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YYJ brings the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria to travellers

For more than a decade the Victoria Airport has displayed local artwork, and now they've teamed with the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria to take the art to the next level, literally.

"This is an exceptional opportunity for both parties. We learned that the AGGV required display space in preparation for their upcoming renovations and, we had just recently built an art display wall in the Upper Passenger Departure Lounge as part of our recent airport improvements. It assists the Gallery by providing needed space, it provides opportunity for local artists to exhibit their work, and it enhances the space and airport experience for our travellers. The arrangement is really a win-win." says Geoff Dickson – Victoria Airport Authority (VAA) President and CEO.

"We thank the Victoria Airport Authority for their dedication to bringing art to the community and their enthusiasm for working with us during the AGGV's renewal," says Jon Tupper, Director of the AGGV. "It's a stunning collection of local art that showcases our region and the skill and range of our artists."

The artwork displayed is available for sale and interested patrons can contact the AGGV at 250-384-4171or visit http://aggv.ca/rental-sales/fag for more information.

About Victoria International Airport:

Victoria International Airport (Airport code: YYJ) is the 10th busiest airport in Canada with over 1.64 million passengers per year. Victoria is well served with more than 120 daily flights throughout North America. YYJ was rated among one of the top ten most-loved airports by CNN Travel and is a past winner of "Best Regional Airport in North America" by Airports Council International.

The VAA's Art at the Airport Program began in 2001 from the belief art in public places provides opportunities for citizens to enjoy the arts in everyday life, enhances quality of life, and promotes community pride and identity. Today the airport has several pieces of commissioned work along the rotating art component through partnership with the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria, local community arts organizations and schools.

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