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XXI WORLD FESTIVAL ON THE BEACH MONDELLO 15TH-21ST MAY 2006

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE FESTIVAL RETURNS TO SICILY. WINDSURFING, SAILING, BEACH VOLLEY, KITESURFING, SURF, GOLF, A WEEK OF SPORT AND ENTERTAINMENT WITH THE MISTRAL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Palermo, 13 March 2006

The scenery of Palermo's valley and its cradle, Mondello, are the expressions of the Sicilian essence at its best and the ideal stage where each year the "World Festival On The Beach" punctually takes place.

The 21th edition of the World Festival on the Beach will open its doors once again in May, welcoming even more enthusiastic surfers and tourists who are attracted to Mondello by the various events held, for its particular characteristics that are able to bring together Sicily's historical and natural environments. The "World Festival on the Beach" is becoming included more and more in holiday brochures as tourism-cultural package holidays in Sicily during the period of the event which opens up the summer. From day to night in the Mondello Bay thousands of keen surf fans are to be found, this great Sicilian Festival brings together different events that transforms this little town outside Palermo into a tourist village unique in its kind.

The Albaria's World Festival on the Beach has been organized along with Palermo's Council for over ten years and were both able to bring together an event famous to windsurfers around the world, with the capability of renewing itself year after year and always with great surprises with thanks to the intervention of the Sicilian Regional Tourism Authorities which have for the fourth year running taken the event into account in inserting it into it's official calendar of events that has a strong tourism effect to the island.

The windsurfing, sailing and beach volley champions will be back along with the spectacular shows from Kitesurfing, Surf, Beach Rugby and the moving underwater explorations. A week of sport and music entertainment with the magical notes from the harmonious Symphonic music and from the 5th edition of the New Jazz Festival, the characteristic atmosphere of the tourist village is brought together in Mondello by its sea, its beach and from its audience.

The great sports and music events from a "surprise" program make up the formula that has been appointed along with the quality of its contents, the success of the "World Festival on the Beach" will soon celebrate its 21st birthday.

Valdesi Square strictly becomes a pedestrian zone surrounded by its well-cared gardens and opens the gates of Mondello and its festival among palm trees and colourful flowers. Elegant, welcoming, busy and full of colours but most of all free, the public village becomes the heart of all the events of the World Festival on the Beach. There are no tickets to pay and no queues to line up in. It's a large area open to everyone in which its general aspect is that of a huge living room in the middle of town.

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The musical entertainment is a historical factor at the World Festival on the Beach. The New Jazz Festival, kept at heart by the directors and the members of the Albaria, an event which is hoped to repeat itself for the fourth year supported along with the Local Authorities from the Sicilian Regional Culture Department. There was huge success for the first and the second edition of the classical music concert which was held on the beach and will be repeated again this year at Mondello, a stage of 160sq mtrs with a colourful background made up by catamarans. “Symphony on the Beach” one hour of cultured music that goes straight to the heart of those who have an ear for classical music and for those who will listen to it for the first time. An astonishing event.

The concerts held on the beach are long awaited by those who attend every year to live that kind of Californian atmosphere that comes to life when the evening falls in, the beach becomes like a dance hall.

Many sports champions will be in Mondello to participate in the various competitions that are to be held. Windsurfing will open the 21st edition of the “World Festival on the Beach”, it will begin on Monday the 15th of May with the IMCO Class Championships in which the best international windsurf athletes will race each other to win the European Titles.

After the European Championship and the Nation Cup a kind of “RS:X”, Mistral, FW, for windsurfers along the Sicily Grand Prix, an individual competition.

You will be taken in by the Beach Volley in the International Mondello Cup Tournament, the Proseries Beach Tour has chosen Mondello again this year as the opening of its tour. Once again there will be spectacular acrobatics from Kite Surfing, from the Surf Contest and Golf to keep you entertained along with lots of other surprises from the holiday village unique in the world.

The World Festival an event which has become a role model to different parts of the world, a sport and music festival that can not be missed from the 15th to the 21st of May 2006, an event that will give life to a fantastic and exciting entertainment trip...

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