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Through Thursday April, 30 Les Voiles Art Preview by Kate Kova at Ortega Art Gallery, in Gustavia. Opening Reception, Friday April 17 at 7pm.

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Les Voiles de Saint-Barth promises a good show



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year. Crowned TP52 world champion five years ago, Hutchinson is a regular at the America's Cup, and has been named Rolex U.S. Yachtsman of the Year... twice!

As far as the boats in the race, certain are rare jewels of high-tech performance. That is certainly the case in the top Maxi class, which includes two sailboats not long out of the boatyards. The first is the superb 100' Comanche, designed by Guillaume Verdier-VPLP, in one of her first races. The same is true for Rambler 88, also launched at the end of last year. The Maxi class has a total of 10 boats, measuring 63' to 100' in length. These also include a few regulars at Les Voiles de Saint-Barth, such as the Maxi 72, Bella Mente, returning for the second consecutive year. As well as Wendy Schmidt's Swan 80 Selene, the Dutch boat Aragon, and the Baltic 78 Lupa Of London.

This week the sixth edition of Les Voiles de Saint-Barth sets sail. Over the past five years, this regatta has become one of the principal nautical events in the Caribbean. Close to 80 boats and over 1,000 sailors are on hand, with some top names aboard for the ride. Starting with the celebrated French skippers, Loïck Peyron, most recent winner of the transatlantic Route du Rhum, with a record time. Which earned him the title of sailor of the year in 2014. Peyron is also the official ambassa-

dor for Les Voiles this year, and will hold a question and answer session on Tuesday, April 14 at 6pm at the race village on the Quai du Général de Gaulle, moderated by the (now retired) icon of French television, Patrick Poivre d'Arvor (a little like Dan Rather in the US).

The key to the success of Les Voiles de Saint-Barth is to unite amateurs passionate about sailing and top-level professionals. An example is Terry Hutchinson, another prestigious participant this



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The boats sailing in Les Voiles de Saint-Barth are divided into five categories. In addition to the Maxis, there are spinnakers, non spinnakers, Melges 24, and multi-hulls. In this last category there are some incredible racing boats this year, such as Phaedo 3, Michel Des-

joyeux's former trimaran Mod70, among the 9 multi-hulls in competition. In the spinnaker class, close to 50 boats will be on the starting line, as well as another 10 in the non spinnaker class. Finally, Les Voiles de Saint-Barth will once again offer its charitable

support to the Brain & Spine Institute (ICM) in Paris, led by Gérard Saillant. To help finance their research in the fight against neuro-degenerative diseases, contributions can be made on the ICM website: www.icm-institute.org.



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A WEEK OF REGATTAS AND SPECIAL EVENTS



Les Voiles de Saint-Barth comprises four days of sailing around the island, with the race courses imagined by noted skipper Luc Poupon, who lives in Saint Barth and is the race director for this event. The staggered start of the first race is set

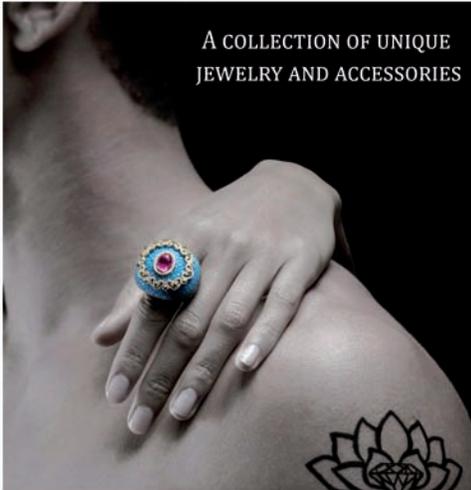
for Tuesday, April 14 at 11am, with the return of the fastest boats expected around 3:30pm. The race village on the Quai du Général de Gaulle will open at about that same time, every day during the regatta. On Wednesday, the boats will set sail earlier, at 10am. Each evening, images of the daily race will be projected on a giant screen on the dock starting at 6pm. Thursday is a merited day off, but the crews will be out on the waves again as of Friday and Saturday, April 17 and 18, with the final day concluding at an awards ceremony on the dock, complete with fireworks and pole dancing. A similar show will open this sixth edition of Les Voiles de Saint-Barth on Monday, April 13, starting at 6pm. The race village is open to the general public, with music on the dock every night during the regatta.

Diamond Genesis/Le Carré: the flying catamaran

Sponsored by Le Carré and Diamond Genesis, the "flying catamaran" with Erik Maris at the helm, will also be a star performer at Les Voiles de Saint-Barth. This GC 32 catamaran is equipped with foils, like wings that allow it to emerge and "fly" across the water, improving its speed. In the multi-hull category, the competition comprises Phaedo 3, the Mod70 trimaran once sailed by Michel Desjoyeaux. Another titan of the seas to watch!



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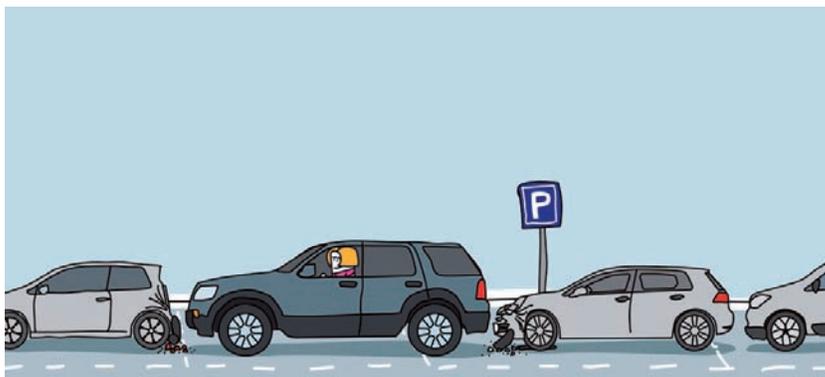
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Small Island, Big Cars



In Saint Barth, other than an annual tax, no measures have been taken to encourage the purchase of smaller cars.

In Saint Barth there are close to 7,000 cars on the roads, for a population of slightly more than 9,000 residents plus visitors (not counting 1,500 pick-up trucks, about a hundred larger trucks, and 3,000 scooters). Hoping to control this flotilla of vehicles, the Collectivity asked the government to give

it jurisdiction over the size of the rental car fleets. After a positive response in the Senate, it's now up to the deputies to say yes or no. Along with the rest of the law proposed by the island's senator, Michel Magras, with an eye to changes for the Collectivity. While waiting, why not encourage or dis-

courage this or that kind of vehicle? Or at least insist on non-polluting vehicles. In France, le environmental surcharges penalize the purchase of gas-guzzlers and those that cause pollution. On our island, no such penalty: except for the "vignette" tax, which can climb as high as 2,000 for the biggest

 An advertisement for 'le sereno. SAINT-BARTHÉLEMY'. The image shows a round white table set for dining outdoors at night. On the table are two wine glasses, two dark glasses, plates, and silverware. A lit candle in a glass lantern is the central focus, casting a warm glow. The background is dark with bokeh lights from trees.

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engines. Otherwise, registration for a vehicle remains the same: 25 euros. No matter the horsepower of the vehicle. Yet in France, the driver of a 4x4 Volkswagen Touareg pays more than 600 euros in the Provence Alpes Cote d'Azur region for a 3L model, and more than 1200 euros for a 4.2L model.

Another means for the island to institute a surcharge is via import duty. To discourage the import of trucks weighing more than 14 tons, the territorial council upped the import duty to 30% two years ago, while the duty for other vehicles was increased to 8%. The goal was to limit the number of vehicles in general, not to be selective. The territorial council has not yet used the import duty as a tool to encour-

rage cleaner vehicles in terms of pollution. Bruno Miot, owner of the garage FBM, which imports electric cars, regrets this decision. Passionate about the subject, Miot dreams of a day when everyone in Saint Barth drives an electric car charged by solar energy. And he is sure it can work, as he has installed solar panels that allow him to produce 18 to 20 kW per day to charge to batteries of his three Renault Twizy's, for an entire day. He is proud of his installation, which is the first of its kind in the Caribbean. It has also attracted the attention of the Economic and Social Council of Saint Barthélemy (CESC), whose president Pierre-Marie Majorel would like to adapt the future energy needs for the island in keeping with the chal-

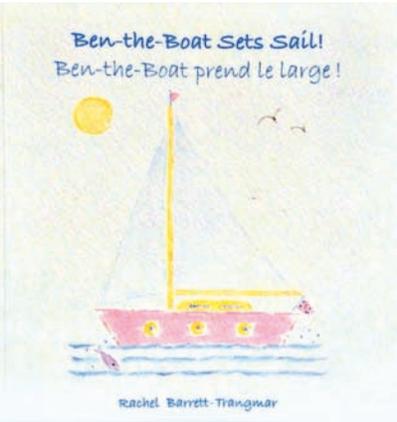
lenges of climate change.

Yet cars on the island keep getting bigger and bigger, especially in terms of SUVs. But are they best suited for the roads in Gustavia or Corossol, for example? That is not the opinion of the association Saint-Barth Essentiel, whose president H el ene Bernier decided to increase awareness on the subject by distributing stickers to put on cars. If it's up to the residents to decide what kind of car they want to drive, the Collectivity must be able to do what it needs to do to facilitate traffic flow on the island, by encouraging or penalizing the importation of this or that kind of vehicle. So why not start by way of import duties?

The advertisement for 'Les Artisans' is enclosed in a gold border. It features several pieces of jewelry: three necklaces with dark beads and shells or coral pendants, a multi-strand bracelet with pearls and dark beads, and four rings with large, colorful gemstones (dark blue, green, purple, and light blue) set in gold. The text 'Les Artisans' is written in a gold, cursive font. In the bottom left corner, there is a small gold logo of a building with a dome. Below the logo, the address 'rue du G n ral de Gaulle - Gustavia', phone number '0590 27 50 40', and email 'les.artisans@wanadoo.fr' are listed.

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As cute as a button, as charming as can be, a little book has been published for kids who love the sea. Written in verse—the texts are in both French and English—and illustrated by Rachel Barrett-Trangmar, the book is titled “*Ben-The-Boat Sets Sail!*” and is inspired by the story of Rachel and her husband Philip Trangmar and how they came to set sail from London on a white sailboat with blue trim actually called Ben-The-Boat.

English by birth, Barrett-Trangmar was raised in the Turks and Caicos Islands. Comfortable around boats and embracing an island lifestyle, she now has settled on her adopted island of Saint Barth. “I knew how to sail, and we decided to travel around the world to enjoy the open air, blue

BEN-THE-BOAT SETS SAIL!

seas, and blue skies,” she explains. “The book is the story of our life in a very small nutshell.”

Writing the book in rhyme must have taken Rachel some time, perched at her desk with a lemonade or lime. Her verses were translated into French by Michèle Viale-Aupy, capturing the same spirit, which will also be shared in the next three books in the series: *Ben-The-Boat In America*, *Ben-The-Boat In The Bahamas*, and *Ben-The-Boat in The Caribbean*.

“They are already written,” says the author in search of a publisher. The first book was self-published with the help of Jean-Jacques Rigaud of Tropical Magazine, where Barrett-Trangmar does the French to English translations. “There is a lot of competition in the children’s book market,” she admits.

An artist as well as an author, Barrett-Trangmar did the illustrations using watercolors. They embrace



soft shades of pastel pink, yellow, and blue, as one might use for the décor of a baby’s room.

“*Ben-The-Boat Sets Sail!*” is available in Saint Barth at La Case Aux Livres, Barnes Bookstore, and Loulou’s Marine in Gustavia, as well as Marché U in St Jean. Its small 5” x 5” format makes the book is the perfect souvenir from a small island.

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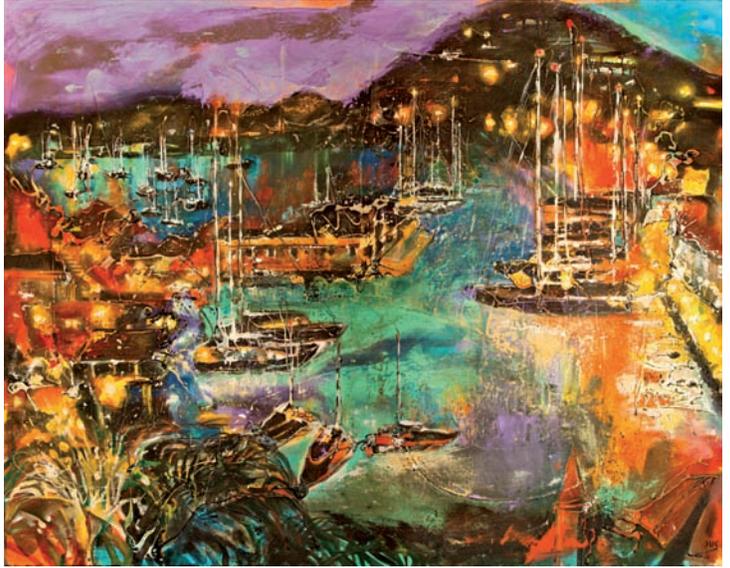
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While the gallery shows only Kova's work, there are a lot of new paintings to see, with medium and small format canvases. Her work not only includes the luscious green and red apples that are her trademark, but also views of the Port of Gustavia. "The ambiance will be festive and a lovely occasion to meet friends and have a drink," says Kova.

On Friday, April 17, painter Kate Kova will host a cocktail reception from 7pm-10pm at the Ortega Gallery in Gustavia (rue Samuel Fahlberg).



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- Diner Cabaret with
show girls at Ti St Barth
- Do You Remember Evening
DJ Rock Baz @ First
- DJ Gabin, From 9pm to
1am @ Monbart
- Live jazz music with Soley
and Christian from 8 pm to
10 pm @ Christopher Hotel
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- DJ Yo One Sutter from
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- Diner Cabaret with
show girls @ Ti St Barth
- DJ Rock Baz @ First
- ▶ Thursday, April 16
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