Art by the Sea V.I. event description

At Art by the Sea V.I., the community will be able to learn about up-cycling by turning everyday trash into useable art. Marine debris, or trash that has entered our waters has become an extensive problem. While beach clean-ups are great at removing trash from our beaches, placing that trash back into a soon-to-be full landfill does not address the issue. Art by the Sea V.I.’s focus is to create an outlet for finding ways to recycle our trash to reduce our impact on the environment.

Our activities are merged with the STT/STJ Agricultural Food Fair. We will have several tents set up where you will be able to take part in the following activities:

Water sports

- Tents will be located on Brewers Bay beach where interested persons can kayak, stand-up paddle board, and snorkel.
- These will be FREE of charge to the user.

Re-cycled art projects

- Stations where interested persons can assist an artist with the creation of a mural, sculpture, or various arts and craft projects.
- These will utilize fabric, paints, glass, plastics, and aluminium.

Sea life touch tanks

- Stations where interested persons can observe and interact with various marine life (mostly invertebrates).

Marine debris costume show

- Schools can create up to “3” costumes utilizing recyclable materials. Each entry should be on display and should be able to be worn by a student during the judging section. Costumes will be judged based on the following criteria:
  1. *Creativity:* How well the student is able to incorporate different recyclable materials into an original/innovative costume.
  2. *Message:* The student should be able to articulate the importance of their costume as it relates to marine debris as well as convincing the judges (audience) of why we should be concerned about the issue.
  3. *Delivery:* How effective the message was delivered to the audience (composure, eye contact, voice projection, for example).