



KEY FEATURE

Una Noche Para Marbella

By Dario Poli

Dario Poli was determined to engage the Spanish people in his campaign for Marbella and the Costa del Sol, begun in April 2007. To do that, he needed excellent Spanish lyrics and a singer of considerable status, star quality and experience. After many failed starts with the lyrics, he was introduced to the Cuban singer, Yanela Brooks, by The Princess Marie-Louis of Prussia.

Yanela liked the music and offered to write the lyric in Spanish, to a by now, skeptical Dario. However in November 2008 they met at the Puente Romano, and she sang the Spanish lyrics live to an astonished Dario. They were first class; his quest was over.

In February 2009, Yanela presented a surprised Dario with a recording of the music in Spanish. Over the moon, he went to work to promote the Spanish version, with the help of Danish artist Mugge Fischer who designed the CD cover.

They decided that as they had a high quality production in Spanish, it was time to put on an event that would, for the first time, officially present the song, Yanela and the campaign to Marbella.

On April 22nd more than 300 VIP's, jet-setters and press gathered to promote Marbella and the new version of the song "**Marbella, Marbella**" at an event called "**Una Noche Para Marbella**" from an original idea by Dario Poli and Mugge Fisher of Artenovum. The large turn out for the event was astonishing, including Princesa Marie Louise and Count Rudi.

Mugge Fischer compered the event and introduced speeches by Councillor for Tourism, José Luis Hernández, and C.I.T Bergoña Castillo, Giancarlo Paparusso, Marcella Filippone and Dario.

The event, was a huge success, but the highlight of the

evening was the superb performances by **Luis Fiers** and Cuban vocalist, **Yanela Brooks**, the popular and dynamic singer pianist who has to be seen live, to be believed. **Maestro Louis Fiers** on the piano was a musical **tour de force** with his trio when he accompanied Yanela Brooks in his original, brilliantly arranged and performed Jazz version of the song. She then sang the Spanish version of the song and brought the house down by her spellbinding performance that captivated the audience who danced and clamoured for more from the dynamic star.

The combination of one of Europe's greatest Jazz exponents with this new jazz, blues and soul star was something to behold, as the two real artists, weaved their magic, each inspired by the work of the other.

When Louis Fiers had his first rehearsal with Yanela, he said that, "**Yanela was one of the best singers he had worked with in over thirty years**".

Dario's aim is that "Marbella, Marbella" and the new CD, will be played all over Europe to help Marbella and the Costa del Sol recover from the bad publicity that has plagued it. His simple philosophy is " **if you do not fight for what you have, you do not deserve to have it**"

Latest updates:

Louis Fiers' success has resulted in enquires for his trio, and he and Dario are writing music for a new Jazz album. Dario and pianist/entertainer David Mairs recently completed a new CD of original songs titled "**Living in the Sun**", and they are promoting it. Some of the songs will be sung live by David's daughter, popular Scottish singing star Samantha Mairs, when she performs at the Tamisa Golf Hotel Mijas Golf in early June. Worth seeing!