

# LEGO® event at the X Collectors Fair at Mungia, Vizcaya

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The Collectors Fair was held in Mungia, Vizcaya, from April 14 to April 15. This year was the tenth edition, organized by the Bitxikiak association ([www.bitxikiak.org](http://www.bitxikiak.org)), in collaboration with the local municipality. Like preceding years a hall was reserved to prepare an event related to constructions with LEGO® bricks. The effort made by the organization to provide a proper place for the elements that were displayed was incredible and the familiar treatment to the attendants was very remarkable. It was clear that we were welcome, and they were very happy to hold the LEGO event within the Collection Fair.

The exhibition of constructions made with LEGO® bricks was organized by HispaBrick Magazine® ([www.hispabrickmagazine.com](http://www.hispabrickmagazine.com)) with the help of Hispalug® ([www.hispalug.com](http://www.hispalug.com)) members. The exhibition was composed of several dioramas and many MOCs divided in several small thematics areas. With more than 200.000 bricks, this edition was the one with the most bricks ever.

In the middle of the hall there was a city diorama. This diorama was built by I. Pernia (Koska) and S. del Álamo (Sergilogrono) and was spectacular. The setup itself was built with the LEGO modular houses and many other custom buildings. There was a very remarkable group of houses that recreated a typical square of a Basque country village. You were able to compare the LEGO buildings with a picture of the original buildings, and the final result was incredible, with all those details and the design of the facades. The whole city was surrounded by a double railway. Children crowded the sides



of the diorama each time the trains were activated. This was one of the things they wanted to see most. Near the city was a leisure and rest area, full of small details and very funny vignettes.

Side by side with this diorama was the Star Wars™ area. There was an Imperial Hangar, depicting the arrival of Lord Vader to his Commandership, made by A. Bellón (Legotron). This MOC is a veteran of preceding editions, from the beginning of the LEGO events in the Fair of Mungia. Just in front of this were the Star Wars maxifigs and the TIE starfighters collection. There was also a collection of imperial minifigs.

Then there was the Panzerbricks Collection of A. Bellón (Legotron). This was made up of more than 40 different military vehicles of World War II. There were tanks, halftracks, lorries, cars and many types of howitzers. The next area was reserved for the Architecture Sets of S. del Álamo (Sergilogrono). All the buildings were perfectly documented in order to compare with the original ones, and the whole collection was very impressive.

In a different corner of the Hall another one of the dioramas was displayed. It was the most spectacular display of the exhibition. The diorama was about a French town of the sixties, made by H. Hoexbroe (Hoexbroe). Everything was an original creation of the author, the buildings, the vehicles, the train, everything. The whole diorama was wonderful, with so





many details and scenes that I would need an entire article to describe it. The train that crossed the city was a nice creation itself, with the special design of its boggies to allow the passing of the curved sections of the railway. There was also a small setup of the new Friends sets, that were very succesfull among the children, especially the girls.

There was also a HispaBrick Magazine® stand, in which different issues of the printed magazine were shown to the attendants. That was an information point to comment the activities of the event and everything related to the exposition.

This year we had a novelty. In addition to the small gifts to the children who visited the exposition, we held several



competitions both days, and some children were rewarded with some special prizes. These prizes were generously supplied by LEGO® Company through HispaBrick Magazine®

In conclusion, although the weather was really horrible along the fair, rain and cold caused some problems during the mounting and dismounting of the elements displayed in the exposition, there were many, many visitors. The exhibition was a success again and we were given an outstanding treatment by the organization staff.  
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