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CMH passengers enjoy local artist's take on earth and sky

New artwork by Columbus artist Kim Covell Maurer now on display

COLUMBUS – Artwork by Columbus artist Kim Covell Maurer is now on display in CMH's recently modernized Gateway to The Arts.

Working in the ancient painting medium of encaustic – a wax-based process requiring heat sources to bond each layer – Maurer uses methods of brushing, pouring, torching, carving, melting and incising.

"I am drawn to the nature of the wax to both reveal and conceal in predictable and unpredictable ways," Maurer says. "The body of work shown here is a quiet tumble through space with glimpses of earth and sky: downward views of sections of Columbus, upward views of the sky and the Milky Way, and magnified views of orchids which are, depending on the variety, nourished from either earth or air."

Maurer received her Bachelor of Arts from The Ohio State University and her Master of Arts with a studio emphasis from the Art Academy of Cincinnati. She was awarded a 2010 residency with TICA – Teachers in Contemporary Art – at The Art Institute of Chicago and a 2014 residency with Vermont Studio Center. Maurer was recently commissioned by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

She has exhibited in Columbus, Cincinnati and Chicago, and is represented by Studios on High Gallery.

In addition to the Gateway to the Arts, travelers enjoy several new art and visual features such as a walking timeline in the Legacy of Leadership lounges, a Notable Ohio Aviators exhibit, Roy Lichtenstein's Brushstrokes in Flight sculpture, a bronze Veterans monument, a medallion reflecting several of Columbus' icons and other rotating art displays featuring other local artists. The Columbus Regional Airport Authority collaborates with Ohio Art League to provide the Gateway exhibits. The space, next to Max & Erma's in the terminal, features a different local artist each quarter, enhancing the environment for travelers, customers and employees.

"We take pride in showcasing local artists to create a unique and exciting atmosphere," said Elaine Roberts, President & CEO for the Columbus Regional Airport Authority. "The artwork is noticed by many customers, and our newly modernized terminal is a great place to showcase our local talent and Columbus' culture."

Ohio Art League is a nonprofit, member-based organization for artists. Founded in 1909, OAL is the longest continually operating nonprofit art league in the state. The organization works strategically to help Ohio cultivate and retain top visual art talent while positioning the state as a hub for the arts.

For additional information about Port Columbus and its [art program](#), contact [Angie Tabor](#), Manager of Communications, at 614-239-4081. To learn more about Ohio Art League, please visit [OAL.org](#).

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