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## TASMA NEWS

### *Message from the Chair:*

Our inaugural presentation at Espai La Senieta, Moraira, proved a very enjoyable experience with the venue having comfortable seating, exceptional views of the large screen and good sound. John Francis delivered an excellent lecture on Alfred Hitchcock, followed by drinks in the foyer outside.

We now have 142 Platinum/Gold Members and 31 Short term members for a total of 173 members, almost double since a year ago. Thank you everyone for your support.

Do bring your friends to Suzanne Perrin's lecture on *Japanism to Modernism: Japanese Influences on Western Art* as it promises to be a fascinating one.

We are pursuing our policy of cooperating with other cultural organisations for mutual benefit in promoting each other's events. Our latest agreement is with the Jávea Players (JP). Come and join us on the TASMA tables at the JP Dinner and Show on Wednesday, 3 July, details below.

Tickets to the Van Gogh Immersive exhibition on June 20 are going fast and the list opens to non-members coming alone on May 28, don't miss it.

We will be working on more initiatives during the summer and you can expect to hear from us again in late September.

Enjoy the summer.

*Tony Cabban*

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**NEXT PRESENTATION**

**Wednesday, 5 June 2024**

*Japanism to Modernism: Japanese*

*Influences on Modern Art*

**By Suzanne Perrin**

**Espai La Senieta, Moraira**

**Doors open at 10.15 hrs.**

**Presentation at 11.00 hrs.**

Directions [CLICK HERE](#)

**Casa de Cultura, Jávea**

**Doors open at 18.45 hrs.**

**Presentation at 19.30 hrs.**

Directions [CLICK HERE](#)

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Admission: Free Entry for Members;  
Day-Members €15 (Pre-paid  
via [www.artsocma.org](http://www.artsocma.org))

For detailed information on the  
presentation, and Suzanne's biography  
click here: [More+](#)

To view this short video of Suzanne's  
presentation, [CLICK HERE.](#)

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## TASMA EVENTS & TRIPS



### *Van Gogh "Greatest Hits": An Immersive Exhibition*

**Thursday, June 20, 2024, Alicante**

**Tickets €30 Members; €35 Non-members**

Join us for a day trip to the *Van Gogh "Greatest Hits"* Immersive Exhibition: a vibrant symphony of lights, colours and sounds that will transport you to the creative world of a great artist's paintings. The Exhibition comes alive thanks to the intense and expressive colours, and the artist's most famous works, from the iconic Sunflowers, to The Starry Night. **Tickets now on sale:** [www.artsocma/trips](http://www.artsocma/trips).

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### **INVITATION TO OUR SUMMER SOCIAL, 3 July 2024!**

We invite Members and Guests to join us for an evening of food, wine and comedy! Produced by Javea Players, "TAPAS & TANGO!" includes a delicious 7-course tapas dinner, with wine, followed by a hilarious show, **Last Tango in Little Grimley**.

TASMA has reserved tables for members and guests on **Wednesday, 3 July**. If you wish to join our group, when booking opens, as from 31 May, you will be asked "who do you wish to sit with?", then you should state 'Arts Society'.

Dinner is served from 19.00 hrs, the show beginning at 21.00 hrs. Tickets are 25 p.p. to include meal, wine and show.

We shall be mailing a reminder to you again on 31 May but, in the meantime, for any questions, email: [marinaalta@theartsociety.org](mailto:marinaalta@theartsociety.org).

**“Tapas & Tango!”**  
Join us for a Delicious 7-course Tapas Meal (incl. Wine) followed by a Great Comedy Play



**Last Tango in Little Grimley**  
by David Tristram

**Mon 1st - Sat 6th July 2024**  
At 7pm. Bar Imperial, Plaza Baix, Xabia Old Town

Tickets 25€ including 7-Course Tapas Dinner  
To book go to [www.javeaplayers.com](http://www.javeaplayers.com)

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For more information about "Tapas & Tango!": [www.javeaplayers.com](http://www.javeaplayers.com)  
Bookings open on 31 May at 08.00 hrs. [CLICK HERE](#)

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### **NOVELDA CULTURAL TRIP: 2 MAY 2024**

We had 28 members and guests on our day trip to Novelda, a town close to Alicante, with three historical sites well worth the visit. One of our members, Peter Atkinson, was kind enough to write an illustrated, historical brief about the Casa Museo Modernista, El Castillo de la Mola and the Santuario de Santa Maria Magdalena.

The **Casa Museo Modernista** is one of the best preserved homes in which

the modernist decoration is found in greatest profusion and splendor. The interior design elements of modernism are developed in all their opulence: carved wood, stain glass, stucco, ceiling paintings and murals, marble, and period furniture. *"A true jewel of modernism perfectly preserved"*.

The historic sites of the **Sanctuary of Santa Maria Magdalena** and **El Castillo de la Mola** are situated on a hilltop with stunning views towards Alicante. Without a doubt, the must-see visit for travelers arriving in Novelda. We finished the day with an enjoyable Mediterranean lunch at Eco-Albergue Restaurant, located on site.

## 2024 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

**SUBSCRIPTIONS UPDATE:** New and renewing members now can sign up at any time during the year. The membership runs 12 months from date of purchase and includes eight illustrated lectures by accredited lecturers from the UK.

For 2024, the Membership options are: **Platinum Patron 100€**, **Gold Membership 60€** and **Silver Short Term 35€**. The benefits of these three levels are detailed, click [HERE](#). You can now pay directly online with your Master or VISA credit or debit card.

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## **WHAT'S ON:** ARTS, CULTURAL & SOCIAL EVENTS

As we continue to provide more benefits to our members, we have curated a new section to the **TASMA NEWS**, titled **WHAT'S ON**. Its focus is on nationwide and local newsworthy art-related, cultural and social events. It is sent mid-monthly to all Members and Non-members in a separate mailing. If you did not receive the **May WHAT'S ON** Edition, please [CLICK HERE](#) to view.

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## AUTUMN LECTURE



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
**WEDNESDAY, 2 October 2024**

**The Anatomy of Collecting, By Marc Allum**

This presentation will entertain you through the psychology, folklore and history of collecting through the millennia.

*Visit our website to view the upcoming Autumn lectures [www.artsocma.org](http://www.artsocma.org)*

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**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

**Are you interested in volunteering** to assist Andrew Ward with audio-visual set up for our lectures? Or do you know someone who may be interested? We are very much in need of an understudy to take on these tasks.

Additional members are needed to assist the Meet & Greet team and the Hosters to accommodate lecturers in their homes.

Feel free to contact Tony Cabban, Chairman at [ch.marinaalta@theartsociety.org](mailto:ch.marinaalta@theartsociety.org)

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