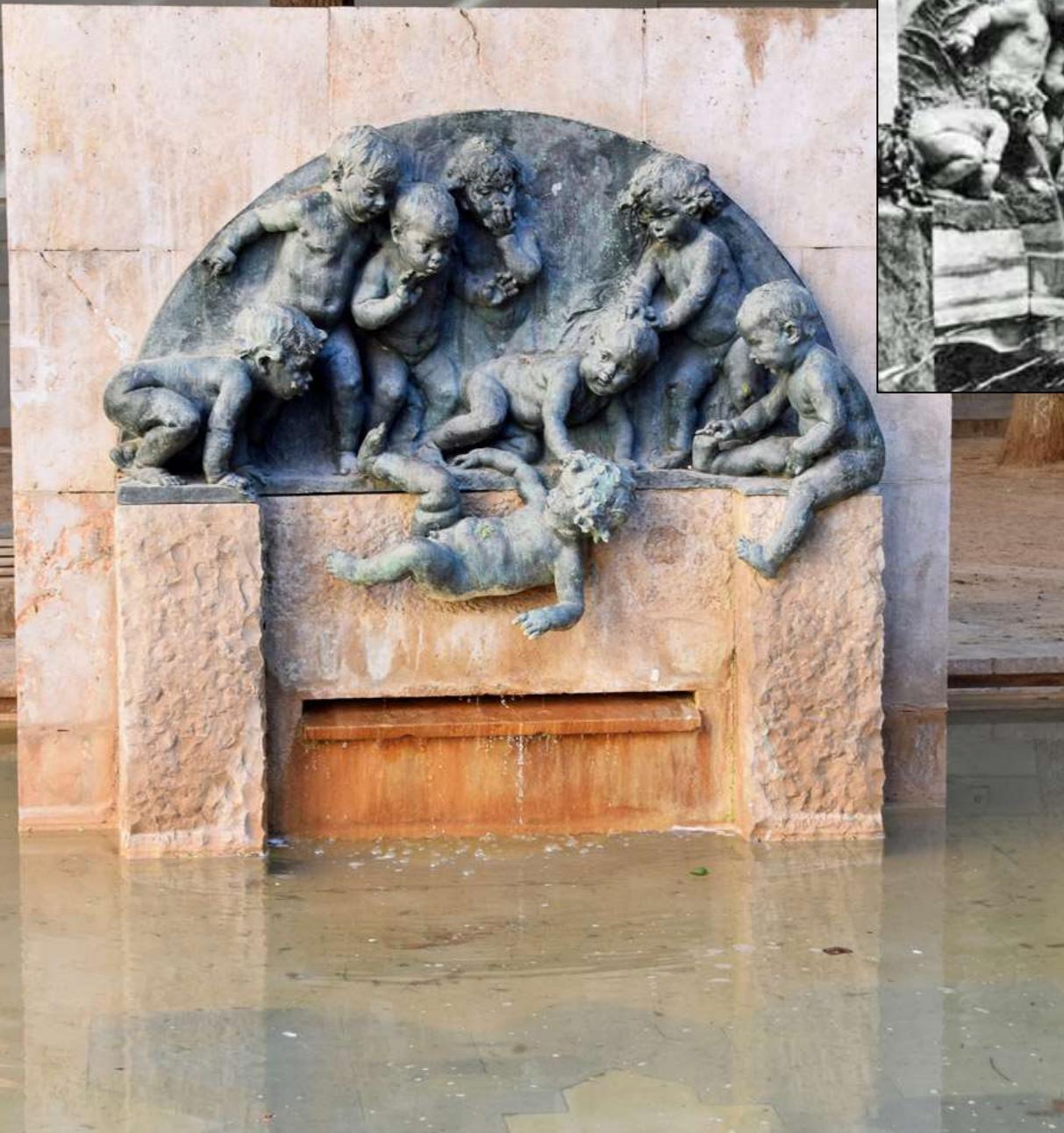
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Victoria Eugenie  
of Battenberg

Mariano  
Benlliure



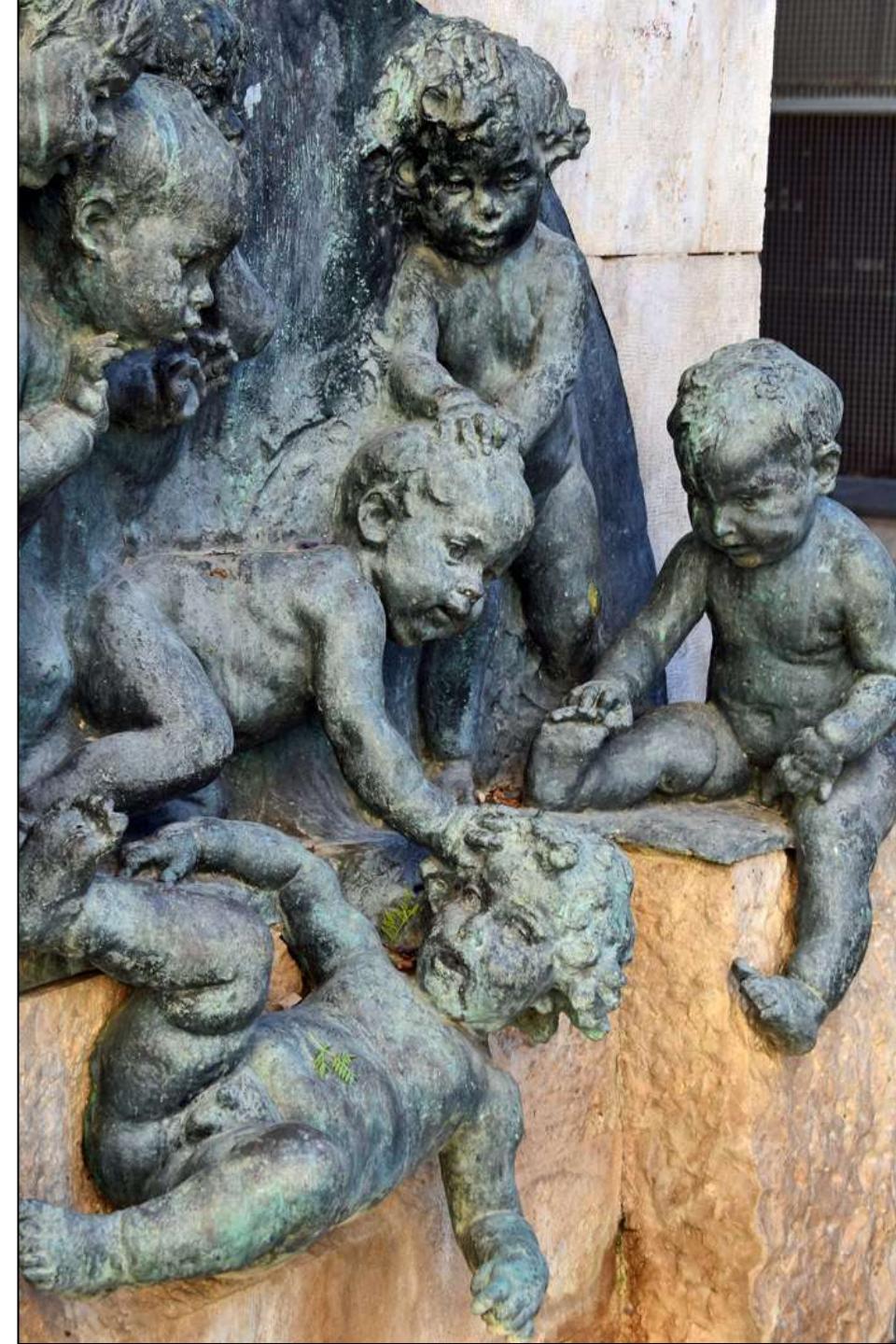
Valencia



*Fuente de los  
Niños, 1911*

Mariano  
Benlliure

Valencia



# Jusepe de Rivera (1591-1652)

## 1908, Valencia



Mariano  
Benlliure

Valencia

# Dante's Inferno 1900

Mariano Benlliure





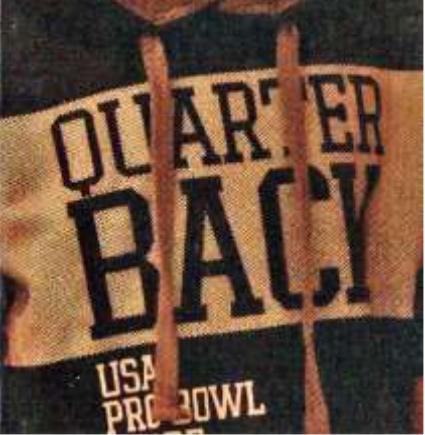
Mariano Benlliure

Dante's Inferno,  
1900

Marqués  
de Campo  
1908  
Valencia

Mariano Benlliure





Tardor  
Roselló



Tardor Roselló  
b.1996

Jesús Pobre

2019



TARDOR  
GRAFFITI

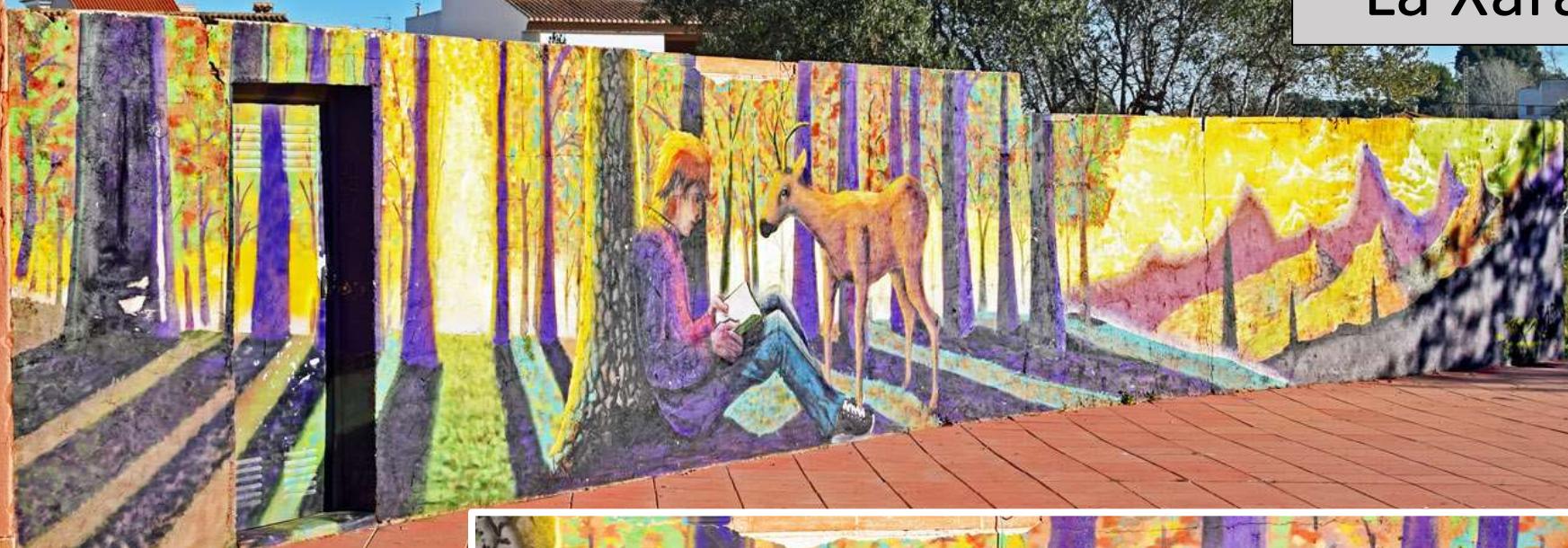




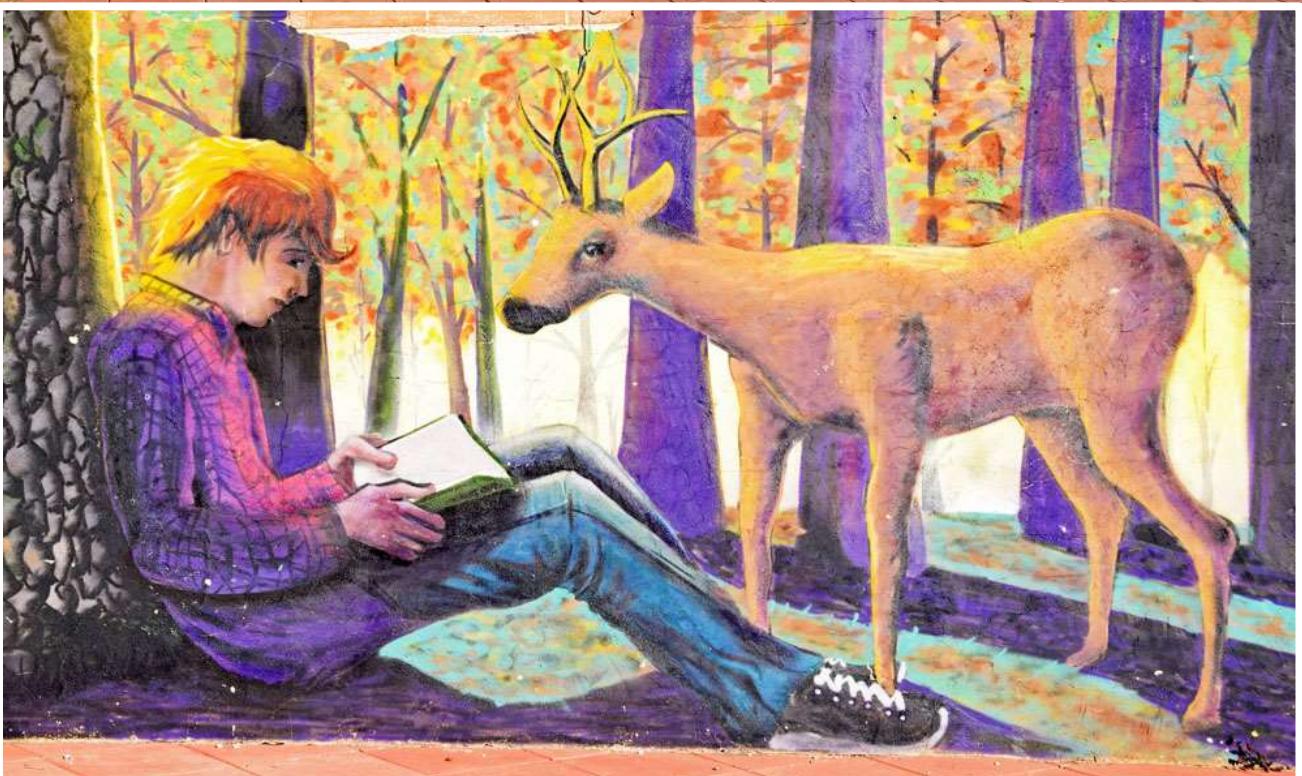
Tardor Roselló



La Xara



Tardor



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Tardor

Ondara



Tardor



Dénia

Tardor

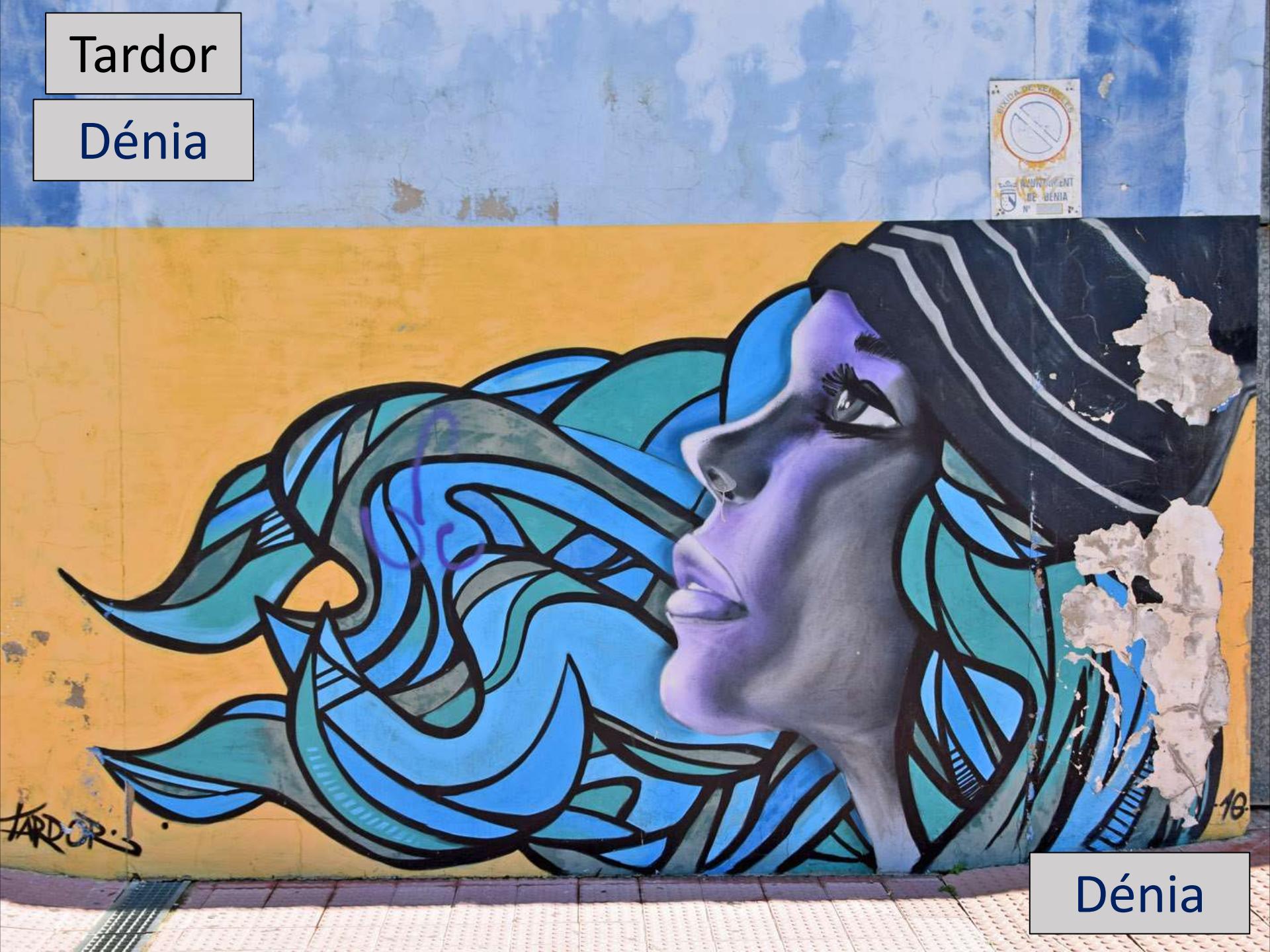
2021



Dénia

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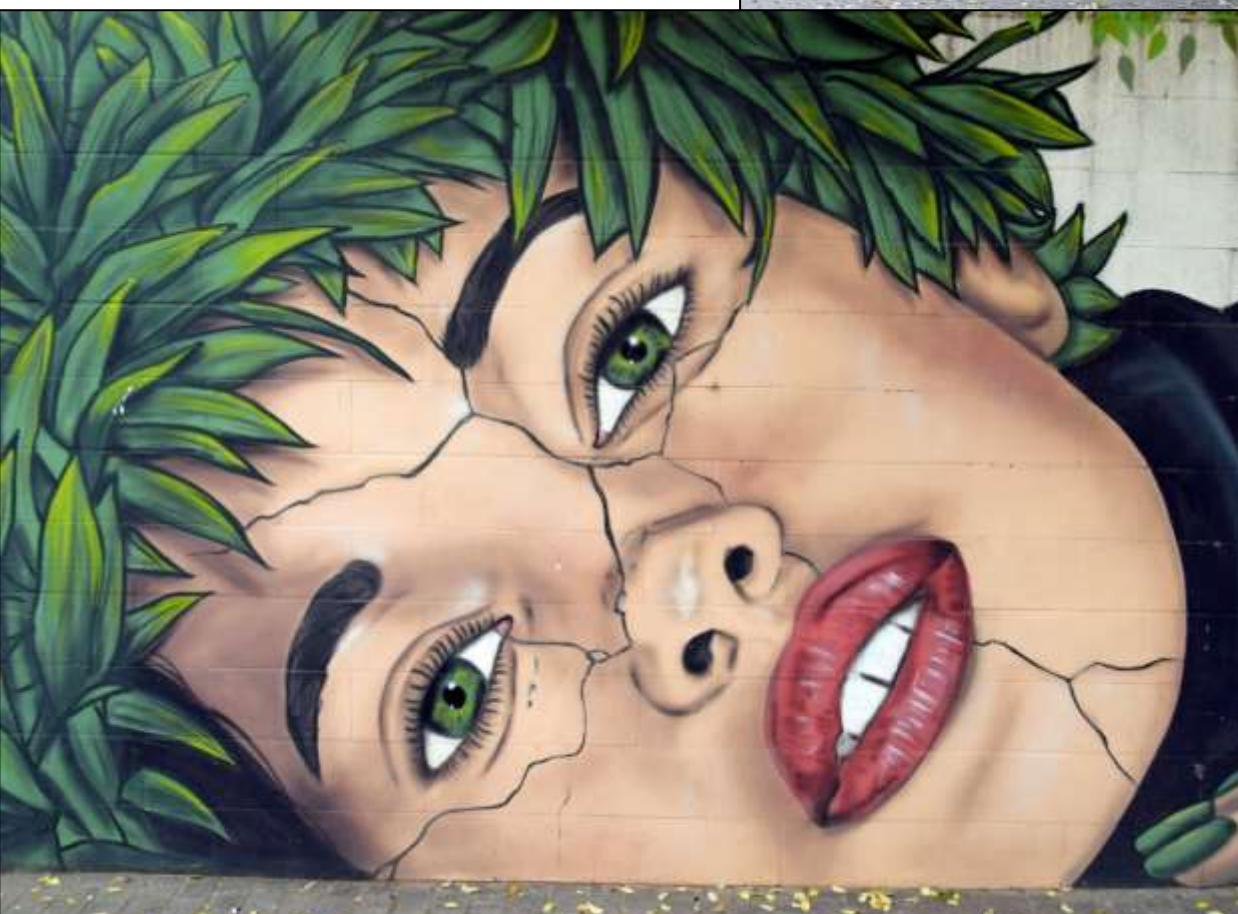


Dénia

Tardor



Dénia



# Xolaka (Ángel Caballero)



Dénia



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Morella  
Castellón



# Morella



# Onda Castellón



Onda



# Altea, Alicante

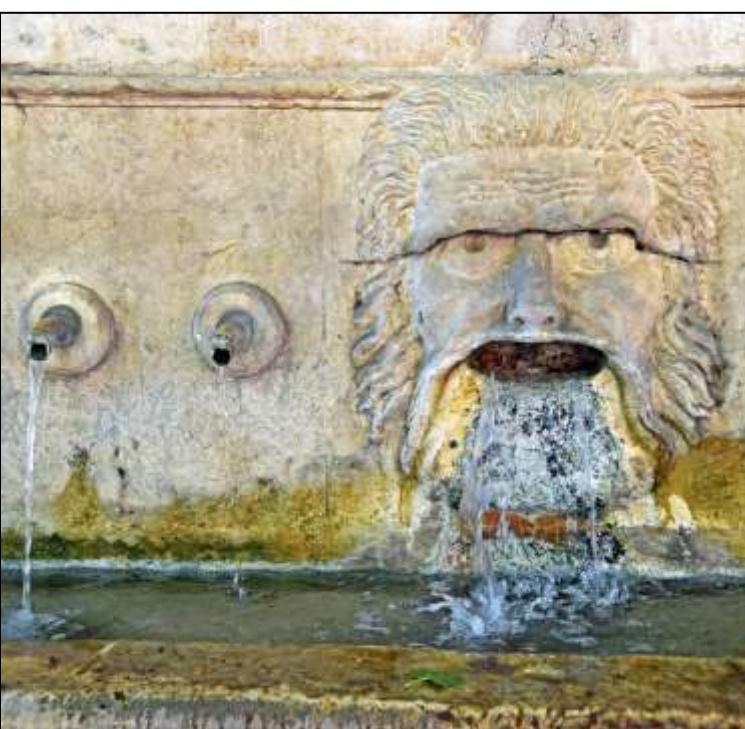


Altea





# Xàtiva Valencia



Castillo  
Menor



Castillo  
Mayor



Xátiva

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# Castillo Menor



# Castillo Mayor

Xátiva

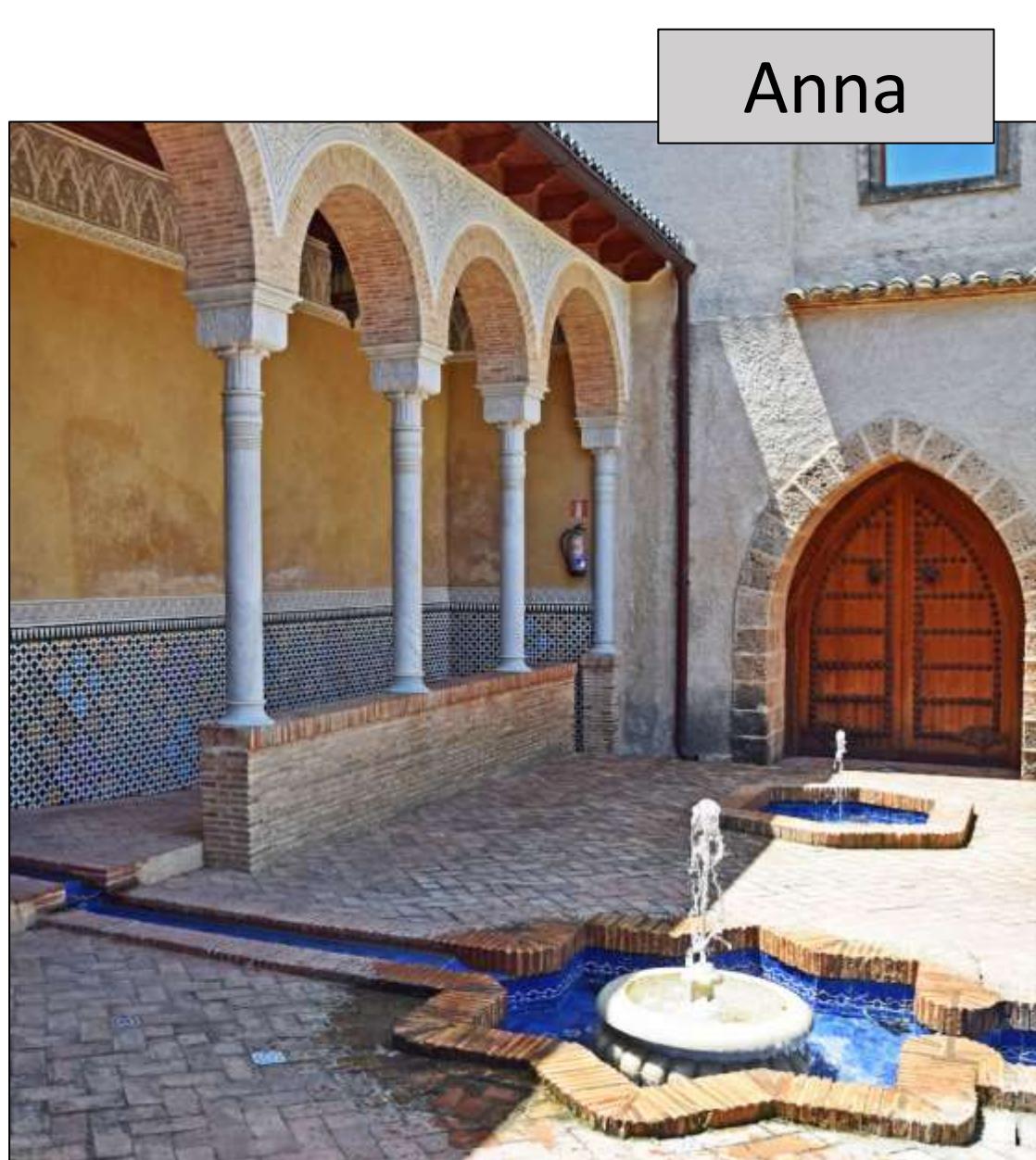


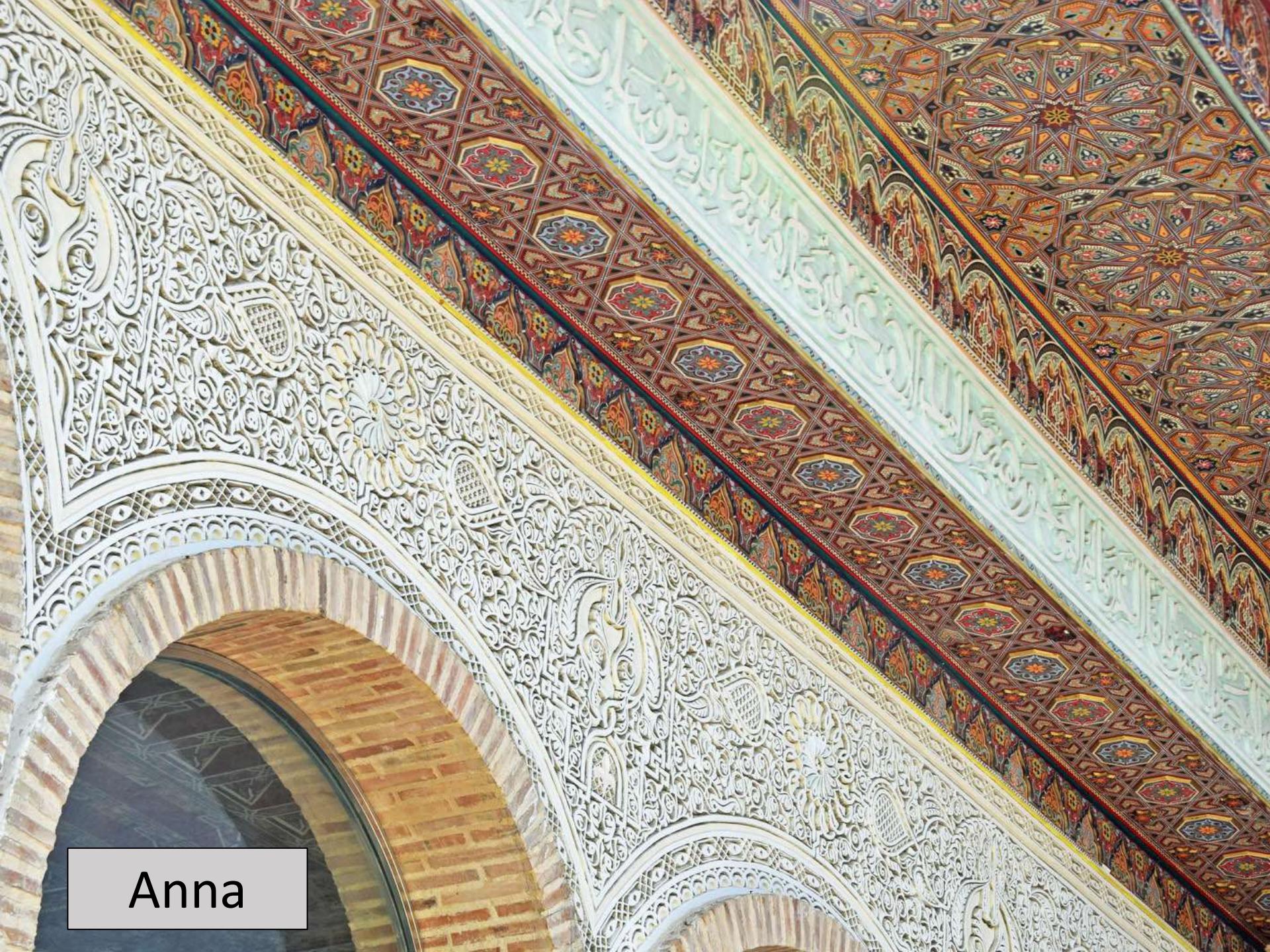
Anna  
Valencia

Castle-Palace  
of the Counts  
of Cervellón

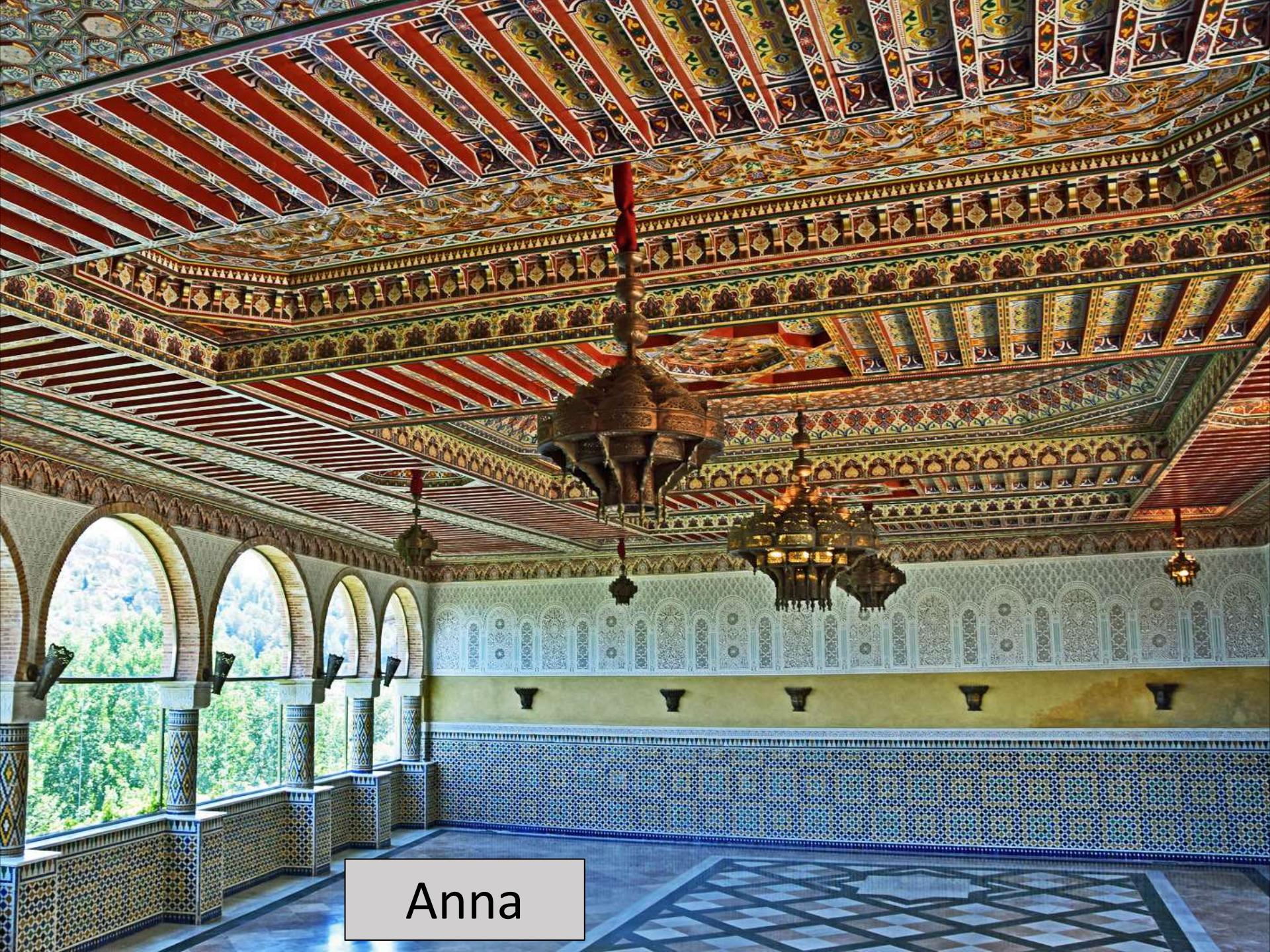


Anna



A photograph capturing the intricate interior decorations of a mosque. The ceiling and upper walls are adorned with elaborate white stucco carvings forming geometric patterns and floral motifs. A prominent feature is a decorative band of colorful tiles in shades of red, blue, and gold, featuring a repeating octagonal floral design. Below this, a series of arches made of light-colored stone or wood frame a view of a brick-lined corridor. The overall atmosphere is one of rich, traditional Islamic architectural beauty.

Anna



Anna

Alcoy, Alicante

José Gonsalvo, 1967



# Alcoy



Alcoy



Alcoy



Granada

Alhambra, Court  
of the Lions



Granada



Alcoy

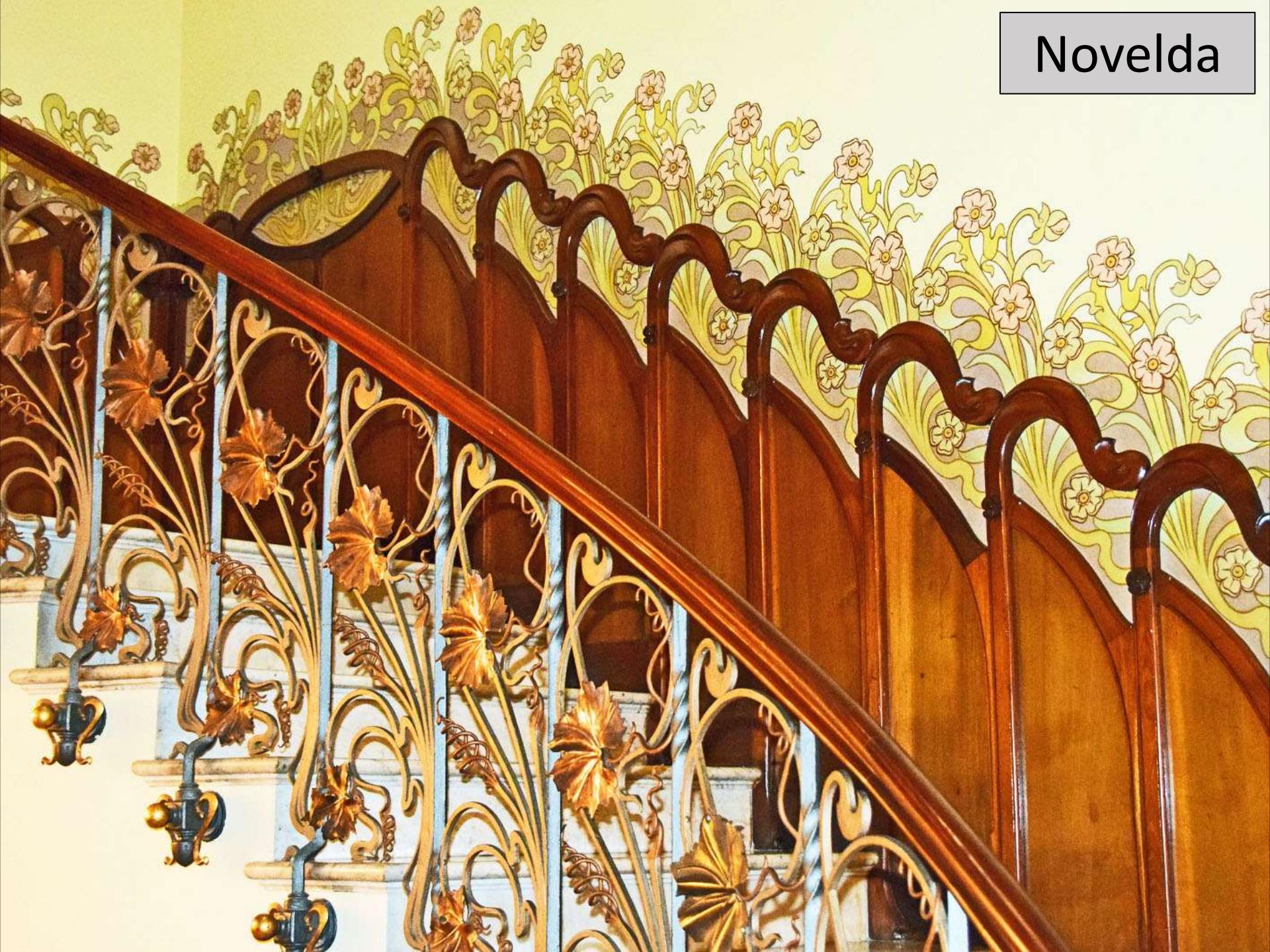


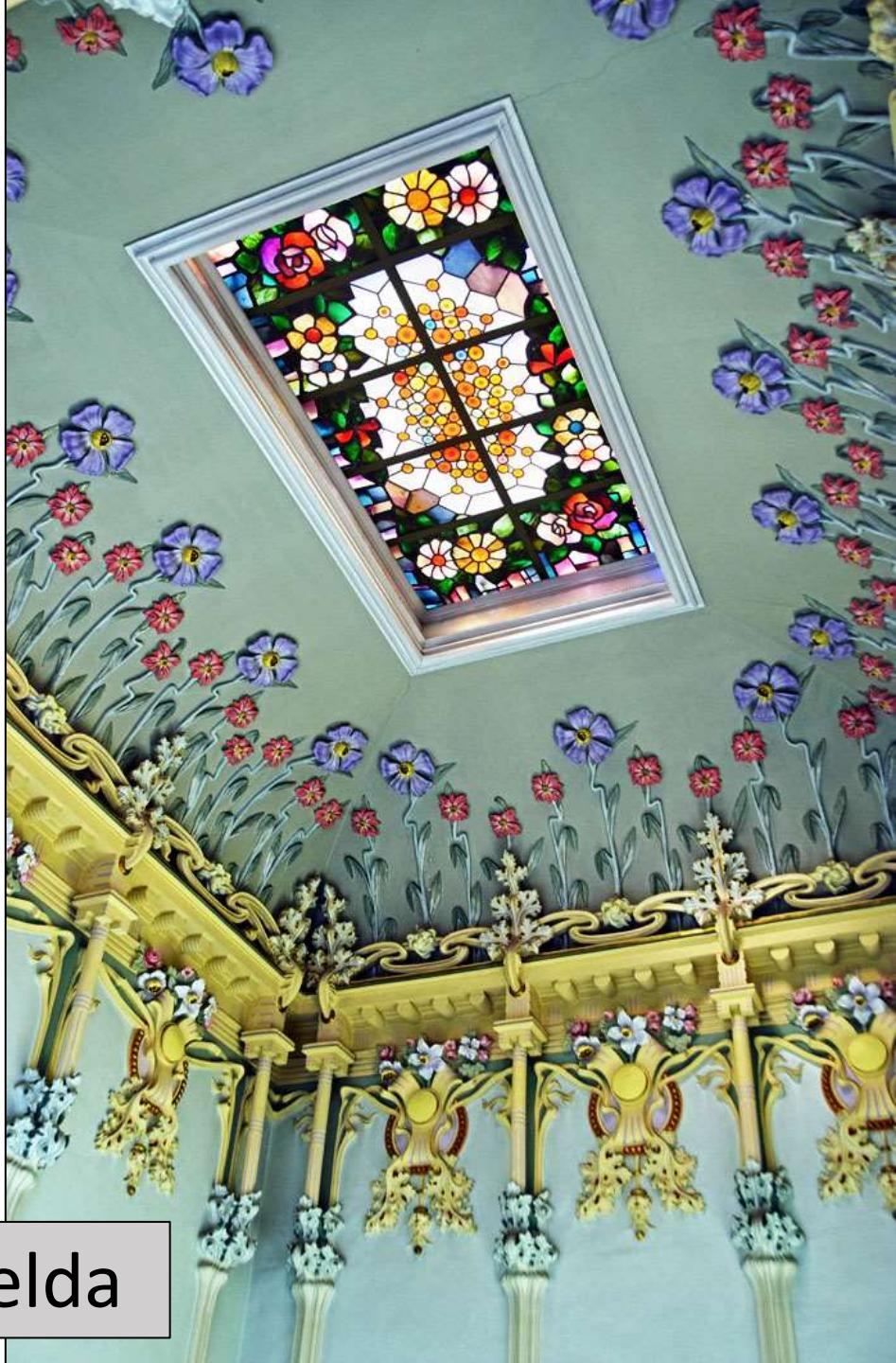
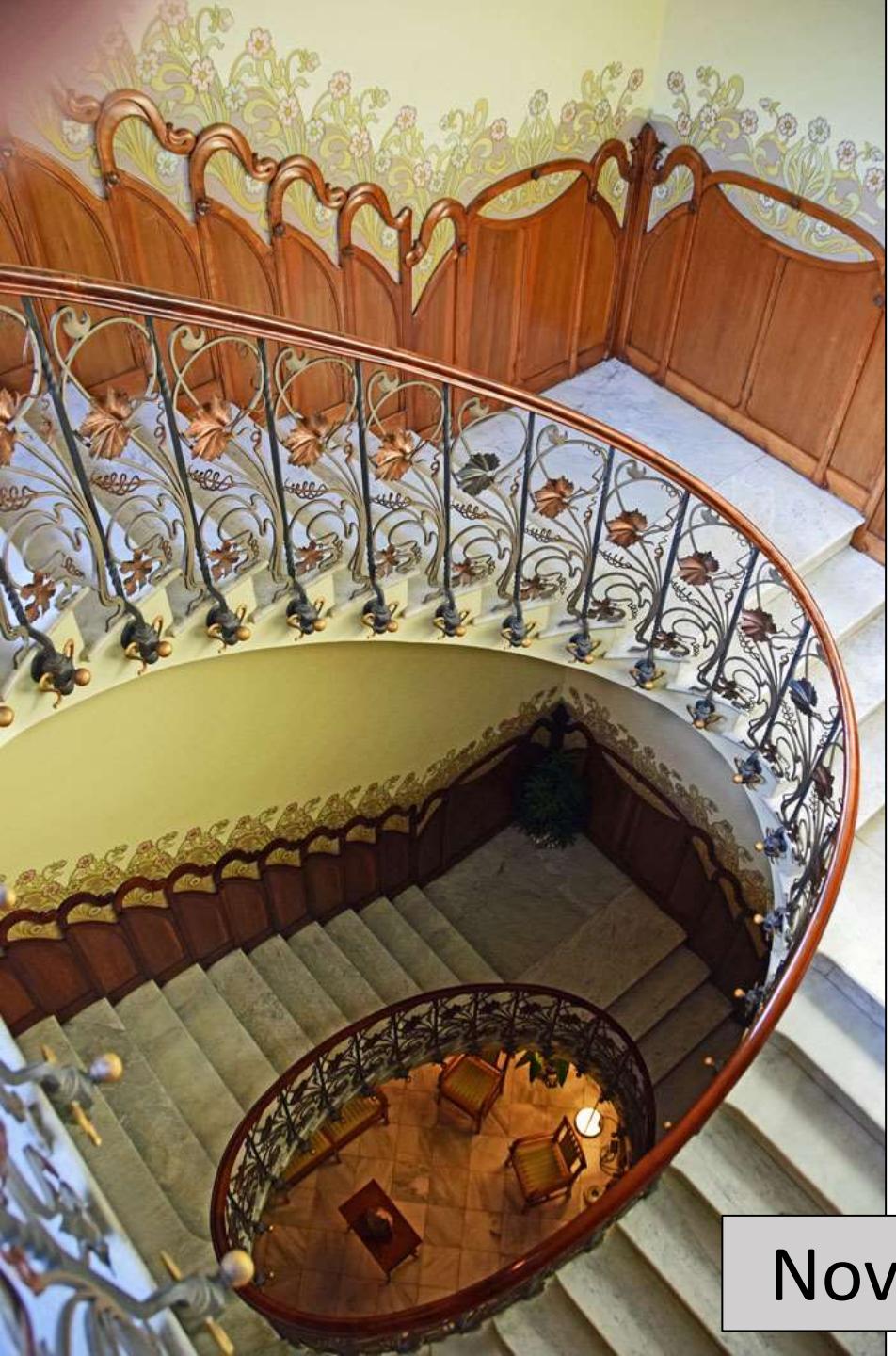


Novelda  
Alicante



Novelda





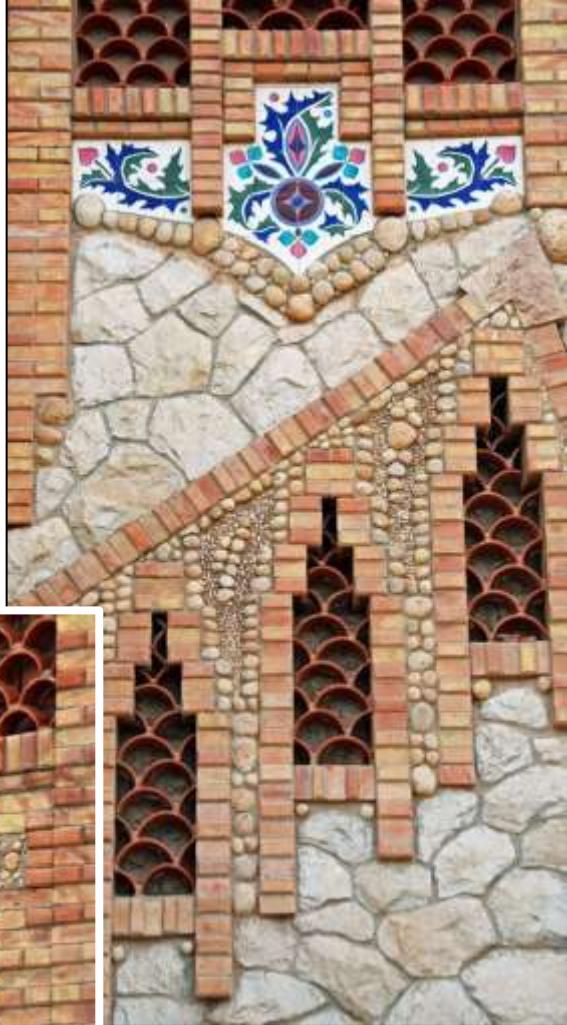
Novelda

# Santuario de Santa María Magdalena 1919-1946



Novelda

# Novelda





Orihuela  
Alicante



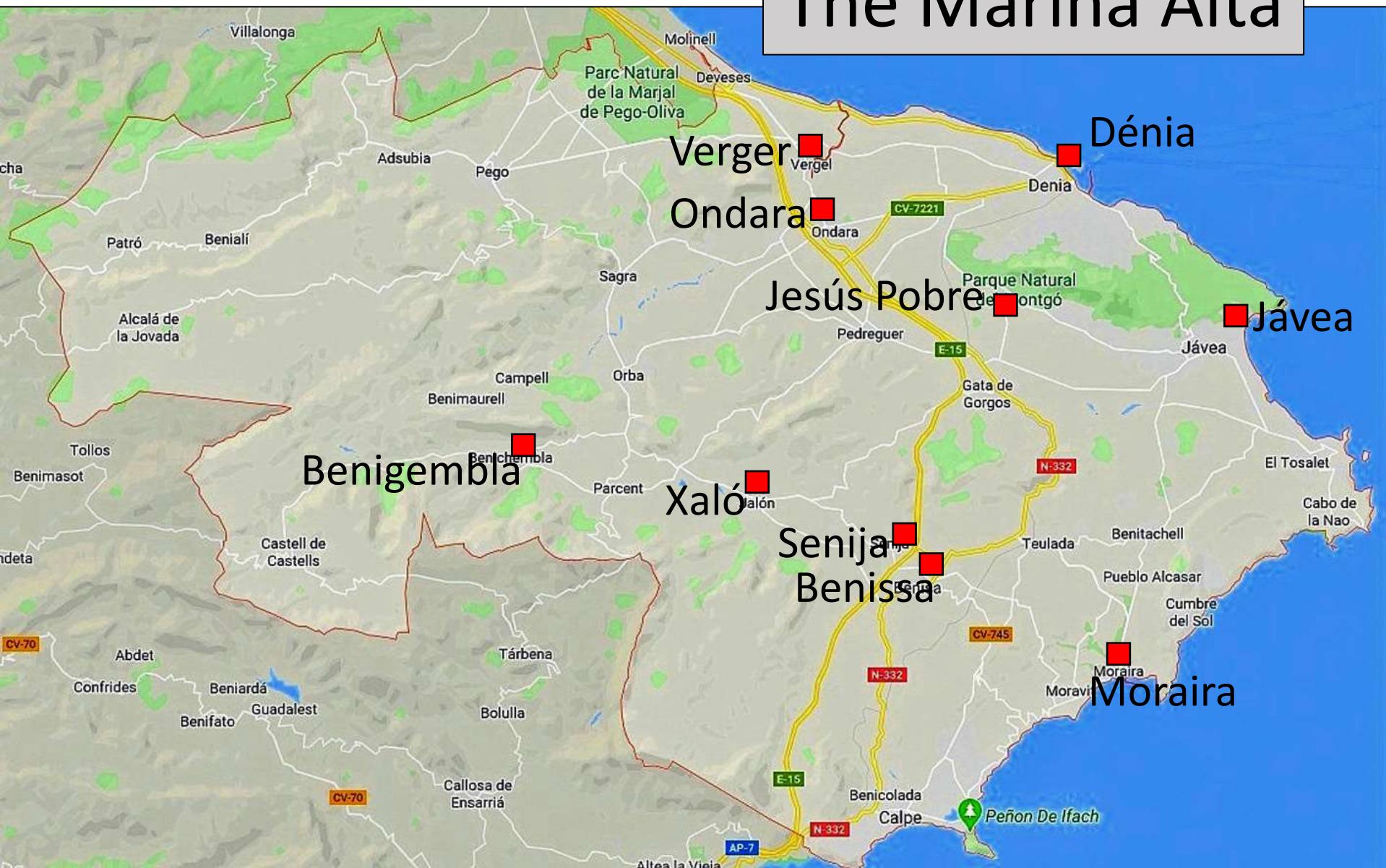


Orihuela

*Caballero Cubierto  
(Covered Gentleman)*

by Pedro Jordán, 2011

# The Marina Alta



# Dénia



Dénia





Dénia



# Dénia



Monumento al Clima

# Remembering Gauguin María Eugenia Beato, 2009

Dénia



Ojalá llegue el día en que les a desaparecer a los bueyos  
& vivir de éxtasis, de tallos de maíz.

Dénia

Tribute to Umberto  
Masetti, 2005



# Dénia



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EXCEPTO PERSONAS CON  
DIVISIÓN FUNCIONAL

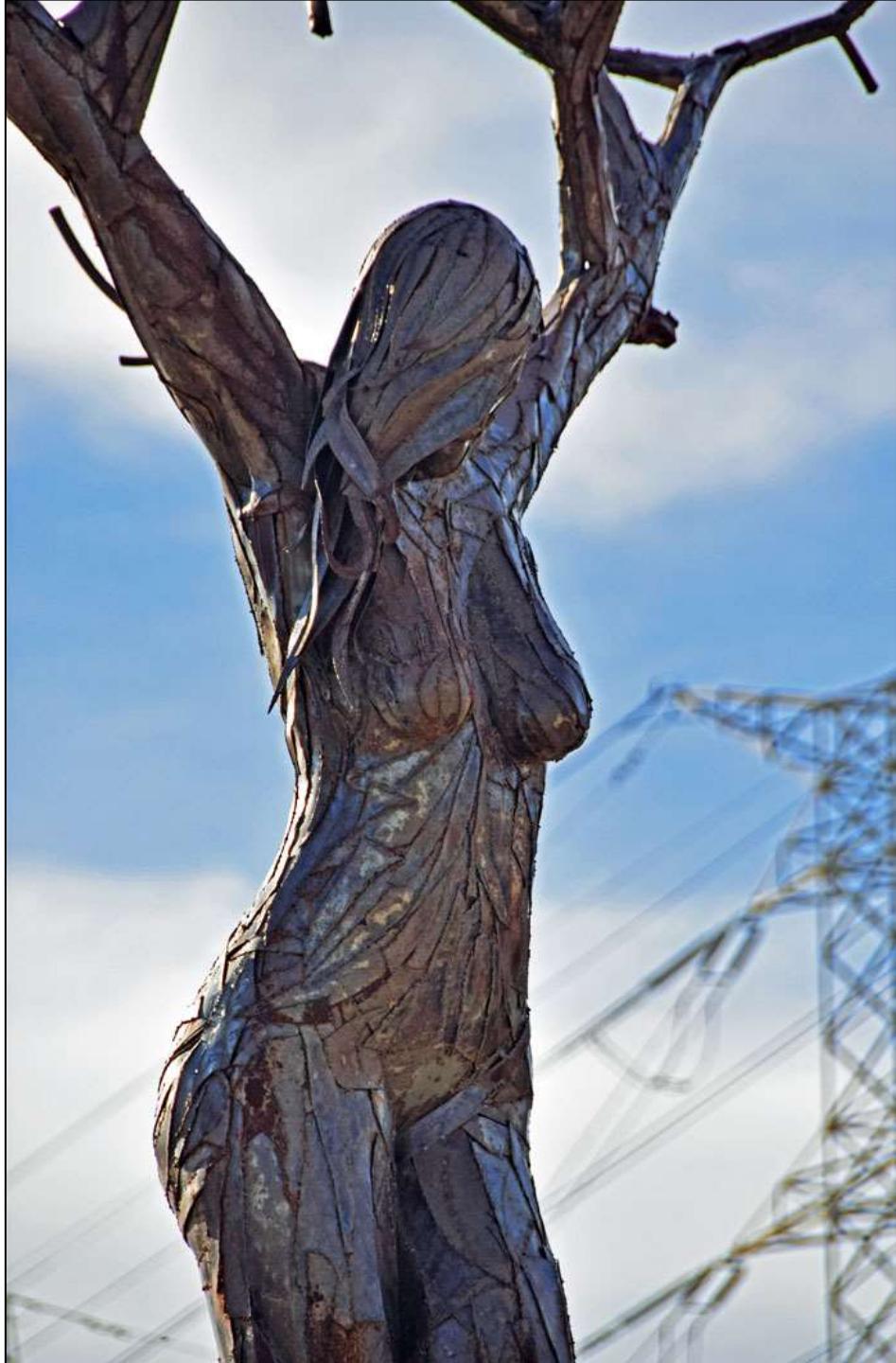
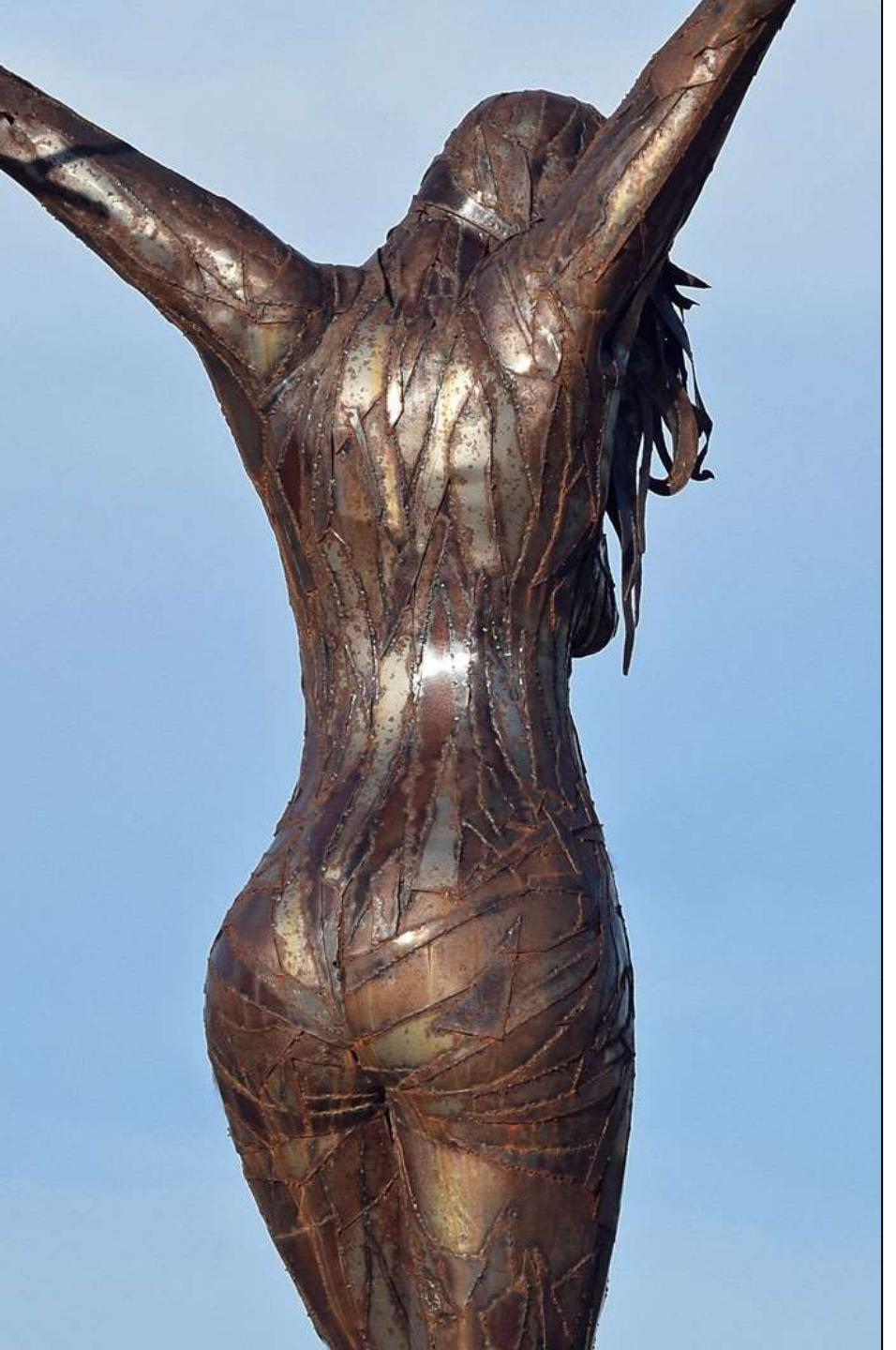


Dénia



# El Verger





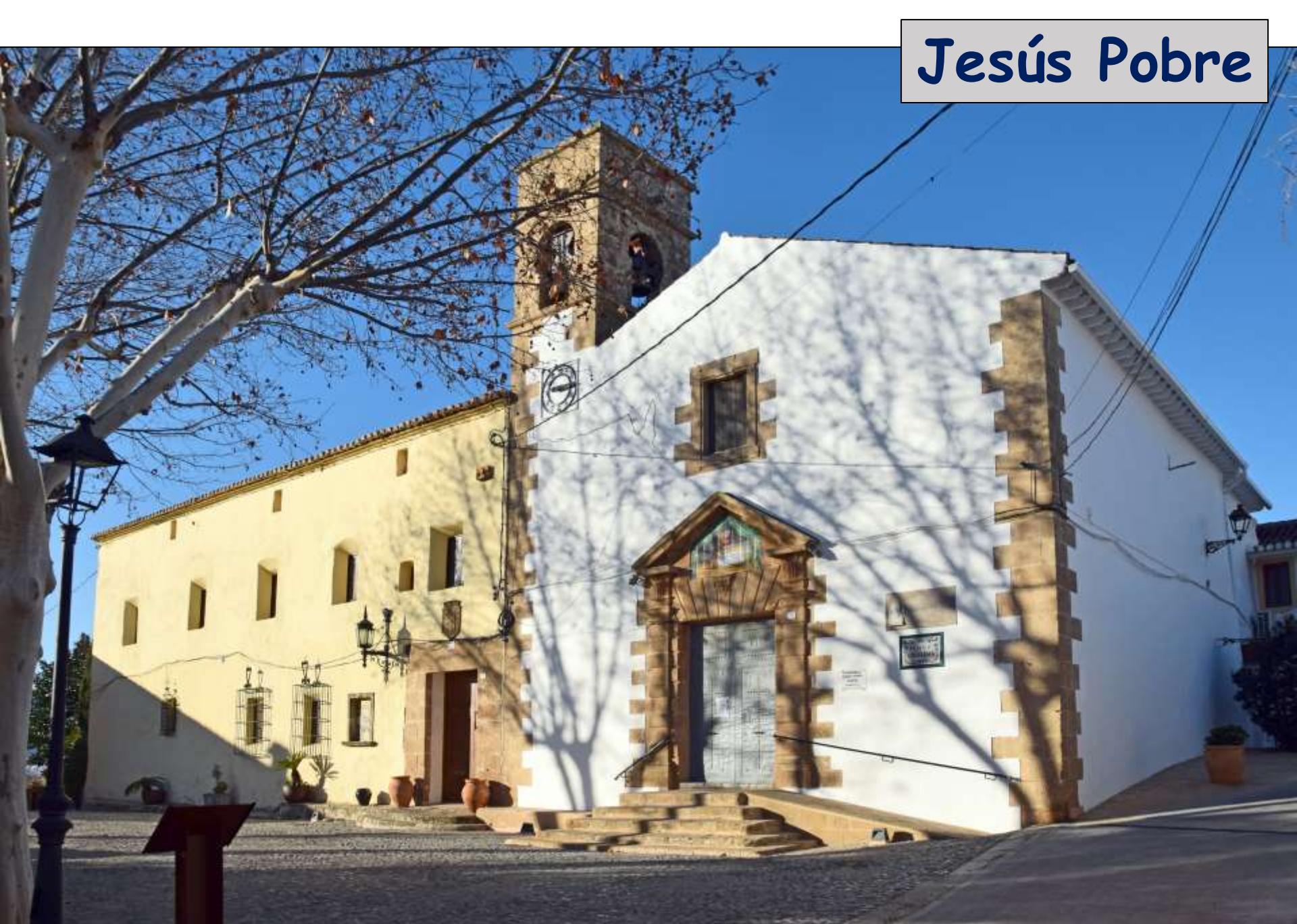
Ondara



Ondara  
Elia  
Masanet



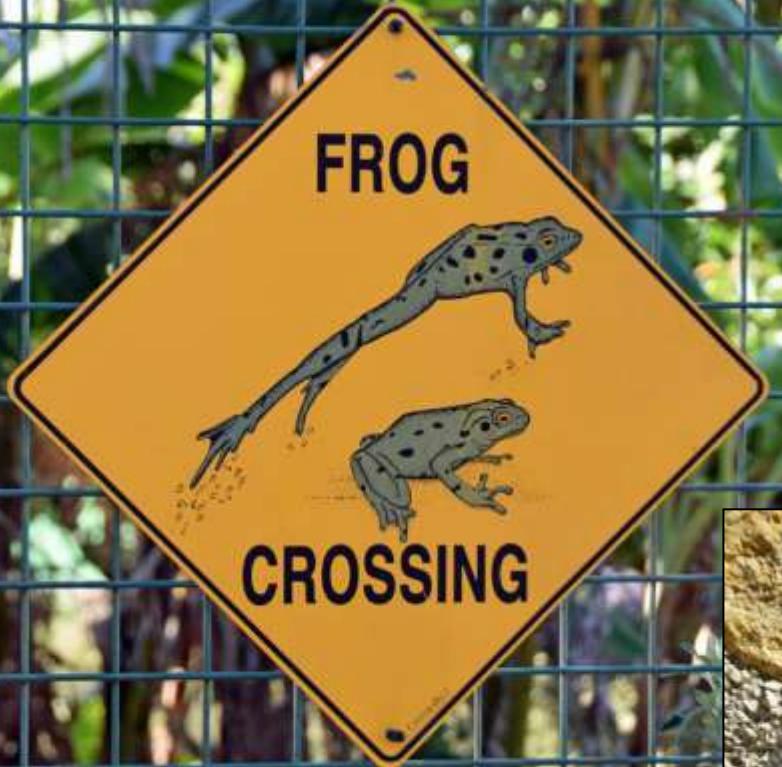
# Jesús Pobre



# Jesús Pobre

Before and  
After, 2009





Jesús Pobre



# Jesús Pobre



#Diversitat

JesúsPobre



Xaló

IEREM UNA BANDA,  
ARA JA SOM UN EQUIP!

GRÀCIES LUIS I DIMITRI

*"We were a group.  
We are now a team.  
Thank you, Luis and Dimitri"*



Xaló

Lois Jansen



EL BALL D'ÀNIMES.

En alguna altra dimensió.  
D'alguna altra vida.  
D'un altre espai.  
Sense temps ni brúixola.  
Dos ànimes es miren.  
Dos ànimes ballen,  
tocant-se, cegues.  
Desitjant-se lliures.

Júlia Vela.

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## Jaime I



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Jaime I  
of Aragón



Castellón



Valencia



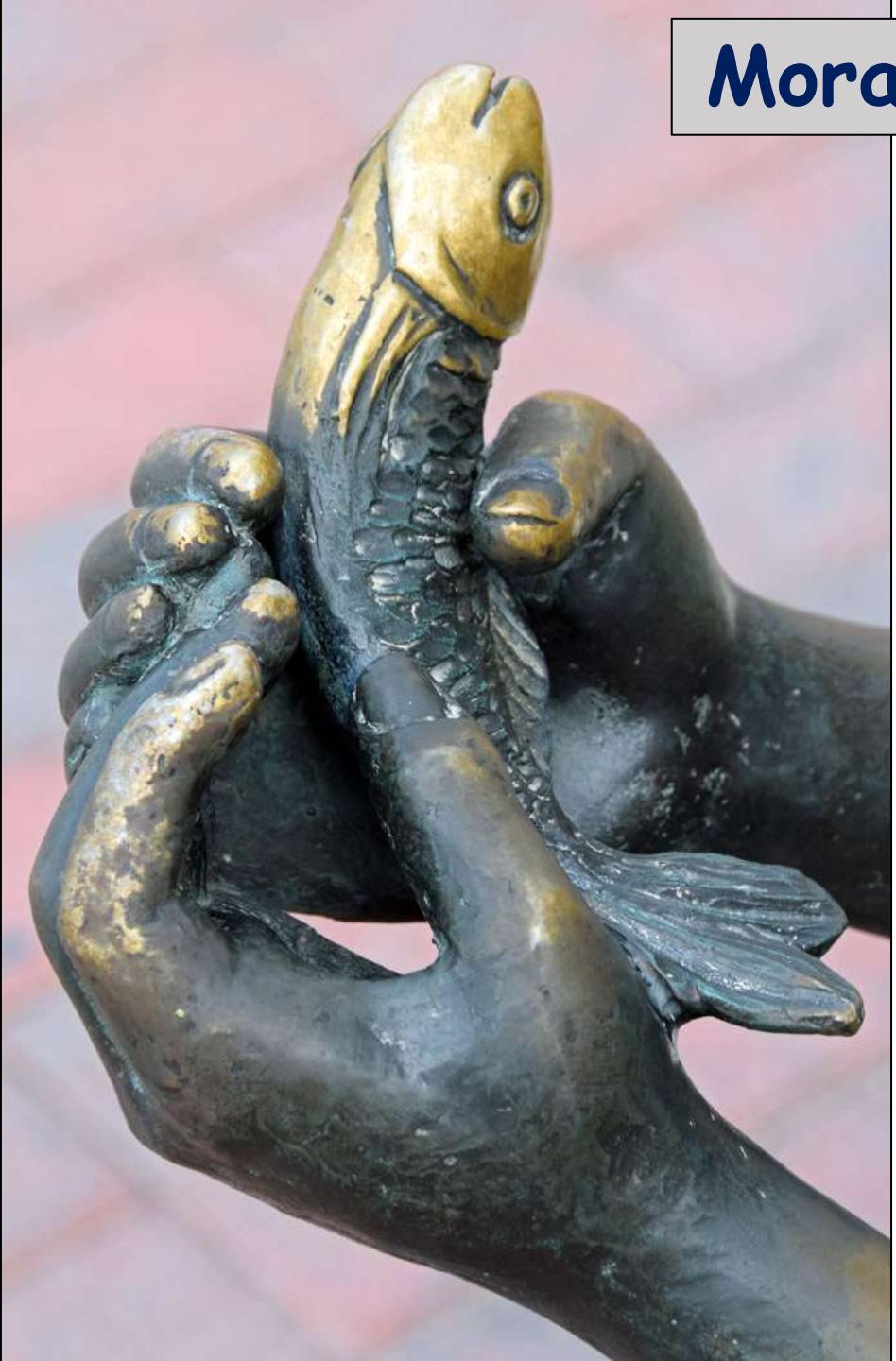
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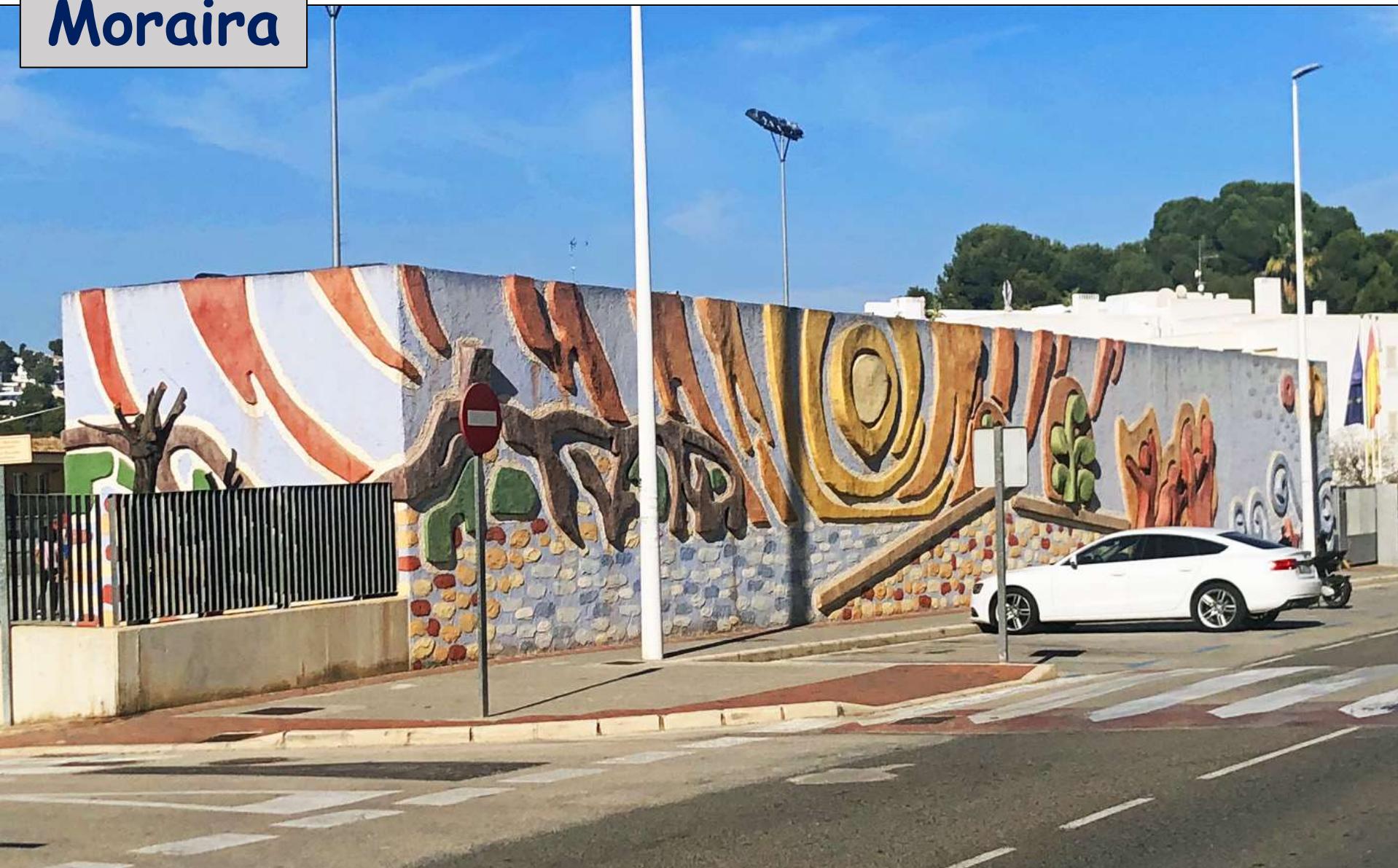


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Giant of Salt  
Joan Coderch &  
Javier Malavia  
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# El Portet



Jávea

The Church of Our  
Lady of Loreto, 1967



Architect:  
Fernando García

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Dedicado al Puerto de Jávea y sus gentes  
Pintor: Víctor Goikoetxea  
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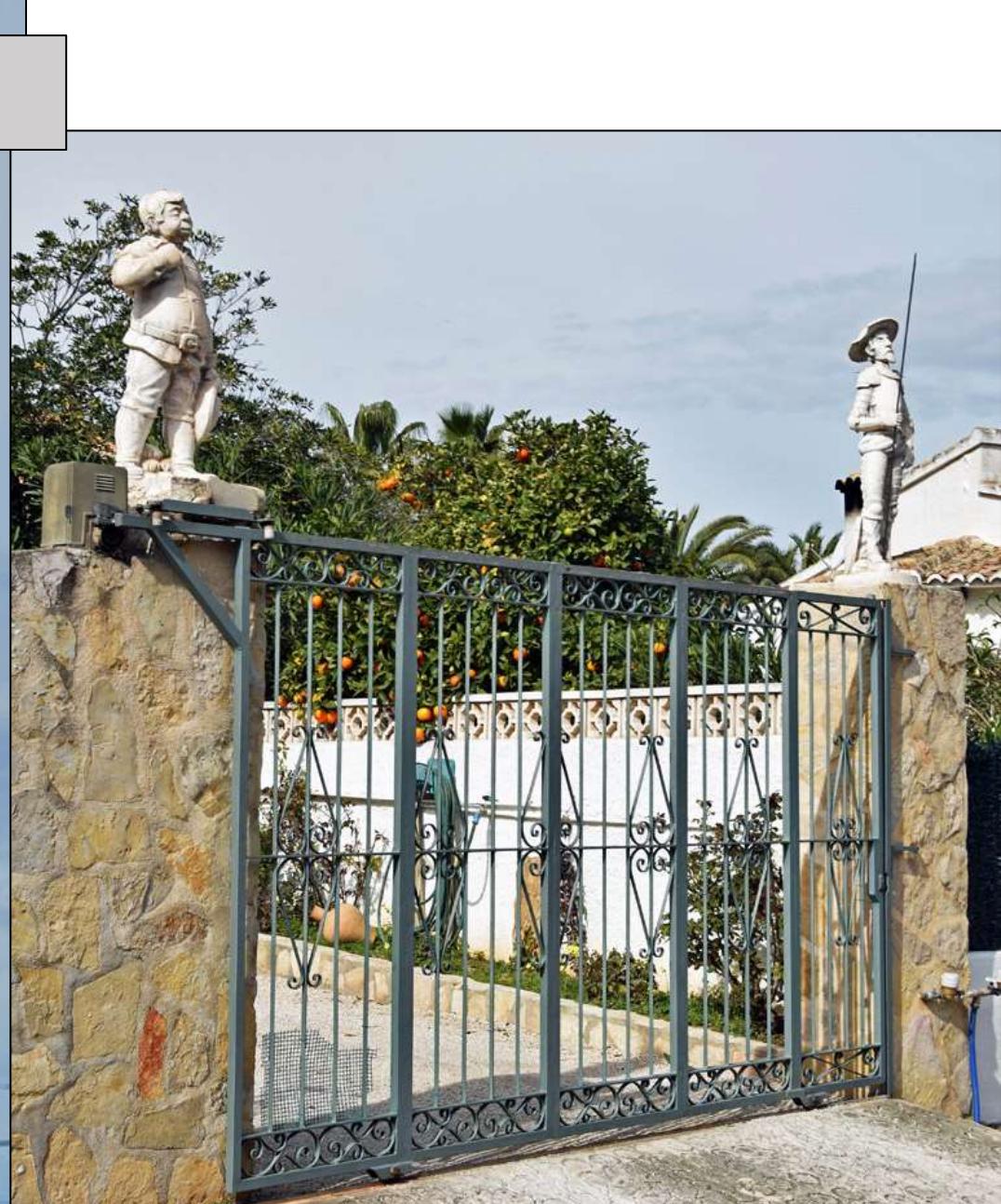
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Fisherman's Church



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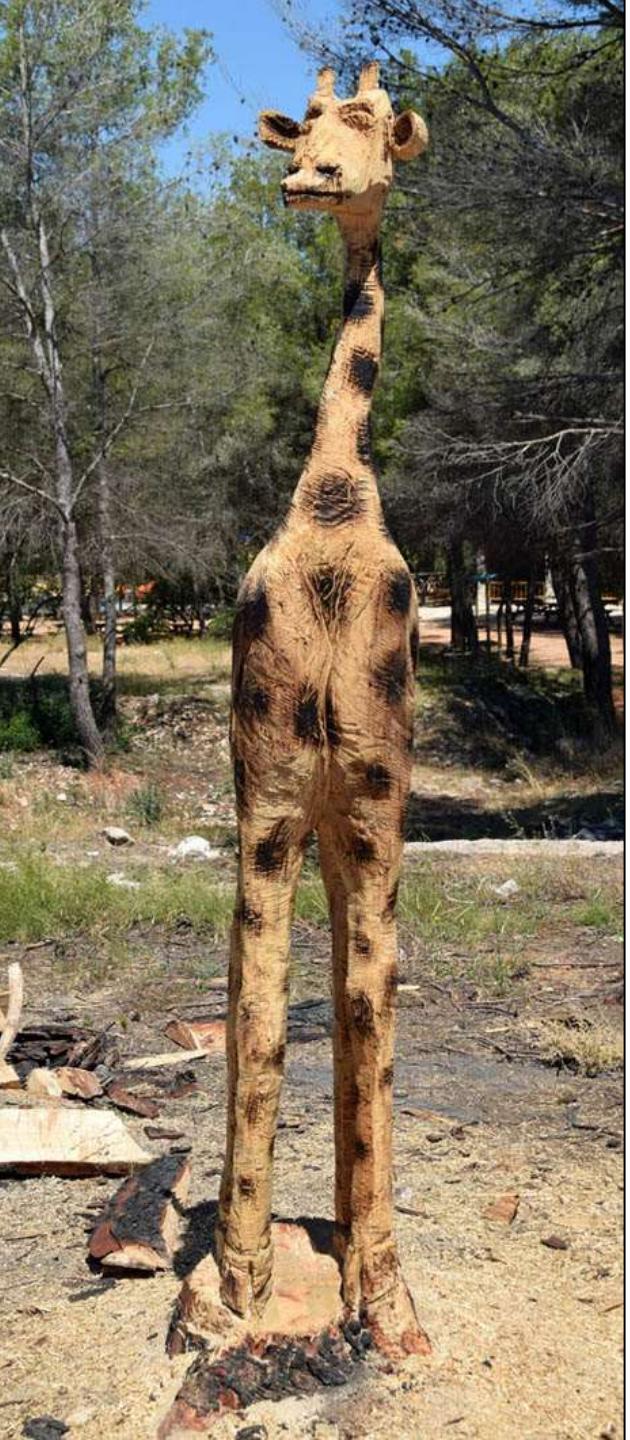
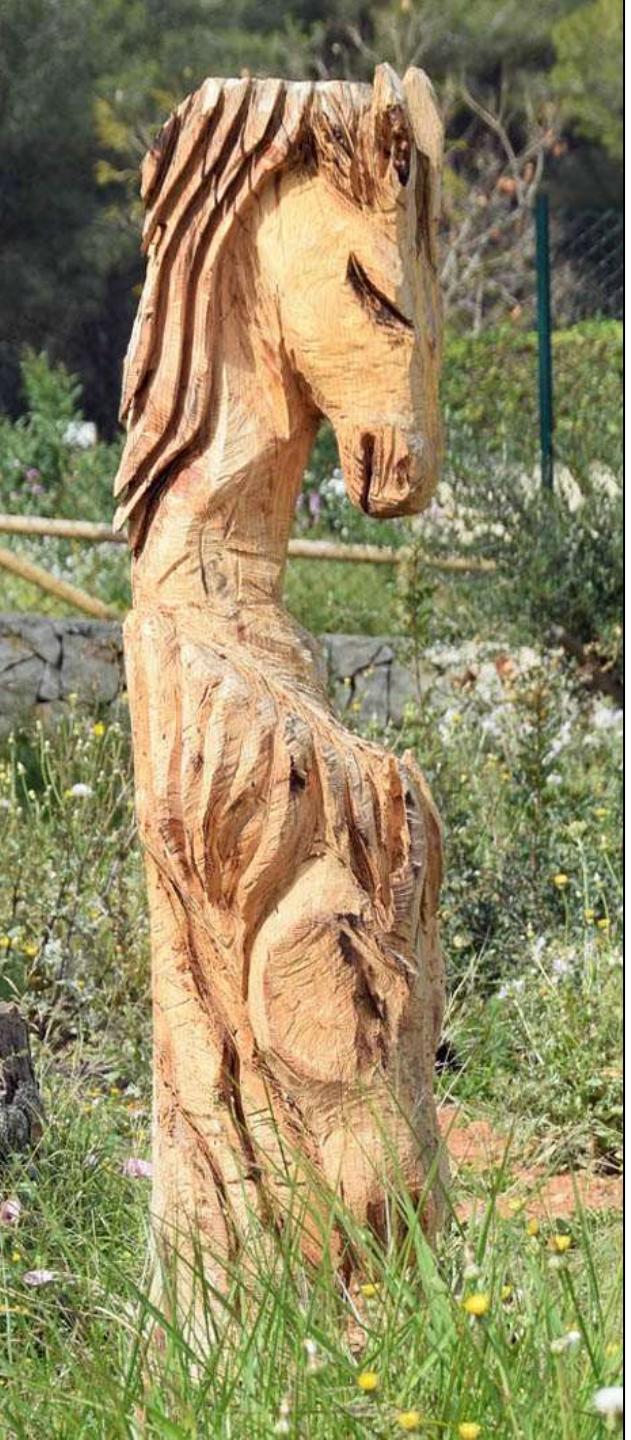




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Tenista  
David Ferrer

Jávea



Joaquin Sorolla  
(1863-1923)  
by Javier de  
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