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METAL ARTS GUILD EXHIBITION AT TORONTO PEARSON

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TORONTO—A new exhibition of works by members of the Metal Arts Guild of Canada (MAGC) is open at Toronto Pearson International Airport. *Wait/Weight* is on display in the Skylight Exhibits area in International Departures, Terminal 1.

Wait/Weight features uplifting works from 17 artists who explore the themes of waiting, transition, weight and weightlessness for this juried exhibition. The show's theme is inspired by the transitory state of passengers who are waiting on the ground, waiting to be lifted into the sky.

Each artist interpreted the theme in different ways, but all of the works demonstrate technical skill and tremendous originality. Ghazaleh Rabiei's *The Wait/Weight of Time* uses an hourglass as a metaphor for the suspension of time a passenger may feel while waiting to board. Caro (Carolyn Scandiffio) on the other hand, depicts weightlessness through airy and light plants in *Sea Shapes*. Other artists featured in the show include: Jackie Anderson, Lois Etherington Betteridge, Linda Brown, Lissa Brunet, Charles Funnel, Jada Jing He, Jessamyn Khan, Tamara Kronis, Flora Lee, Ann Lumsden, Claudio Pino, Donald Stuart, Annette Vanleeuwen, Stephanie Walker, and Michaela Wolfert.

The MAGC was founded in 1946. It is based in Toronto with members across Canada. In addition to actively promoting metalwork, MAGC is a forum committed to the exchange of ideas and information, encouraging appreciation of the metal arts. Members create holloware, jewellery, sculpture, flatware and works in iron.

Launched in April 2004, the GTAA Art and Exhibitions Program offers a wide variety of engaging exhibits, with many developed in partnership with museums, galleries and cultural and heritage institution on Ontario and Canada. The GTAA works to promote the Greater Toronto Area's reputation as an important cultural destination.

The GTAA is the non-share, not-for profit authority that operates Toronto Pearson. All revenue generated by the GTAA is reinvested back into the airport. In 2007, 31.5 million passengers travelled through Toronto Pearson.

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