

MASHALÁ!



(Mashalá! - Congratulations! in Ladino, Turkish y Arabic)

Ellen Gould Ventura, Principal Singer / Director *(Canadian-Sefardi)*
Ernesto Briceño, Violín, vocals and supplementary percussion *(Venezuela)*
Aziz Khodari, Principal percussion and singer, *(Morocco)*;
Franco Molinari, Stand Up bass vocals y supplementary percussion *(Italy)*;
Lautaro Rosas, Arabic Ud, Çumbuç, Saz *(Chile)*

Like the branches of an ancient tree, the roots of Judeo-Arabic music are inexorably linked in the repertoire of Mashalá. The versatile band delivers beautiful and haunting melodies from the realms of Sefardi exile such as Turkey, Greece, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Lebanon, Iraq, Armenia, Bulgaria, Romania, etc.: An eclectic yet ample selection of post-inquisition songs of Sefardi, Mizrahi and Al-Andalous origin in Ladino (Judeo-Castellano) Hebrew, Hebrew-Rashí (Maghreb), Arabic and French. That being said, the music of Mashalá! has universal appeal.

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Concerts/Festivals and Performances 2004 – 2007

- *Festival Medieval* – Concert, Tarragona, 15 October 2007
- *Festival and Fair of Live Music* – Concert, “Mercat de Vic,” Main Square September 15, 2007, Vic (Barcelona)
- *Music Below the Palm Trees World Music Festival* – Concert, Ateneu Patio, September 14, 2007, Barcelona
- *Festival of Mediterranean Music* – Concert, Denia Castle, 3 August, 2007, Denia (Alicante)
- *Festival Internacional de Musica Sefardi (Festival of Sefardi Music)* – Concert, 22nd June, 2007, Córdoba
- *Arrels d’ Arreu (Roots from Everywhere) Festival* - Concert, Sala Planeta Theatre, 29, May, 2007 Girona (Barcelona)
- *Festival of Ancient Music (Judeo-Spanish Section)* – Concert, May 13, 2007 – Jaen (Location, T.B.A.)
- *Bilbao Ars Sacro (Sacred Music Festival) “Las Moradas del Alma” (Marks of the soul)* – Concert, 2nd April, 2007, Bilbao
- *Diversions, World Music Series: Manuel de Falla Auditorium* – Concert, 17th February, 2007, Granada
- *Festival of Mystic Music* – Concert, 15th December, 2006, Barcelona
- *World Music Festival, Diversions* – Concert, 7th de October, 2006 Castellón de la Plana (Valencia)
- *Autumn Festival, Jerez / Al’Andalous Exhibition* – Concert, 22nd September, 2006, Jerez de La Frontera (Andalucia)
- *World Music Festival, Diversions* – Concert, 6th September, 2006, Gijon (Asturias)
- *World Music Festival, Diversions* – Concert, 12th August 2006, Sanlúcar de Barrameda (Cádiz)
- *‘Summer Nights’ World Music Festival* - 2 Concerts, CaixaForum, 9th August, 2006, 8.30 p.m. y 11 p.m. Barcelona
- *Festival of Religious World Music* – Concert, Placa dels Jujats, 5th de July, 2006 7 p.m., Girona
- *World Music Festival and “Al-Andalous” Exhibit, Diversions Eivissa* – Municipality of Ibiza, 8 p.m., 10th of June, 2006, Ibiza
- *100th Anniversary of the Port of Algeciras, Diversions World Music Festival* – el 24th May, 2006, Algeciras. (Andalucia)
- *10th Festival of World Music , Diversions* – Caixa Forum, Barcelona, October 2005
- *6th Annual European Day of Jewish Culture : Gastronomy: Origin, Love y Devocion* Concert, Plaza del Rei, Barcelona, September 2005
- *In Exile: Tour of Origin* – Concert, Centre Bonastruc ça Porta, Gerona (Barcelona) August 2005
- *Peace and Coexistence* – Concert Gothic Quarter, Sant Felip Neri, Barcelona, May 2005
- *VI Tribos Ibéricas – New Tribes: Women Who Come from Afar* –mini’tour Concerts: Santiago de Compostela, University Gustavo Freire Auditorium, Lugo – Galicia, Spain, January, 2005
- *Hommage to Maimónides - Concert*, University of Barcelona, Paraninf, Barcelona – Noviembre 2004
- *5th Annual European Day of Jewish Culture*, National Museum of Art and History, MNAC, National Palace, Sept.’04 Barcelona
- *Forum 2004: Parliament of Religions : “Exiliados”*, concert of Diasporic Sefardi/Mizrahi Music, Barcelona, July 2004

Recordings/DVD/Television and Radio:

CD: *Mashalá! Galicia Live:* CD recorded live, Enero 2005, Galicia; *Atornada;* June 2006;

DVD: *Mashalá! 2006.* Mini docu, Video Clip, October 2006

TV/ Radio: National Radio-Television España, Channel 2, “The New Catalans”.

Broadcasts and interviews/Promotion y programming – Catalunya Radio (prod. Carles Lobo); Radio Nacional , Spain; (*Enigmas*, w/ Josep Guijarro, Radio 4); OndaRambla Punto Radio (“*Without Borders*” w/ Pedro Riba); Radio 4, 100.8 FM; Barcelona; Radio Granada, Cadena SER, Raquel Almirante; Canal Sur, Andalucia (tv & radio). Telelatina, “La Bilirubina”, Channel 35.

Internet: YouTube, Afromix, WebIslam, Radio Sefarad (TV y Radio) Red De Juderias, España, Web Turquia.