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## AÉROPORTS DE MONTRÉAL: PARTNER OF MONTRÉAL'S PUBLIC ART PROGRAM

**Montréal, March 15, 2017 -** Aéroports de Montréal is pleased to be a featured partner of Art Public Montréal's web site and to draw attention to several original works of art incorporated into the architecture of Montréal-Trudeau airport.

"Public art is a way of recreating a vibrant and friendly atmosphere at Montréal-Trudeau Airport while displaying the artistic innovation and cultural vitality of Montréal," says President and CEO Philippe Rainville.

ADM sees Montréal-Trudeau not only as a reflection of the city, but also a cultural and artistic showcase. The Aerogalerie offers passengers and visitors a variety of Montréal-centred exhibitions in different parts of the terminal. Paintings by old masters and other works are also scattered throughout the terminal.

In addition, works by Montréal artists have been created specifically for the new section of the international terminal, which opened last May. The emphasis placed on visual arts and culture gives it a unique, Montréal-specific character.

The centrepiece is an installation made of glass hanging from the ceiling. Called *Veil of Glass*, it imitates a flock of large birds in flight while evoking the stained glass windows of Montréal. With its play of lights, this sculpture, designed by the firm Atomic 3, helps create a fun atmosphere in the terminal.

Elsewhere, two large works installed at the end of the large waiting area produce a striking effect. The mural *YULFLY* by Alain Paiement brings to mind the view that we have before landing or during take-off. It is a mosaic composed of countless iconic images of Montréal taken from the air. These images are printed on glass, backlit and arranged by colour to form a vast tableau.

The second piece, by Manon De Pauw, is entitled *The Incubator*. Illuminated from within, this cocoon calls for calm through the soft pulse that fills it, like breathing. It also alludes to the concept of business incubators, metaphorically referring to the creative spirit, vitality, and power of attraction that are unique to Montréal.

We site: Art Public <u>http://artpublicmontreal.ca/en/</u>

Video of the artists selected to produce these recently delivered works Yulfly: <u>http://bit.ly/2mK4RIT</u> Nuée de verre: <u>http://bit.ly/2mQAUHi</u> Incubateur: <u>http://bit.ly/2msjGgW</u>

## About Aéroports de Montréal

Aéroports de Montréal is the local airport authority that has been responsible for the management, operation, and development of the Montréal-Trudeau and Montréal-Mirabel international airports since 1992. The company employs 625 people at two airport sites.

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