

Briefs

Island Green sponsors Raffle

For the fifth year, nonprofit Island Green Living is celebrating Earth Month by giving entrants an opportunity to win a seven-night "Love City Grand Prize Vacation."

The vacation lodgings are at a five-bedroom, beachfront villa, a tropical retreat including a private pool, garden and direct beach access, along with jeep rental, donated by board member Donald Schnell and his wife, Deborah. There is also air transportation, dining, excursions and shopping.

Earth Month raffle entries are priced at \$50 a chance, six chances for \$250, or 25 chances for \$1,000, and are available at bit.ly/42mqgUL.

The raffle period ends at midnight on Wednesday, April 30. The winner will be randomly drawn and announced via Facebook in early May and the winner will be notified by email.

Every raffle entry strengthens the organization's sustainability initiatives including their vital ocean-bound plastics recycling program.

"We are so grateful for the generosity of Donald and Deborah Schnell for use of their exceptional Beach Villa, the USVI Department of Tourism, and all our incredible partners," said Harith Wickrema, board president. "We encourage everyone to patronize these businesses. Their support empowers Island Green to continue our ocean-bound plastics and aluminum recycling and other sustainable initiatives."

So far, Island Green has collected 120,000-plus pounds of ocean-bound plastics since its inception in February 2022 and more than 4.2 million aluminum cans.

The Resource Depot, St. John's only reuse store, has saved 1,000,000 pounds of pre-owned building materials, furnishings, and clothing from the landfill.

Get Trashed cleanup Saturday

Get Trashed St. John will celebrate its 10-year anniversary with a cleanup starting at 10 a.m. Saturday at the basketball courts across from E&C. Trash will be collected from the Marketplace to the top of Jacob's Ladder. Sam and Jacks will host the after party starting at 11 a.m.

Bags, gloves, trash grabs, cold beer and canned water will be provided. Bring water, sun protection, and a friend.

Arts school hosts dance teacher

Internationally recognized dancer Manwe Sauls-Addison will be a guest teacher at the St. John School of the Arts throughout the month of April. Sauls-Addison, who trained with the Alvin Ailey Conservatory, will offer a variety of classes for adults and children.

Sauls-Addison has performed with Beyonce', Jennifer Lopez, Lady Gaga, Liza Minelli, Michael Jackson, and others. His resume includes teaching at the Broadway Dance Centers in New York and Japan and dance schools in London and Rome.

For adults, Sauls-Addison will teach an energetic dance class today at 11:30 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.

For children ages 10 and up, Sauls-Addison will teach a one-hour Street Dance class at 3:30 p.m. today and continuing on Thursday April 17 and April 24.

For children ages 7-10, Sauls-Addison will teach a one-hour Jazz Performance class at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Next classes will be held April 16 and April 23.

Each class costs \$20, and all proceeds support the St. John School of the Arts' Middle School Dance program. For more information, call the St. John School of the Arts at **340-779-4322**.

Coral Bay Yacht Club's Chili Cook-off

Coral Bay Yacht Club will host a flotilla and chili cook-off Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Hansen Bay. Sample and savor unique chili creations. There will be a cash bar and 50/50 raffle. All proceeds will benefit youth sailing on St. John. Music by Laren and friends.

Come by boat or by car. Reserve a boat ride to the event from Coral Bay for \$40. Call **340-227-3260**.

'One Love' concert on St. John

Sing St. John will host its big spring "One Love" concert and dance party from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19, at Frank Powell Park in Cruz Bay, featuring Quelbe Resurrection.

Other performers include Echo People, bamboula dancer Raven Phillips, the St. John Recovery Choir, the Senior Singalong, and Ocamia Youth Choir. Admission is free.