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# SECT Cultural Coalition and the Connecticut Airport Authority Announce

# New Exhibit Opportunity at Groton - New London Airport

## Art at the Airport in Southeastern Connecticut

*Windsor Locks, Groton, New London, and Mystic, CT:* The Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition and Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) are planning to inaugurate an art in the airport program at Groton - New London Airport starting Fall 2017. The program's purpose is to showcase the region's uniqueness, history, industry, culture and geography through visual arts in the airport's main terminal located at 155 Tower Avenue in Groton.

## **Seeking Art Exhibition Managers**

The Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition and the CAA seek an arts or community organization, with desire and ability to take advantage of an off-site exhibit space that will engage new audiences, and who will voluntarily partner in this endeavor. The partner will identify, curate and manage wall displays of mounted and framed originals, reproductions and prints of paintings and photographs; and possibly arrange special events to promote such displays.

Art displays are popular with both airport guests and the media. Increasingly, airport art displays expand opportunities to promote regional artists to new audiences through social media.

As a recent example, Groton - New London Airport is hosting a collaborative collection of fiber art displayed on the terminal walls entitled the "Common Thread, Collective Art Project." The exhibit on view until October 31 has been well received and public response is very positive.

The terminal building at Groton - New London Airport is open daily from 7 am to 6 pm, and as needed to accommodate business operations. Busy season for the airport is typically April through mid-November. Terminal parking is easily accessible and free to the public.

#### An example of the layout and dimensions available for wall art exhibition space is:

- Sixteen (16) Horizontal Panels OD at 1' 11 1/2" by 1' 8 1/2"
  - Four (4) Vertical Panels
    OD 1' 7 1/2" by 2' 1/2"

55' total linear wall space allows for each panel to hang 8 inches away from the next.

## **Procedures to Submit a Proposal**

Send your letter of interest to: Wendy Bury, Executive Director, Southeastern CT Cultural Coalition, W.Bury@CultureSECT.org

## **Need More Information?**

For more information about this exciting initiative, contact: Catherine Young, Connecticut

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Photos of the 2017 'Common Thread' fiber art display at Groton - New London Airport.







