

A Caribbean evening at the Château de Prangins



Tuesday, 28 November 2023

Château de Prangins Avenue Général Guiguer, 3 1197 Prangins, Vaud



An evening in support of the association

Caribaea Initiative

Art exhibition - Alain Thomas

Caribaea Initiative - Suisse is honored to present an exhibition of the artist's work related to biodiversity at the Château de Prangins.



Alain Thomas received the medal of Chevalier dans l'ordre national du Mérite for all of his work. Born in Nantes (France), he is recognized as the leader of "naïve-primitive" painting. For the past 55 vears. he has been painting lush gardens inspired by the Amazon rainforests and populated by extraordinary animals and birds. His work consists of a series of original paintings in an intimate format, but with a powerful and singular poetic charge. Alain Thomas has successfully exhibited internationally: Paris, New York, Chicago, Palm Beach, Seoul, Shanghai and Tokyo. Sensitive to the preservation of natural environments and the protection of endangered species, Alain Thomas is supported in his approach bv organizations linked to the protection of nature (LPO, WWF, National Museum of Natural History of Paris).

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The Caribbean islands are home to a large number of animal and plant species, many of them being unique in the world. This biodiversity is exposed to various threats such as climate change or deforestation. It is urgent to develop a network of local experts to study and protect this natural heritage.

Since its creation, Caribaea Initiative has trained young Caribbean researchers and developed various research and education programmes, thus contributing to a significant increase in knowledge for better biodiversity protection.



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18:30 Caribbean cocktails Exhibition of the artwork of the painter Alain Thomas Salle des belles pierres

19:30 Presentation of Caribaea Initiative & Panel on Biodiversity

Salle des belles pierres

- Prof. Alain Sandoz, President of Caribaea Initiative
- Testimonies from Caribaea Initiative students
- Elise Beaufils, Deputy Head of Sustainability Research, Banque Lombard Odier & Cie
- Marie-Laure Salles, Director, Geneva Graduate Institute (Moderator)

20:15 Dinner

Café du Château

- 22:00 Special Performance by Licia Chery, singer, writer and RTS presenter Café du Château
- 23:00 End of the evening

An evening organised by Vera Michalski-Hoffmann, President of Caribaea Initiative - Suisse, to support research and conservation actions in the Caribbean

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Access by car

Freeway A1: from Geneva exit Nyon, from Lausanne exit Gland, then follow the signs. Parking "Les Abériaux" available along the Route Suisse, Port de Prangins. Pleasant 5-minute walk to the château from the parking lot via the Abériaux meadow.

A bus drop-off point is available at the entrance near the Route du Clos.

Public transport TPN bus 805 or 811 from Nyon SBB station (approx. 10-minute)



Funds raised will support Caribaea Initiative in training young researchers and safequarding biodiversity in the Caribbean. Your contributions are tax deductible. If you cannot attend and would like to make a donation we would be very grateful.