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See the Booth Western Art Museum at the Atlanta Airport

Atlanta – The Booth Western Art Museum, located in Cartersville, Georgia, recently installed an exhibit of Western American art at Atlanta’s Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. The exhibit, located between security and the T concourse, will remain on display through September 2007.

The exhibit is presented by the City of Atlanta Department of Aviation Art Program. The Gallery T display cases feature rotating exhibits of art and artifacts that change every nine to twelve months. The Booth Museum exhibit contains 40 paintings, 15 sculptures, 6 movie posters, and copies of 6 presidential portraits and letters.

Planning for the exhibit began in early 2006. The Booth Museum chose to divide the 140 foot, L-shaped display case into seven unique displays, each representing a gallery at the museum. Visitors with outgoing flights can view First Peoples, The Reel West, Modern West and Symbols of the West. First Peoples depicts Native American before and after the arrival of the white man and features several paintings by Native American artists. The Reel West features six movie posters used to promote Western movies through the years. Modern West puts a contemporary spin on tradition Western subjects, while Symbols of the West highlights several of the iconic subjects often seen in Western art – cowboys, Indians, trappers, and more.

Travelers flying into Atlanta can view Symbols of the West, The American Cowboy, Presidents and the West, and The Civil War. The American Cowboy features art of the cowboy at work, rest, and play. Presidents and the West features copies of six presidential portraits and letters of Presidents influential in expanding our nation westward or those having strong ties to the West. The Civil War shows the famous faces and battles from this historic war and explains how it effected the settlement and development of the West.

“We are pleased to share important works of art from our collection with the public through our partnership with the Atlanta Airport Art Program,” said Seth Hopkins, executive director of the Booth Western Art Museum. “Our goal is to enlighten travelers on the variety of topics of which the Booth Western Art Museum focuses its collecting, including the art of the American West, the Civil War, and American Presidents. Through exposure to this exhibition, we hope travelers enjoy viewing the artwork on display and perhaps become motivated to explore these topics in greater depth by visiting the Booth Museum.”

About the Booth Western Art Museum:

The Booth Western Museum is an 80,000 square foot museum located in Cartersville, Georgia, where guests are invited to explore the American West through contemporary Western artwork. The Museum also features a Presidential Gallery, a Civil War art gallery, and Sagebrush Ranch – a children’s interactive gallery - featuring hands-on art activities and areas for role-playing, storytelling and reading, all presented with a Western flair. Visitors to Booth Museum also enjoy the intimate downtown setting with unique specialty and antique shops, boutiques, and nationally featured restaurants, all within walking distance of the Museum. Open since August 2003, the Booth Museum is the only museum of its kind in the Southeast and is the second largest art museum in the state of Georgia. For more information about the Booth Western Art Museum call 770-387-1300 or visit www.boothmuseum.org.

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