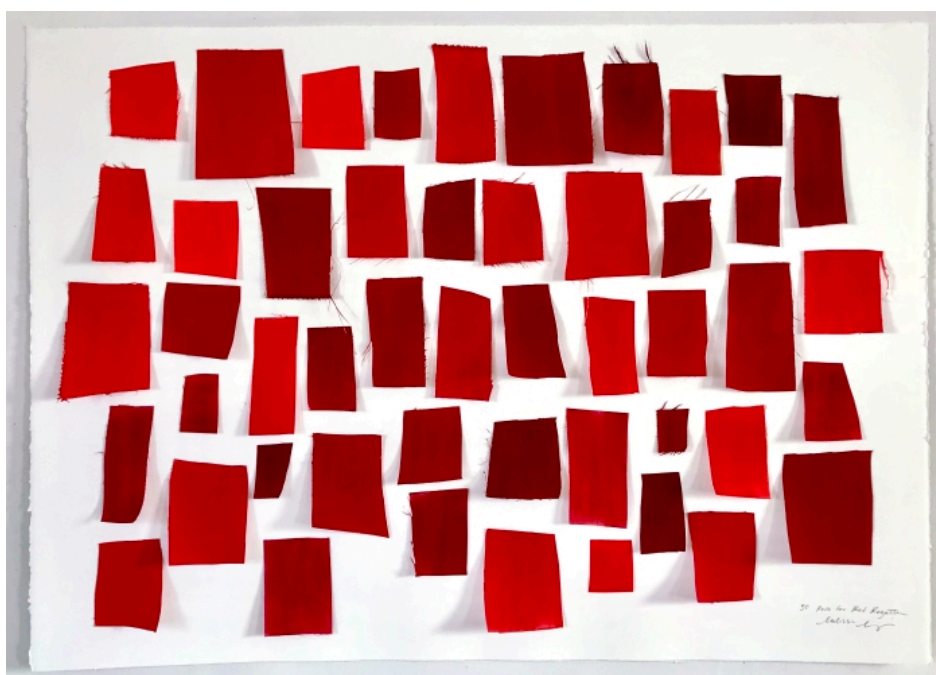


Red Alert

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Melissa McGill, an artist who lives in Beacon, was commissioned to create a public installation for the 58th Venice Biennale that she titled *Red Regatta* to signal concern about the effects of climate change, including sea-level rise, on the city.

Her piece involves a series of orchestrated regattas through November in Venice's lagoons and canals with 52 flat-bottomed vela al terzo sailboats. Each has a sail painted in one of 50 hues created by McGill:



McGill is shown painting the first sail at Atlas Studios in Newburgh:



And during a preview of the regatta on May 11 in Venice:



A handpainted photo, “Red Regatta (Coppa del Presidente della Repubblica)” (below), was displayed at Magazzino Italian Art in Philipstown, which co-organized the project:



Photos courtesy Magazzino Italian Art