

Letters

from the editor



It's summertime and the living is easy. So sit back and enjoy the ride as our intrepid team of contributors takes us on a journey that spans the globe.

In this issue, wine columnist Eunice Fried reveals the results of this year's Wines on the Wing survey. Paris Permenter and John Bigley discuss the hospitality industry's embrace of environmentally friendly policies and Mary Hunt takes us on a tour of Warsaw. Also in this issue, Richard Newton writes about Pretoria and Kenya, while Lydia Moss recalls time spent in Mexico City and Toby Salzman shares tips on spending a day in Abu Dhabi. Leif Pettersen explores Venice and Felicity Long writes about Denver. Erica Avedikian gives an up-close view of Raleigh-Durham and Barbara Radcliffe Rogers offers tips on kicking back in Andalucia, while Patrick Adams explores the meeting and convention options in Barcelona and Tarragona.

Lisa Matte
Editor in Chief

from the publisher



Our offices reflect our personalities and interests. At *Global Traveler* world headquarters in Yardley, Pa. the focus is, of course, on travel.

So, we were pleased when artist and friend Carolyn S. Goodridge agreed to create a piece of art for us? a work that reflects the world as global travelers see it.

Carolyn took an abstract image of a Boeing 747 wing — a strong image of technology — and juxtaposed it against the natural forms of clouds, ocean and sky. The wing floats in a turbulent sky above the ocean with a swath of chocolate brown beneath it to represent the tarmac below. Above the wing, a dramatic red sky representing the sun recalls the fable of Icarus who flew too close to the sun on wings attached with wax. Expanding on that theme, the work is done in organic beeswax on linen.

Like Icarus, your *Global Traveler* team will always strive to reach new heights, although we prefer to travel inside a 747 made of aluminum! As we explore the world, Carolyn welcomes inquiries from *Global Traveler* readers interested in commissioning their own one-of-a-kind piece of art. Contact her at www.goodridge@abstractpaintings.com.

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