

PRESS RELEASE

BARCOLANA51 PRESENTED BY GENERALI KICKS OFF: FLAG HOISTING CEREMONY AT SVBG TOMORROW AT 12 O'CLOCK

INAUGURATION OF SCART EXHIBITION AND "BARCOLANA - A SEA OF TALES" IN THE AFTERNOON

Trieste, 1 October 2019 – The traditional flag hoisting ceremony scheduled for tomorrow at 12 pm officially kicks off Barcolana51 presented by Generali. The Italian flag, the EU flag and the yacht club burgee will be hoisted at the SVBG club by the sea, accompanied by a bass band to mark the start of celebrations.

Mitja Gialuz, chairman of SVBG stated: "This ceremony is the only "intimate" moment Barcolana has, reserved to the club members of the organizing club. Even though we have been working for months now, tomorrow is the official kickoff of the Barcolana celebrations. The club is ready, as it has always been historically, to welcome sailors that join us in Trieste for the next ten days of celebrations".

Tomorrow will see the inauguration of two major events: the literary festival "Barcolana - Un mare di racconti (Barcolana – A sea of tales)" at 8 pm at Castello di San Giusto and the Scart exhibition at 6.30 pm at Palazzo della Regione in Piazza Unità.

Barcolana's literary festival will start tomorrow and will continue through to Sunday 6th October at Castello San Giusto and Cinema Ariston. The idea of this new event, explains Mitja Gialuz "Stems from the book published with Giunti for Barcolana50 which includes opinions and points of view on sailing and travelling. Putting that book together was an important, almost magical experience which we wanted to follow up on with the book's editor Alessandro Mezzena Lona who, this year, is director of the literary festival. The 5-day festival will bring together a range of speakers who will talk about the sea and sea culture, in a simple way, embracing everyone". The first speakers to take to the floor will be Italian director Pupi Avati and French writer Catherine Poulain. The latter has lived a first-hand experience at sea – she has worked on fishing boats in Alaska for ten years until the American immigration service detected her and expelled her because she did not have a work permit. Catherine Poulain will be presenting her book "Le Grand Marin" (The Great Sailor) (ed. Neri Pozza). Halfway between a travel story, an informative novel or mystic research on the relation between man and Nature, the book depicts a minute and stubborn woman who is not afraid of embarking on adventure. The Festival full programme is available at www.barcolana.it

Scart is the cultural event of Barcolana 51 which will be exhibited in the courtyard of the Region's Palazzo della Regione FVG (event co-organiser) from 3rd to 20th October. The exhibition will be open to the public until 20th October 2019.

SCART will show around 900 works of art produced by the Academies of Fine Arts in the past 20 years in the framework of its project to use waste material to create large pictures and installations.

UPDATE ON NUMBER OF ENTRIES – Over 700 boats have entered the Autumn Cup since registrations were officially opened six days ago at the SVBG Regatta Office. The number of people winning at the nautical raffle is also on the rise.

BARCOLANA BY BIKE - Pedalling through Barcolana. Bike lovers will be able to enjoy their “version” of Barcolana. Presented today in Muggia, this much awaited event is a non-competitive bike ride which will follow the regatta from land on 13th October. This is the third edition of Barcolana by Bike which will start from Trieste’s city centre, will ride along Muggia and its Riviera and it will end in Lazzaretto where bikers will be able to admire the fleet of boats as they sail round the first mark.

WHAT’S ON TOMORROW

12.00 pm Flag hoisting ceremony - Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano

6.30 pm Inauguration of exhibition “SCART: the nice and useful side of waste” - Palazzo della Regione

8.00 pm Inauguration of Festival “Barcolana – a sea of tales” - Castello di San Giusto

Inoltre alle 10.30 al ristorante Chimera di Bacco, il team Tempus Fugit, secondo classificato lo scorso anno, presenta il proprio progetto in vista della Barcolana.