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Sea & More: First joint exhibition of Dr. Barbara Bartels-Leipold and Angela Weidner at the Teatro-Auditorio, Beniarbeig.

Beniarbeig, Alicante, 23 August 2023 - Dr. Barbara Bartels-Leipold and Angela Weidner open their first joint exhibition at the Teatro-Auditorio in Beniarbeig, which focuses on Mediterranean impressions, life in Spain and impressive animal motifs. The exhibition begins on 01 September 2023 and ends with a finissage with champagne and snacks on 30 September 2023.

A collective exhibition that celebrates life

This exhibition is not only a sign of artistic expression, but also a commitment to Spanish culture and way of life. Dr Barbara Bartels-Leipold and Angela Weidner, two passionate artists, have combined their talents to take their viewers on a journey through different facets of life and nature on the Costa Blanca. Each image tells its own story. Whether it is a simple seaside panorama, an impressive depiction of animals or a radiant Mediterranean scene, each artwork is a window into a moment, the spirit and the heart of Spain.

From a drive-in cinema to a gallery in the auditorium

For some time now, the two artists have been delighting their fans at the art market at the drive-in cinema in Vergel, which also reopens in mid-September. Now they are also presenting their works in their own joint exhibition in the Auditorium Beniarbeig. By moving into this new location, Weidner and Bartels-Leipold show that their works can shine in many contexts and that they are not afraid to expand their artistic horizons.

The exhibition has so much more to offer than just a presentation of grandiose motifs; it is a dialogue between the artists and their audience, it is a colourful homage to their adopted country Spain.

About the artists:

As an EU Climate Pact Ambassador, **Dr Barbara Bartels-Leipold** is very concerned about climate, species and environmental protection. Is it even possible to combine art and climate? "Yes," emphasises the artist. "Many of my colours are climate-neutral, and who better to bear witness to climate change than an old sail that has been sailing the world's oceans for many years."

Bartels-Leipold is currently working with two 50-year-old sails from the steel sailing yacht "Nordwind", which has also sailed the Mediterranean in its eventful life.

Art has accompanied the lawyer her entire life alongside and in her profession, and far more than just as a hobby. In 1992, she was one of the founding members of the Delmenhorst Art Association in Germany and regularly participated in the annual exhibitions of the Art Association with her large-format graphite drawings for more than 10 years before she became head of the culture department of the city of Delmenhorst in 2012.

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Angela Weidner already drew a lot and passionately in her childhood. "My talent was discovered early on, so that some of my drawings were published in children's books," the artist recalls.

Work and family made her hobby take a back seat. "But since 2020 I have been living in Spain and have been enchanted by the picturesque landscape that I get to discover anew every day. This has moved me to pick up colours and brushes again and record my impressions."

A large part of her paintings can be seen in her boutique in Dénia "Moda by Angela".

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