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First Museum Exhibition of Airport Design Lands in Los Angeles April 3rd with Preview of New LAX Bradley International Terminal



***Now Boarding: Fentress Airports + The Architecture of Flight* examines dramatic changes in design and air travel experience; Multi-location L.A. exhibition based at Museum of Flying in Santa Monica**

Los Angeles – March 14, 2013 – The first international museum exhibition of airport architecture, *Now Boarding: Fentress Airports + The Architecture of Flight*, (www.nowboarding.com) launches in Los Angeles with a VIP opening April 3rd at the Museum of Flying in Santa Monica.



The multi-site "Now Boarding" exhibition examines the past, present and future of airport design. An entire section is devoted to LAX and the much anticipated \$1.5 billion expansion of the Tom Bradley International Terminal by renowned airport architect Curtis W. Fentress. The exhibition is curated by Donald Albrecht, with exhibits that include a 24-foot scale model of the new Tom Bradley Terminal, as well as animations, renderings, photographs and architectural elements.

The April 3rd VIP celebration will launch "Now Boarding" at its primary Museum of Flying location, where it will run through August 25th. A companion exhibition focused on the history of Los Angeles International Airport will be held at the Flight Path Learning Center at LAX.

As the architect and creative force behind some of the world's most celebrated airports, Curtis Fentress is known for designs that transform the air travel experience and embody local geography and culture. Nowhere is this better illustrated than in the dramatic changes soon to be unveiled at LAX, where the new international terminal's wave-like shape evokes the beach lifestyle, and where passenger flow will help slash the time it takes international passengers to go from landing to curbside. Other notable Fentress designs include Incheon International Airport in South Korea and Denver International Airport.

Primary Exhibition:

Now Boarding at the Museum of Flying (Santa Monica)

April 3rd – August 25th

The past, present, and future of airport design are examined in this dynamic, multi-media exhibition. Visitors are transported from the bare landing strips at the dawn of flight to today's mega-airports transforming the air travel experience. Individual exhibits, including a 24-foot scale model of the new LAX Tom Bradley International Terminal expansion, provide an unprecedented view into the design process, and bring the art and science of architecture to life. The exhibition also explores what's next in aviation, with renderings from Fentress Architects' "Airport of the Future" think tank and student design competition.



Founded in 1979, the Museum of Flying boasts a collection ranging from a replica of the Wright Flyer to aircraft from the modern jet age. The Museum is located at 3100 Airport Avenue in Santa Monica; www.museumofflying.com.

Companion Exhibition:

Flight Path Learning Center and Museum (at LAX)

April 3rd – August 25th

This companion exhibition examines the rich past and exciting future of LAX architecture and design. Individual exhibits provide a trip back in time to aviation's "Golden Age" with early travel posters, airline memorabilia and period pilot/flight attendant uniforms that range in style from the prim to risqué.

The Center is located in a repurposed LAX terminal at 6661 West Imperial Highway; www.flightpath.us.

For more information about the "Now Boarding" exhibition, including hours of operation and directions to museum venues, please visit www.nowboarding.org.

About Now Boarding: [Now Boarding: Fentress Airports + The Architecture of Flight](#) was developed by noted architectural curator Donald Albrecht, in collaboration with the Denver Art Museum. The museum exhibition debuted in Denver and Amsterdam. After its run in Los Angeles, "Now Boarding" will travel to Shanghai, China and Washington, DC., and continue to tour internationally through 2015.

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