

MIA UNVEILS HAITI LEGACY EXHIBIT

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MIAMI — Miami-Dade County Commissioner Jean Monestime and Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD) officials on July 25 celebrated the unveiling of *Haiti: Leaving a Legacy*, a unique collection of high-design Haitian handcrafts now on display at Miami International Airport's South Terminal. The nine artists featured in the exhibition are part of the Urban Zen Haiti Artisan Project, which spurs economic development in Haiti by increasing the

availability of the country's artwork in the global market.

The exhibition, on display through December at MIA's <u>South Terminal Gallery</u>, is a collaboration between MDAD's Fine Arts & Cultural Affairs Division, the Haitian Cultural Arts Alliance and American fashion designer Donna Karan. Pascale Marra, cultural attaché from the Consulate General of Haiti in Miami, was also in attendance for the unveiling.

The artists presented in *Haiti: Leaving a Legacy* utilize and transform discarded materials, incorporate found objects and develop natural recourses responsibly to create their crafts.

The crafts exhibited are complemented by the work of photographer Gary Monroe, who since 1984 has been capturing the elegance and essence of the Haitian people through images of everyday life. For further information visit <u>miami-airport.com/south_terminal.asp</u>

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