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**2012 GIBRALTAR SPRING FESTIVAL**

The Ministry of Culture has announced the programme of events for this year's Spring Festival.

The official launch was held this afternoon at the John Mackintosh Hall where the winning entry for the 2012 Spring Festival Logo, designed by Peter Pryszyk, winning £300, was displayed. With over 200 artists submitting entries and the high standards received, the panel decided to grant a further 12 highly commended awards of £20 vouchers each, as follows:

Douglas Ignacio	Adult Entry
Nicholas Hoare	Adult Entry
Joelle Lopez	Westside Comprehensive School
Emilie Nilsson	Westside Comprehensive School
Shannon Robles	Westside Comprehensive School
Ella Truman-Davies	Westside Comprehensive School
Rocio Aldorino	Westside Comprehensive School
Emma Jimenez	Westside Comprehensive School
David Garcia	St Joseph's Middle School
Shannia Lee Azzopardi	St Joseph's Middle School
Alicia Cotter	St Joseph's Middle School
Mouetaz Ziani	Sacred Heart Middle School

Minister for Culture, Steven Linares, presented the awards and in launching the Festival said:

'It gives me a great pleasure to present the full and varied programme of events that comprise of this year's Gibraltar Spring Festival. Most of these events have been organised by or on behalf of the Ministry of Culture, whereas others were planned privately and have chosen to come under the Spring Festival umbrella. Regardless of the method of inception and production, they all share one common purpose; namely the desire to quench the thirst for Culture.'

It has to be acknowledged that the art exhibitions, dance shows, Classical Zarzuela, theatrical performances and other events could have taken place independently, on other dates and without the co-ordination and (wherever requested) assistance from the Ministry of Culture.

However, by forming part of the Spring Festival they ensure that for over three weeks commencing on the Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May and ending on the Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June with 'Calentita' and an impressive fireworks, laser and music display, residents and visitors to the Rock can enjoy an intense period of cultural and other related activities.

I wish you all a most enjoyable and entertaining Spring Festival.'

The full Gibraltar Spring Festival 2012 programme is attached.

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