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HOT JAZZ IN ST BARTH



It's been a whirlwind season in St Barth!

From the opening of the tourist season with the Gourmet Festival in early November to the crowds for Thanksgiving, and the holiday cheer of Christmas and New Year's Eve in December, the classical music festival in January, Carnival in February, the St Barth Bucket and the Jazz Festival in March, and the upcoming West Indies Regatta in April, and the St Barth Film Festival in May, there is always something to do. Not to mention numerous art openings in galleries and at the Wall House Museum, where the current exhibit of Haitian Art reminds us that all is not so simple or safe on other tropical islands.

In spite of its pitfalls, Saint Barth remains a prime tourist destination where glitz and glamour rub shoulders with the island's heritage. Step off the beaten path and visit Le Brigantin Museum in Gustavia, with its look at local life in days of yore — including the wonderful, recently-renovated scale model of a Saint Barth "kaz" and its out-buildings by artist Pascal Foy. Or wander across the street and visit Jenny May and her Happy Bears in the little blue house on the water. Or make an appointment to visit La Domaine Félicité in Public, where a restored cottage and fabulous gardens await you.

This is the final edition of The Weekly for the season, so we wish you a fabulous spring and summer, wherever your travels may take you. And of course, we look forward to seeing you again sometime soon, as the pull of Saint Barth is sure to bring you back sometime very soon!

Ellen Lampert Gréaux

An Insect Hotel At Fort Carl



Local school kids have been improving the site of Fort Carl in Gustavia. After refurbishing the plaque presenting the mancenillier tree and other informational signage that marks the way for walkers, the students in Nathalie Galou's CM2 class installed an insect "hotel" on Thursday March 14. The project is part of the Educational Territorial Area, created in collaboration with the ATE (Territorial Environmental Agency).

The "hotel" is a wooden structure divided into seven compartments of varying dimensions, in which the students can place a wide variety of elements (wood, stone, straw, clay pots, salvaged items, etc.). The system is

designed to attract and house a variety of insects over the long term. "On the one hand, it will create a refuge for some of the most fragile species, create egg-laying surfaces, attract certain pollinators, and increase the presence of auxiliary insect species (to combat parasitism of certain plants, for example)," explains ATE. "This hotel will also be a tool for assessing the Fort's overall health in terms of the number and variety of insects present in the structure." And for the students, the project will continue, with the possibility of regularly checking the number of insects checking into the "hotel," in order to keep track of those that have chosen to occupy it on a long-term basis.

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Walking distance to beach. Terrasse w/partial sea view. 1st unit w/ 2bd, 1ba, living room and kitchen. 2nd unit w/ 2 bd, 1 ba + indep bungalow. Renovation works to be done. Great potential.

APT SVA2, GUSTAVIA

NEW LISTING

€ 3,150,000



One-bd apt in private residence. Harbour view. Walking distance to restaurants, shops and beach. Floor surface : 56 sqm. Terrace : 26 sqm. 2 parking spaces. Sold before completion. Delivery expected in 2027. Lot of 8 apts for sale.

VILLA MBO, LORIENT

URGENT

€ 6,900,000



Three-bd property. Panoramic ocean view. Sunset. Terrace. Pool. Walking distance to beach and supermarket. Multiple bungalows. Garage. Land : 2150 sqm. Various possibilities : renovate / extend or build a 6-bedroom villa or 2 small.

HOUSE MAB, MARIGOT

PRICE REDUCTION

€ 1,457,500



Traditional house w/ living room, separate kitchen 2bd, 1ba. Floor surface : 70 sqm. Flat plot of land : 295 sqm. Possibility to extend by 20 sqm. Partial sea view over the lagoon of Grand Cul de Sac. Outside parking.

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The Book & Jazz Festival by Saint-B'Art association

Jazzing Things Up

The annual Jazz Festival, organized by the association Saint-B'Art, opened last Saturday with a hot show by singer/songwriter Thomas Khan at L'Esprit restaurant. His passion may be more Soul than Jazz, but Thomas Khan has all it takes to erase the frontiers that separate musical styles, especially for purists. As a result, this talented singer/songwriter/composer was invited to open the Jazz Festival this year.

Referred to as "the little prince of modern soul" by Rolling Stone magazine, Thomas Khan first came to the public's attention in 2015 when he appeared on The Voice. Since then, he's come a long way, without straying too far from his musical ambitions. "It's great to be considered 'the little prince of soul,' but I'm also up against masters, legends, and myths of music," he declared in an interview with Toute La Culture magazine. For me, this is my first recognition, but there's still a long way to go.

In another interview, the artist gives his definition of the stage: "On a tour, there was a lot of carpet on the floor, and it was like being in your living room. Today there are no carpets, but on stage, what I get is the feeling of being in a living room, surrounded by people." He sees music as a space



of freedom. "My job, singing, is synonymous with freedom," he assures us. "The music I present on stage is soulful and modern. I am inspired by artists like Lee Fields and Otis Redding. There's an energy. Soul music really connects with the audience. There's really a strong and very important exchange, with happy or sad emotions."

The Annie Lalalove Quartet is next up with concerts at Eddy's on March 28, Tropical Hotel on March 29, and Gyp Sea Hotel on March 30. The V.H. Sambin Sextet closes the Festival, with Caribbean-infused notes, on April 4 at Le Barthélemy, April 5 at the Saint Barth Yacht Club (in Public), and April 6 at Arawak.

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▮ Saturday, March 30

- 7:30pm at Gyp Sea Hotel, Annie Lalalove Quartet.

▮ Wednesday, April 3

- 6pm-8pm at Wall House Museum kiosk: master class for local musicians with the V. H. Sambin Sextet.

▮ Thursday, April 4

- 7:30pm at Le Barthélemy V. H. Sambin Sextet

▮ Friday, April 5

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▮ Saturday, April 6

- 7pm at Arawak, closing night concert: V. H. Sambin Sextet.

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SAINT-BARTH REAL ESTATE *Guide*



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After our special issues dedicated to the hurricane season and the Paprec Transat, a guide to cultural and sporting activities, and the Saint-Barth Weekly, Le Journal de Saint-Barth has now published Saint-Barth Real Estate Guide.

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What's Your New Address ?

On Wednesday, February 28, the Collectivité published an online database of new addresses where every resident can find their exact street name and number. This is a positive evolution for the island, even if the origin of some of the street names has been questioned.

Who lives where, and in what neighborhood... the publication of this "online address database" marks the progressive end of a rather casual, if at all, address system on the island. Going forward however, every resident now has an exact address, the result a project that started under the former local government and was completed over the past two years, led by territorial council member Fabrice Querrard, who was entrusted with this task by president Xavier



Lédée when he first took office.

In addition to pinpointing the precise location of each home, the new address system will facilitate the job of firefighters, postal workers, police, and delivery personnel. In the meantime, a few additional nameplates will provide

further details on the origin of the names assigned, for those who are curious enough to wonder. To discover your address, simply log on to the official website "adresse.data.gouv.fr" and search for Saint-Barthélemy.

SAINT BARTH AND ITS BIODIVERSITY :

The Clymene Dolphin

(short-snouted spinner dolphin)

Each week, Le Journal de Saint-Barth, in partnership with the Territorial Environmental Agency (ATE), invites you to discover a local species (fauna or flora, terrestrial, or marine) that makes up the vast biodiversity of the island. This week, the Clymene dolphin (Stenella clymene).

• Where is it found?

The Clymene Dolphin lives in the tropical and subtropical waters of the Atlantic Ocean, at depths of 250 to 5,000 meters.

• What are its characteristics?

Its length averages 1.8 to two meters, while its weight varies between 80 and 90 kilos. It has a short beak (the rostrum) and a dorsal fin. Its back is covered by a dark cape that dips in two points above the eyes, while its sides are light gray and the belly is white. Its life expectancy is



estimated at 20 years. It feeds primarily at night, eating mollusks and fish.

• Do you know?

Its name comes from Clymène, an Oceanid daughter of Oceanos

and Téthys, a character in Greek mythology to whom Paul Verlaine dedicated a poem entitled "A Clymène" in his collection Les Fêtes Galantes. "This dolphin is a real acrobat," says the Dolphine website. "It is not afraid to approach ships; in fact, it even swims in front of them. It lives in groups of 60-80 individuals, although groups of 150 have been observed."

A New App For The Island



Not everyone in Saint Barth is a master of social media. As a result, in order to assemble and share practical information concerning the Collectivité, as well as updates on their activities, the Collectivité has launched its own app, free for all smartphones.

To create their app, the Collectivité turned to the app developer, Neocity, which provides custom-designed services for more than 460 cities and towns in France. In Saint Barthélemy, as explained by Fabrice Querrard, the territorial council member responsible for digital development, the app developer saw a majority of its boxes checked by Collectivité. "The app is not yet complete," notes Querrard. "But it is important to stress that the app is ever-evolving, both in terms of its content and functionality."

Users can find information specific to the Collectivité, an interactive map, a calendar of events,



details of local life, and public works in progress, as well as a tab enabling them to report problems or suggest ideas. "There's also a shortcut to government services for reporting commercial disputes," explains Querrard, who adds: "We will shortly integrate a link to the cyber-brigade." This

service is mainly for reports of violence people may have suffered or observed.

In addition, an "emergencies" tab allows users to be alerted in real time in the event of a weather threat (hurricane or other). "I suggest activating the notifications, but particularly this one," insists Querrard. For now, the 850 or so people who have already downloaded the app can choose either French or English as their user language. "Portuguese will also be available in a few weeks," Querrard comments, pointing out the addition of an environmental section created with the ATE (Territorial Environmental Agency). "Our goal is for Saint Barth to become the digital counterpart of Dubai and Singapore," says Querrard. This would mean that the app would benefit from maximum efficiency. But first things first. For now, while the application is now up and running, it still has to evolve progressively.

Gelliceaux, Winner Of 2024 Bucket Regatta

And what a year it was for the St Barth Bucket: The 30th edition* for this impressive regatta featuring a fleet of 30 fabulous sailboats over 90' in length in the race and a few additional beauties, such as Maltese Falcon, making a social appearance. The weather was stupendous with barely a cloud in the sky for the three days of racing on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, March 22, 23, and 24. The Port of Gustavia put its best foot forward welcoming the 1,000+ owners, skippers, sailors, and friends who make Bucket week one of the busiest weeks of the year on this tiny island.

The winds were favorable all weekend, allowing the boats to quickly circumnavigate the island, especially on Sunday's final counter-clockwise "Wrong Way Around" races, that ranged in length from 18 to 24 nautical miles. "In the seven classes sailing, no one was a shoe-in to win," reports the Bucket organizers, "but four teams — Velsheda in Les Elegantes, Freya in Les Petites Dames, Nakupenda in Les Mademoiselles, and Melek in L'Esprit 2 — had it somewhat easier going into today due to perfect scorelines of 1-1, and each won again on Sunday, claiming their



class victories.

The big winner is Gelliceaux, with a scoreline of 1-3-3, taking the coveted Bucket Trophy award for being the yacht that prevailed in the class with the closest, most competitive racing. That class was L'Esprit 1, with six teams competing. "The regatta was everything we expected," said Gelliceaux's captain Clive Walker, explaining that it was the boat's first regatta ever. "We sailed well on day one to win, while things didn't work out as well on day two. Today, we spotted a squall coming over the island, tacked and sailed toward it, and got a big shift that paid off big." Along the way to crossing the finish line in first place, Gelliceaux blew out its Code Zero and ultimately received a 30% penalty.

Close by a point was Hetairos, whose captain, Simon Hill, reflected on the regatta: "Sadly we didn't win the overall Bucket, however we are very proud to win our highly competitive class again this year. The boat was in New Zealand 10 weeks ago so to have a boat in St Barths, sailing at such a high level is such a testament to our whole team from the permanent crew, race crew, and our whole support team." Hetairos also took



first place in the Performance Ouverts class after dual scoring was applied.

The Stewards of the Bucket Regatta are Royal Huisman and Vitters Shipyard, while Industry Friends of the Bucket are Baltic Yachts, BOAT International Media,

Burgess, BWA Yachting, Doyle Sailmakers, Dykstra Naval Architects, Edmiston, Fraser Yachts, The Moorings, North Sails, Pantaenius, Pendennis Shipyard, Perini Navi, Perrier-Jouet Champagne, Riela Yachts, Safe Harbor Marinas, Southern Spars, Tradewind Aviation, and ZIS Bespoke Insurance.

Next year's Bucket is scheduled for March 13-16, 2025.

*The first St Barth Bucket was in 1995; the regatta was cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid.

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Wimco's Easter Egg Hunt



On Easter Sunday, March 31, Wimco Real Estate is organizing an ecological egg hunt at four locations around the island. The concept is as follows: 20 golden eggs will be hidden, each containing a gift card for a toy worth 20 euros. For each golden egg found, 10 euros will be donated in the child's name to the Territorial Environment Agency. In addition, participants can choose to donate the value of the toy to the ATE, bringing the total donation to 30 euros per egg found. The organizers warn that this is not an ordinary egg hunt.

Children have to collect two pieces of trash before they can take part. The "Wimco Real Estate Easter Egg Hunt" starts at 11am sharp and finishes at 11.30am.

A Wimco Real Estate representative will be waiting for participants at 10:50am at each of the following locations: The entrance to Shell Beach in Gustavia; the Gouverneur beach parking lot; and two spots on Saint Jean beach (the first at the airport entrance before Pearl Beach and the second next to Nikki Beach). Happy Hunting!

Camping On The Beach!



As tempting as it may sound to live like Robinson Crusoe on the beach, the only weekend when camping is legally authorized is Easter. A popular tradition in Saint Barth, many families or groups of friends pack up their cars and head to the beach, sometimes for a long weekend stretching from Thursday through Easter Monday. Tents and tarps pop up and tantalizing aromas beckon from the BBQ's. But please keep in mind that this freedom comes with its own rules and regulations. Fishing is still prohibited in the marine reserve areas around the island, even if you are camping on the nearby shore. Fires on the ground are not allowed; and dogs are prohibited. Please keep the music volume down and respect areas along the beach that are designated as nesting zones or where there is delicate vegetation: do not place tents in these areas or harm the plants. It is also forbidden to collect sand, coral, sea urchins, sand dollars, etc... And most impor-

tantly, be sure to take all of your trash when you leave the beach and throw it away in the numerous trash bins provided along the roads. The island depends on all campers to do their part!

Easter Week

at The Anglican Church

Maunder Thursday, March 28:

Last Supper*

6pm-6.45pm: An informal service of Holy Communion, just as Jesus did with his disciples.

Good Friday, March 29:

• 11am - 12 noon: In Front of the Cross**

The events of Good Friday will be told in readings, with silence and hymns

• 12 noon-12.30pm: Stations of the Cross, Follow Christ's journey as depicted on the Church's 14 Stations of the Cross

Easter Day, Sunday, March 31:

Celebration Eucharist** :

9.30am-10.30am: Traditional Easter Service, followed by drinks, canapés, and an egg hunt

*Also accessible via Zoom

**Also live-streamed

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TIME OUT

Where to go dancing? See an art exhibit? Listen to live music? Time Out keeps you up to date on local happenings. Let's party !

Cabaret

• Dinner cabaret show at 9pm @ Ti St Barth

Night Club

@ Modjo St-Jean
@ Casa Night Club

Live Music

► Thursday March 28

Jazz Festival Schedule

• 7:30pm at Eddy's:
Annie Lalalove Quartet

- Jungle night by DJ Tommy Glasses live set and explore a painting exhibition by Lily Blue at Beach House at Rosewood Le Guanahani
- Back to the 2000, Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5pm - 7pm at Christopher Hotel
- Live music by TStella & Laurent from 7pm at l'Arawak, Gustavia
- Live Music with The Shamans Duo from 7:30 pm at restaurant Amis St. Barth
-After Work Monday to Friday 5pm-7pm at Modjo
- Private Showcase with DJ set by Klingande at Romi restaurant, Tropical Hotel.
► Friday, March 29

Jazz Festival Schedule

• 7:30pm at Le Tropical,
Annie Lalalove Quartet.

- Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5 - 7pm at Christopher hotel
- Aperio is French with DJ Sébastien Roche at Arawak café, Gustavia
- Desiderata in live at Romi restaurant (Tropical Hotel) from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.
-After Work Monday to Friday 5pm-7pm at Modjo
- Live Music with Stella, from 7pm at Pearl Beach
► Saturday, March 30
- Live Music by Brown

Jazz Festival Schedule

• 7:30pm at Gyp Sea Hotel, Annie Lalalove Quartet.

Sugar from 7pm at Arawak
- Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5 - 7pm at Christopher hotel
- Chess Hour, 3pm-6pm with Jeff Follner @Arawak
- Saturday Live from 11am to 7pm with the tunes of the resident DJ and Saxophonist, at Nikki Beach
-After Work Monday to Friday 5pm-7pm at Modjo
- Evening guinguette with pétanque court at Peter Mc Cool Irish Pub, St-Jean
► Sunday, March 31

Wimco's Easter egg Hunt

Wimco Real Estate is organizing an ecological egg hunt at four locations around the island.

- Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5 - 7pm at Christopher hotel
- Amazing Sunday. A journey through the rhythm of live music under the sun! 12pm - 7pm @ Nikki Beach
- Musical weekends with Sweet Pan SXM 2pm - 5pm at Manapany Hotel
- DJ Set by Laura de Shamans, 1pm - 3pm on the beach, at Amis St. Barth Le Barthélemy
- Live Music with The Shamans Duo from 7:30pm at Amis St. Barth, Le Barthélemy
-After Work Monday to Friday 5pm-7pm at Modjo
► Monday, April 1st
- Hora Feliz, come dance Salsa, Bachata, kizomba and other dances cubaines from 7pm @Arawak café
- Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5 - 7pm at Christopher hotel
- For an Italian Aperitivo, Soley will be entertaining us with lyrics and guitar like. 07.30pm-10.30 pm at

Al Mare Ristorante, Sereno Hotel

► Tuesday, April 2

- Orange Vibes with DJ Set, from 5 to 7pm at Christopher St Barth,
- Live Music with The Shamans Duo from 7 :30pm at Amis St. Barth restaurant
Eveny Tuesdau White dinner from 7pm with DJ Set Sébastien Roche at Gyp Sea Beach Club.

► Wednesday, April 3

- Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5 - 7pm at Christopher hotel
- Cinema club at Christopher, Pointe Milou
- Live Music with The Shamans Duo from 7 :30pm at Amis St. Barth restaurant
► Thursday, April 4

Jazz Festival Schedule

• 7:30pm at Le Barthélemy
V. H. Sambin Sextet

- Back to the 2000', Orange Vibes with DJ Set, 5pm - 7pm at Christopher Hotel
- Live Music from 7pm at Arawak, Gustavia
- Live Music with The Shamans Duo from 7:30 pm at restaurant Amis St. Barth
- Night under the stars by Maxime Cheval feat guest DJ from 9pm at Le Toiny Beach Club, Toiny
-After Work Monday to Friday 5pm-7pm at Modjo
► Friday, April 5

Jazz Festival Schedule

• 7:30pm at Saint-Barth Yacht Club (beach bar-beque in Public):
V. H. Sambin Sextet

► Saturday, April 6

Jazz Festival Schedule

• 7pm at Arawak, closing night concert:
V. H. Sambin Sextet.

Monthly Market in Gustavia

As Sunday, April 7 is the first Sunday of the month, it means that the Saint Barth Street Market will take place in Rue Général-de-Gaulle from 8am-12pm. Merchants sell food, clothing, jewelry, and baked goods, etc.

Exhibitions

- Hunt Slonem, Ulf Saupe, Hannah Polskin, Marco Glaviano, Riz Riz Rizz and more! at Space Gallery St Barth
- Through June 1st : «Haiti, The Soul Of A Country,» at The Wall House Territorial Museum.

Kay Quattrocchi: A Retrospective

The various periods of her work can be seen thru April 11 at Le Barthélemy Hotel.

- Something About The Sea by Tony Caramanico at Summum Gallery
- Preserve the Heritage and History of St-Barthélemy @ Le Brigantin, Gustavia.
- Group exhibition of painting by Giorgio Pasqualetti, Nadia Fanelli, Victor Matthews and photography by Marco Glaviano and Isabelle Lindbergh at Jacques Zolty boutique & Le Sereno by Space Gallery
- Paintings by Remy De Haenen and photography by Hugh Arnold and Dirk Braun at La Kala by Space Gallery



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