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## Granted to Don Memo the National Prize of Traditional Popular Culture of Costa Rica

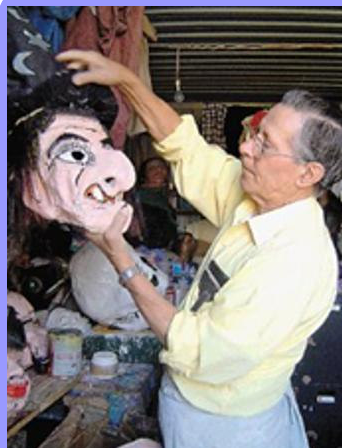
The past 28 of January, the Ministry of Culture and Youth of Costa Rica have communicated the National Prizes of Artistic and Scientific Creation in its different modalities.

In the dedicated section to grant 8° National Prize of Traditional Popular Culture, the Jury was integrated by:

- Carlos Cortés Zúñiga, representative of the Ministry of Culture.
- Marvin Santos Varela, representative of the Association of Groups and Interpreters of the Popular Culture.
- Luis Fernando Rodríguez Zumbado, representing Rodríguez of the Ministry of Public Education.
- Nancy Sanchez Acuña, representative of the Cultural Association University Costa Rican.

They decided: "To grant to this prize to Mr. Guillermo Martínez Solano (Don Memo), considering who has developed important tasks of promotion of the Costa Rican Traditional Mascarada. It learned to realise masks with molds of clay, paper, mud and other materials, that have accompanied to him since then, in one it releases trajectory of execution of factories in schools and public and deprived institutions, penitentiary centers and parks of the community, which has been fundamental to maintain this tradition like fundamental component of the identity costarricense".

From these pages the Board of directors of the Circle we wished to express our satisfaction by this deserved recognition to the work developed by our good friend, who our Organization already recognized to him of official and public form during the carried out visit Costa Rica in 2007. For greater bond with our Organization, we have remember that "Don Memo" he is the constructor of "Diablo" that they flattered to us in Carthage, and we hoped that is one of the personalities that, in the month of June.



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## Presented the fifth seal of the collection

We have published the fifth seal of the collection, in which the giants reproduce "Foner" and "Tanit" , of the Agrupació Geganteres de les Illes Balears.

The 26 of February of year 2007 were released, the Day of the Islands, and measure 4.10 meters of height.

The giant has been created to image of those Majorcan soldiers and Minorcan who crossed the Alps the elephants of Anibal, whereas Tanit, goddess of the fertility, is inspired by the found mud statues in the islands.

The next programmed seals are the following:

- April: Giants Firemen - La Llacuna (Barcelona)
- May: Nicolau and Remediets - Giants of Alacant
- June: Antoni Gaudí - Giant of Riudoms (Tarragona)
- July: To determine - the United States
- August: Avi Perico and s'avia Aguedet - Lluçmaçanes (Balears)
- September: Barbapapa - Olinda (Brazil)
- October: Lo Martí del Mallol - Poboleda (Tarragona)
- November: La Chapetona - Barva de Heredia (Costa Rica)
- December: D' Mba-Tribe Sussu (Guinea Conakry)

## Ordinary Assembly of Partners

Sunday, 15 of March, the Ordinary Assembly of Partners of the Organization will take place in Vallgorguina (Catalonia - Spain).

Place: First stage of the Servei de Parcs - Carrer de l' Església

Hour: The 10:30 in the morning, in first call and the 11 in second.

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