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BON VOYAGE

Having just spent a relaxing weekend by the sea, mostly absorbing its almost instantly soothing effects, we find ourselves drawn to this abstract of (mostly) quiet stillness by Dorset artist Boo Mallinson. It's these sensuous encounters with the natural world, the change of light or the seasons, which form the starting point to her paintings. The calming colours, shot with jolts of black and vibrant burnt orange can't help but captivate your attention. Part of a mixed exhibition focusing on the symbolic power of the voyage, it's definitely worth the trip to Gay Street.

Heading Home I, by Boo Mallinson, is part of *Voyage* at Bath Contemporary, until 2 May at 35 Gay Street, Bath; www.bathcontemporary.com