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Artwork encourages travelers to take in the minutiae
*Paintings by Columbus artist Leah Pusecker-Reynolds
now on display at John Glenn International*

COLUMBUS – Paintings by Columbus artist Leah Pusecker-Reynolds are now on display in John Glenn Columbus International Airport’s Gateway to the Arts.

“I am inspired by the places I travel and the people I meet,” explained Reynolds. “Behind each of my paintings is a unique story. I tell these stories to encourage viewers to take in the minutiae - talk to a stranger - ask a question - share their encounters through color and images. The scenes in my paintings depict many of my favorite places: Morocco, Spain, Nicaragua and the Bahamas, to name some. I hope these paintings provoke my audience to visually experience their travels - whether a business trip to Chicago or a once-in-a-lifetime vacation to Europe.”

Growing up in a family of artists – her parents met at Columbus Art School (now Columbus College of Art and Design) and her grandfather was well-known painter Ivan Pusecker – Reynolds always knew she’d be an artist and received her BFA in Graphic Design from Ohio University. She works in acrylic and oil pastel on Masonite, and she is also working on a novel. “It’s a work of fiction where secrets hide behind brushstrokes and lies lurk within a hand-carved frame,” she said.

The Columbus Regional Airport Authority works with the Ohio Art League to provide the Gateway to the Arts exhibits. The space, next to Max & Erma’s on the ticketing level, features a different Ohio artist each quarter, enhancing the environment for travelers, customers and employees.

“Collaborating with the Ohio Art League and local artists allows us to create an exciting and unique atmosphere in the Gateway to the Arts,” said Elaine Roberts, President & CEO for the Columbus Regional Airport Authority. “We get to showcase Ohio’s talent and culture while enhancing our customers’ experiences with artwork.”

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.

In addition to the Gateway to the Arts, travelers also enjoy other visual features such as a walking historical timeline in the Legacy of Leadership lounges, a Notable Ohio Aviators exhibit, Roy Lichtenstein’s Brushstrokes in Flight sculpture and a Veterans monument. Local musicians can be found entertaining travelers as part of the airport’s Melodies in Motion program.

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

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