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## Artists showcase artistic talents

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EMERGING artists and those more experienced have converged in Nadi for a week-long Art on the Island III at the Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa.

The art fest exhibition features new works by 40 artists from all over Fiji.

CreatiVITI's Maria Rova said more than 180 works by award-winning and emerging artists will be displayed and available for sale.

The event was launched on Saturday night by the French ambassador, Bouffand Eau.

"This is a very exciting thing for us as we have finally gone ahead with the third Art on the Island exhibition," Ms Rova said.

"The last one was held in 2004 at the Sheraton.

"The Art on the Island will give the artists their chance to show off their work as these are trying times for everyone.

"We have a mix of old and new faces in the art community."

Organised by CreatiVITI, Art on the Island III is a colourful proof that Fiji's burgeoning art scene continues to thrive, Ms Rova said.

She said the exhibition featured paintings, collages, drawings and sculptures in a diverse range of styles and material such as bark cloth, shells, native hardwood, oils, acrylics and pastels.

Art on the Island III is open to the public from June 29 to July 5, from 10am to 2pm and 3pm to 7pm.



Marita Brodie with her art display at Sofitel in Denarau

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