



## Clara Gari

Andrew Stuck is in Olot, Catalunya, in the company of **Clara Gari**, the founder of the Nau Còclea Contemporary Art centre and of The Grand Tour, an annual nomadic walking art residency that Clara has developed over the last eight years. Previously having received public funding to run a conventional art centre offering exhibitions, workshops and talks, a political change meant the funding was withdrawn, and Clara struggled to keep the art centre alive. Thinking out of the box, she reprised a personal walking journey she had made in 2003, in which she walked for three weeks on a 200 kilometre route that linked artists and friends, to create what she called The Grand Tour that now follows a spiral route through eastern Catalunya and the Pyrenees. 22'23" 10.5MB

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The Grand Tour website: <https://elgrandtour.net/en/>

Nau Còclea website: <https://naucoaclea.com/?lang=en>

Singer: Neus Borrell: [https://www.primaverasound.com/en/pro-online/artists-all-year\\_neus-borrell-bru-ferri](https://www.primaverasound.com/en/pro-online/artists-all-year_neus-borrell-bru-ferri)

Walks that Clara recommends

1. Ebro River Delta, Catalunya <https://www.tortosaturisme.cat/en/ebro-delta/>
2. The oriental extreme Pyrenees in the Albera: <https://www.purefrance.com/en/blog/out-and-about-in-the-albera-massif-mountains>