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Exhibit honoring Mayor Carl & Congressman Louis Stokes unveiled at CLE

Part of dozens of commemorations throughout the year in Cleveland

Cleveland, February 28th, 2017 – A new exhibit, *Stokes: Honoring the Past, Inspiring the Future* is now on display in the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Art Gallery on the Lower Terminal Level at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE).

The exhibit will be on display through July 31st, 2017.

Throughout the year, communities and organizations in Northeast Ohio will be honoring the 50th anniversary of Carl Stokes' historic election as the mayor of Cleveland. In 1967, Stokes became the first African American to be elected mayor of a major American city. Also part of the commemoration is Stokes' brother, Louis Stokes, who made a profound impact on the civil rights movement as a lawyer and later became Ohio's first African American congressman in 1968.

For more information on other events throughout the year visit: <u>www.stokes50cle.com</u>.

CLE will host an Opening Reception on Tuesday, February 28th at 4:00 pm.

CLE Temporary Art Exhibition Program

This program was created to showcase the diversity of arts and culture of the Cleveland Plus Region. Museums, cultural institutions, arts organizations as well as individual artists are afforded opportunities to exhibit their collections of original artwork and photography in the airport.