



...the official rough guide to

San Miguel de Salinas

...it's not just a pretty place



Arte y Cultura

Our Arts Page is dedicated to the announcements of our Councillor for Culture - Manuel Pérez Mañogil - and the local groups that add so much colour to life in the pueblo

'Culture always unites' - 'La cultura siempre une'



Our previous Cultural Festival - Folk - in August 2005 featured **DJOKOTO & PAPA BORREGA** with Guests **CREMA DE GALLEGA**, bringing the diverse African Dance and percussion group from Barcelona and 'la Gaita' from Galicia or the Spanish Bagpipe.

Djokoto is an African dance and percussion group from Barcelona. The name 'Djokoto' derives from an African dialect meaning 'Heat of the Germans' and the troupe is made up of professional dance artists from different countries, including the Ivory Coast, Burkina Faso, Togo and Ghana. Their spectacular show features traditional African Dance and Music in colourful costumes bringing their audiences an insight into this true and original African art form.

Papa Borrega and **Crema de Gallega** brought us the Bagpipes. Bagpipes or gaita were broadly played in Galicia in the middle ages. There are reproductions of bagpipers in Romanic churches and Monasteries built in the XI century and pictures of bagpipers in the Court of the King Alfonso X El Sabio, dating back to the XIII century.