

Press Release

Spain celebrates its National Day during the Spanish Week at EXPO Aichi 2005

- *The Spanish Pavilion at EXPO Aichi 2005 will celebrate the Spanish Week from the 24th until the 31st of July*
- *Spain's National Day will take place on the 25th of July coinciding with the country's patron saint, Santiago Apostle*
- *All throughout the week, the Spanish Pavilion will organize different activities and music performances at the EXPO Dome, EXPO Hall and the Plaza at the Spanish Pavilion*

Aichi (Japan), 22nd of July 2005.- **The Spanish Pavilion at EXPO Aichi 2005 is pleased to celebrate its National Day on the 25th of July during the Spanish Week at EXPO Aichi 2005. For this special occasion, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Miguel Ángel Moratinos, and the Minister of Housing, M^a Antonia Trujillo, will be attending the official event that will take place at the EXPO Dome.**

Spain will be celebrating their National Day at EXPO Aichi 2005 coinciding with the country's patron saint, Santiago Apostle. Visitors will be able to enjoy the cheerfulness and passion of Spain through many different events which include flamenco guitar performances, the Choir from Madrid and the Kiyosu Primary School Band. Kiyosu is the twin city of Jerez de la Frontera in Spain and is the Japanese city linked to Spain during EXPO Aichi 2005.

One of the main events for that day will be the performances from the guitarist player Paco de Lucía at the EXPO Dome. It is said that, for the time being, nobody has surpassed him and today's guitar-playing would be incomprehensible without him. He revolutionized the way of accompanying and of understanding flamenco guitar.

Also, flamenco, hip hop, Latin rock and modern theatre performances will be the main shows performed during the Spanish Week at EXPO Aichi 2005. Important artists from various genres, including pop group La Oreja De Van Gogh, Latin rock group Bunbury and Macaco, Hip Hop Group La Mala Rodriguez and dance performance group Camut Band will entertain the visitors to the EXPO all throughout the week. The program also includes leading Japanese flamenco group Ballet Komatsubara, the Tuna band from Valladolid and Fundación Maruwa, to be performed at the EXPO site.

SPANISH WEEK AT EXPO Aichi 2005: 24 July, 2005 – 31 July, 2005

Dates	Artists	Genre	Venue & Time
24 July	Camut Band	Dance and percussion performance	Spanish Pavilion, 14:30 & 16:30
	Pep Bou	Visual theatre with soap bubbles	EXPO Hall, 19:30 –
25 July	Madrid´s region Choir	Zarzuela (Spanish Operetta)	EXPO Dome, 11:00 / 14:00
	Paco de Lucia	Flamenco Guitar	EXPO Dome, 12:00 / 18:00
	Camut Band	Dance and percussion performance	Spanish Pavilion, 16:30 / 18:00
26 July	Javier Ruibal	Ethnic Jazz Flamenco	Spanish Pavilion, 14:30 / 16:30
	Fundacion Maruwa	Flamenco dance	EXPO Dome, 19:00
27 July	Javier Ruibal	Ethnic Jazz Flamenco	Spanish Pavilion, 14:30 / 16:30
	La Mala Rodriguez + La Excepción + Jotamayúscula	Hip Hop	EXPO Dome, 18:30
	Dani Pannullo	Break Dance	Spanish Pavilion, 14:30 / 16:30
28 July	La Oreja de Van Gogh + Marlango	Pop	EXPO Dome, 18:00
	Dani Pannullo	Break Dance	Spanish Pavilion, 14:30 / 16:30
29 July	Bunbury & Maccaco	Latin Rock	EXPO Dome, 18:00
	Ballet Komatsubara	Flamenco Dance	EXPO Dome, 18:00
30 July	Ballet Komatsubara	Flamenco Dance	EXPO Dome, 18:00
31 July	Ballet Komatsubara	Flamenco Dance	Spanish Pavilion, 16:30 / 18:00