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# Tattoo artist turns to acrylics for "Coming Up for Air"

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An art exhibition by local artist and entrepreneur Kristin Forbes-Mullane, titled "Coming Up for Air," will open Saturday from 5 p.m. to midnight at the historic downtown Charlotte Amalie event venue 81C.

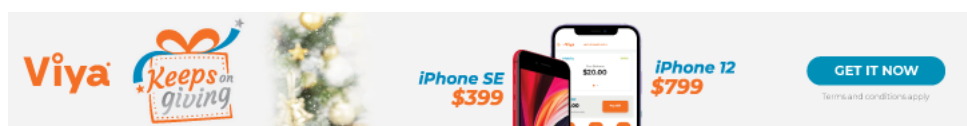
Born in Phoenix, Ariz., and living on St. Thomas, Forbes-Mullane, owner of Salt of the Earth Tattoo in Royal Dane Mall, is a self-taught, fine art acrylic painter. She began painting in 2000 and has since shown her work in galleries around the U.S. and has been featured in numerous publications.

Known for its life-like qualities and exceptional details, Forbes-Mullane's work is often humorous, featuring curious subject matters.

"My acrylic paintings have always been mainly portraits and still life," she said. "I gravitate to themes of the dark and macabre, working to blend the beautiful and the ugly to create a narrative of wonder and curiosity."

Saturday's celebratory event not only commemorates the "Coming Up for Air" exhibition, it also marks the one-year anniversary of 81C and the five-year anniversary of Salt of the Earth. Costumes and creative attire are highly encouraged. Complimentary wine will be served for a suggested donation.

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