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81C is hosting a single-day pop-up art exhibition featuring artist and clothing line founder Keisha Augustine on Sunday, October 10 from 3 to 10 p.m. Exhibited artwork by Ms. Augustine will be on view and for sale, along with *Sex Heals* t-shirts from the artist's upcoming clothing line. Guests will have the opportunity to meet Ms. Augustine, discuss her work, shop for art, and enjoy complimentary beverages.

In addition to Ms. Augustine's pop-up exhibition, III – A group art exhibition featuring Ieshia George, Jasmine Lindquist, and Jenny Hawkes will be on-view in the 81C gallery. This is a dynamic show, featuring all local artists.



Artwork by Keisha Augustine (Submitted by 81C)

This event is also being promoted as a networking opportunity for local artists.

Event details: Sunday, October 10th, 3 to 10 p.m.

Artist statement:

"I am the woman of many trades, maximizing riches from all categories. I am on a mission to motivate a generation and feed a nation. I create textiles, paintings, poetry, logos, and so much more. As I focus on paintings and logos in this season of my career, I seek to illustrate the beauty of imperfections, colors, and uniqueness. My art can morph into different ideas depending on the perspective of the viewer in an inclusive, free, and respectful way. It is my desire that my craft bring joy, life, energy, and health to any environment. Creating this type of unique, lively, colorful, and abstract art takes a long period of time with intervals of rest. I challenge myself to always break down one piece into several pieces and still maintain a unique result. Part of the process revolves highly on the ability to see and learn something new in each day that is presented to me as an artist. Lastly, I am inspired by God's diverse and unique creations. It is God's confidence which pushes me as an artist to stand firm in the uniqueness of my work." -Keisha Augustine

Sex Heals Clothing Line:



Portrait by Keisha Augustine
(Submitted by 81C)

“The words sex heals has floated around for some time now, however, I chose to create a design that embodied the idea. From whichever angle that it is approached, whatever your perspective may be, *Sex Heals* is all inclusive and integral. From gender to what is known as the most intimate interaction between humans, “Sex Heals” is the basis of it all. The question is, what is your perception of *Sex Heals*?”

Artist bio:

Keisha Augustine is an artist and clothing line founder living in the Virgin Islands. Creating textiles, paintings, poetry, logos, and more, she is on a mission to fulfill her destiny. In high school, her art teacher caught a glimpse of who she would become. Ignoring the revelation, she continued her journey to become an English Teacher. As she began to take art electives to complete her English degree at Queens College, she came full circle with her high school teacher’s insight on her ability to create visual art. With the encouragement of her professor, she started pushing her craft to new heights. She believes that being an artist is something that one is born to do and not something just learned at school. After she graduated college, she continued to study her craft by learning through trial and error while studying the works of God and nature, as he uses color to brighten creation. Her biggest influence, therefore, is God’s paintbrush because she believes that he is the master artist. Getting closer to God has opened her eyes on who she was, and who she was created to be.

Location: 81C – Downtown Charlotte Amalie. Strand Gade between waterfront and Market Square. Right around the corner from Moe’s Grocery on waterfront. Visit www.81CVI.com for a map link. Or google 81C Virgin Islands.

About 81C:

81C is an event venue and art gallery in historic downtown Charlotte Amalie. The space is available for private and public pop-up event rentals. 81C was launched by entrepreneur Zack Zook after several years of renovation and restoration to the (circa 1810) building located at 81C Kronprindsens Gade. The space is currently operated by Joseph Hewes, Augustin Kelvin Holder, and Zack Zook. Visit www.81CVI.COM

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