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**DPNR AND *FRIENDS OF EAST END MARINE PARK*
CALL FOR ARTISTS REMINDER**

Commissioner Jean-Pierre L. Oriol of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources reminds the community that the Division of Coastal Zone Management invites artists to create and submit ocean inspired artwork for the territories first annual VI CORAL REEF WEEK (CRW), scheduled for June 29 - July 5, 2024.

“We invite community members and artists of all mediums and all ages to explore the connection between the ocean and Crucian heritage. From paintings to sculptures, photographs to digital art, every medium is a canvas to showcase the beauty and significance of coral reefs, said Your creations will not only highlight the natural wonders of the sea but also contribute to the awareness and appreciation of our precious marine ecosystems.

Art will be displayed at the CRW Kickoff Event at Levels from 5:00pm-7:00pm on June 29th, followed by additional viewing at the Caribbean Museum Center for the Arts from 9:00am – 4:00pm July 2nd – 6th.

Submissions must be received by June 21st at 5pm at one of the following locations:
East End Marine Park Office 5005 Estate Great Pond Christiansted, VI 0082
Department of Planning & Natural Resources 45 Mars Hill DPNR Coastal Zone Management
Office Frederiksted, VI 00840

Up to three submissions per person will be accepted until space is filled. For questions or further interest, please contact Alex Fireman at alex.fireman@dpmr.vi.gov/340-718-3367