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**The Art Nouveau in the summer resorts: one architecture and one lifestyle.
The architect Manuel Joaquim Raspall and the Vallès Oriental**

The development and transformation occurred in the Vallès Oriental region at the end of the 19th century and at beginning of the 20th century, were related with a social phenomenon featuring Barcelona's upper bourgeoisie, which was the breakthrough of the summer resorts. The Vallès Oriental region became itself as a summer resort. The colonies of holidaymakers were the leaders of the development in towns. Their houses and villas, built in the Art Nouveau style, became extremely important in urban transformations and even in urban growth of these towns. Summer houses were built by architects as Eduard M. Balcells, Puig i Cadafalch, Lluís Planas, Emili Sala i Cortès and, most of all, Manuel Joaquim Raspall, (1877 - 1937). Raspall worked as an architect in many towns as Cardedeu (1904), l'Ametlla del Vallès (1906), la Garriga (1906), Granollers (1907), Caldes de Montbui (1909) and later in Montmeló (1924), where he not only built magnificent Art Nouveau style houses and villas, but also designed some interesting public works, with urban plans and urban furniture designs.

Key words: art nouveau, summer resorts, architects

**El Modernisme d'estiu, una arquitectura i un estil de vida:
l'arquitecte Manuel Joaquim Raspall i el Vallès Oriental**

El desenvolupament i transformació del Vallès Oriental a finals del segle XIX i principis del XX anirà lligat a un fenomen social protagonitzat per l'alta burgesia barcelonina: l'estiu. La comarca del Vallès Oriental va esdevenir un important centre d'estiu on la colònia d'estiuants actuar de motor de desenvolupament i creixement. Les seves cases i torres, d'estil Modernista, contribuiran a la transformació i al creixement urbà d'aquestes poblacions. Magnífiques torres d'estiu amb frondosos jardins van ser construïdes per arquitectes com Eduard M. Balcells, Puig i Cadafalch, Lluís Planas, Emili Sala i Cortès i, sobretot, per Manuel Joaquim Raspall, (1877 - 1937). Raspall va reballar com arquitecte municipal de poblacions com Cardedeu (1904), l'Ametlla del Vallès (1906), la Garriga (1906), Granollers (1907), Caldes de Montbui (1909) i més tard Montmeló (1924), llocs on no sols va construir

magnifices cases modernistes per a l'estiu eix sinó que també va dissenyar i realitzar diverses obres públiques, plans de desenvolupament i fins i tot dissenys de mobiliari.

Paraules clau: modernisme, estiu eix, art nouveau, arquitectes

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