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Groton Art At the Airport Program Opens New London's ISAAC Students' Nationally Acclaimed Photography Exhibit

JANUARY 31, 2019 - NORWICH, CT - The Southeastern CT Cultural Coalition is pleased to announce the Art At the Airport program's winter exhibit "Community Faces," presented by the Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication, opening on February 1. The exhibit will be on view through April 30 at the Groton - New London Airport. There will be a reception for the public to meet the student artists on Thursday, February 21, from 6 to 7:30 pm at the airport, sponsored by the Southeastern CT Enterprise Region (seCTer), with a snow date of February 22.

The Art At the Airport 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 <u>155 Tower</u> <u>Avenue</u> in Groton. The Art At the Airport program is a partnership of the Cultural Coalition and the Connecticut Airport Authority.

Students from New London's Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication (ISAAC) created "Community Faces - Humanizing the Immigrant Label" - a project in which students wrote stories, took photos, shot videos and designed websites for a traveling exhibit and a book about sixteen local immigrants who came to the United States. The project was one of eighteen winning Better World Projects selected by a committee of Expeditionary Learning (EL) Education students, teachers, and leaders, from submissions across the country and featured at a national

conference. The exhibit at Groton - New London Airport will feature portraits from the project and includes interactive, mobile phone QR component for additional information.

Since its inception in 2017, the Art At the Airport program's purpose is to showcase the region's uniqueness, history, industry, culture and geography through visual arts in the airport terminal located at <u>155 Tower Avenue</u> in Groton. The program is a partnership of the Cultural Coalition and the Connecticut Airport Authority.

Groton - New London Airport's terminal is open daily from 7 am to 6 pm for public viewing of "Community Faces." Parking is easily accessible and free.

The Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition, a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, contributes to the cultural identity, economy and quality of life of Southeastern Connecticut by advocating and supporting arts, heritage, cultural and business activities and organizations. For more information about the Arts At the Airport program, visit <u>www.CultureSECT.org</u> (<u>http://culturesect.org/art-at-the-airport/</u>).



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