
International Art and Work Awards 2010

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Award winning art installation at Miami International Airport

Barbara Neijna wins the award for the best “Art commissioned for specific sites in the working environment” sponsored by International Art Consultants

Judges under the Chairmanship of Jack Pringle, past president of the RIBA - Royal Institute of British Architects - reviewed entries from all over the world for the **first ever International Award programme for Art in the Workplace**. The event will take place in Barcelona from 3rd to 5th November, in conjunction with the World Architecture Festival, attended by over 2000 architects, art patrons and artists.

Barbara Neijna's winning entry, “**Foreverglades**” is an artwork that is masterfully integrated into the architecture of the new Miami International Airport - Concourse J. Neijna's concept was inspired by the words of Marjory Stoneman Douglas' venerable ode to South Florida's unique geography. The installation is a single environment involving floors, walls and curtain glass windows, extending through two levels and made from thousands of varied components. Although colossal in scale, the work remains intricate and intimate. The “Foreverglades” commission is one of the largest installations of public art in the world.

Barbara Neijna says:

“I am thrilled to accept this important international award on behalf of everyone who was involved with Foreverglades at MIA. Art and Work Awards 2010 has made it possible for artists to be recognized for what they love, think, feel and know so that these efforts are enjoyed and experienced around the globe by as many people as possible. I'd like to express my gratitude and that of all of the artists and art lovers who are the beneficiaries of their remarkable accomplishment. Art and Work Awards have given new visibility and a new voice to public art.”

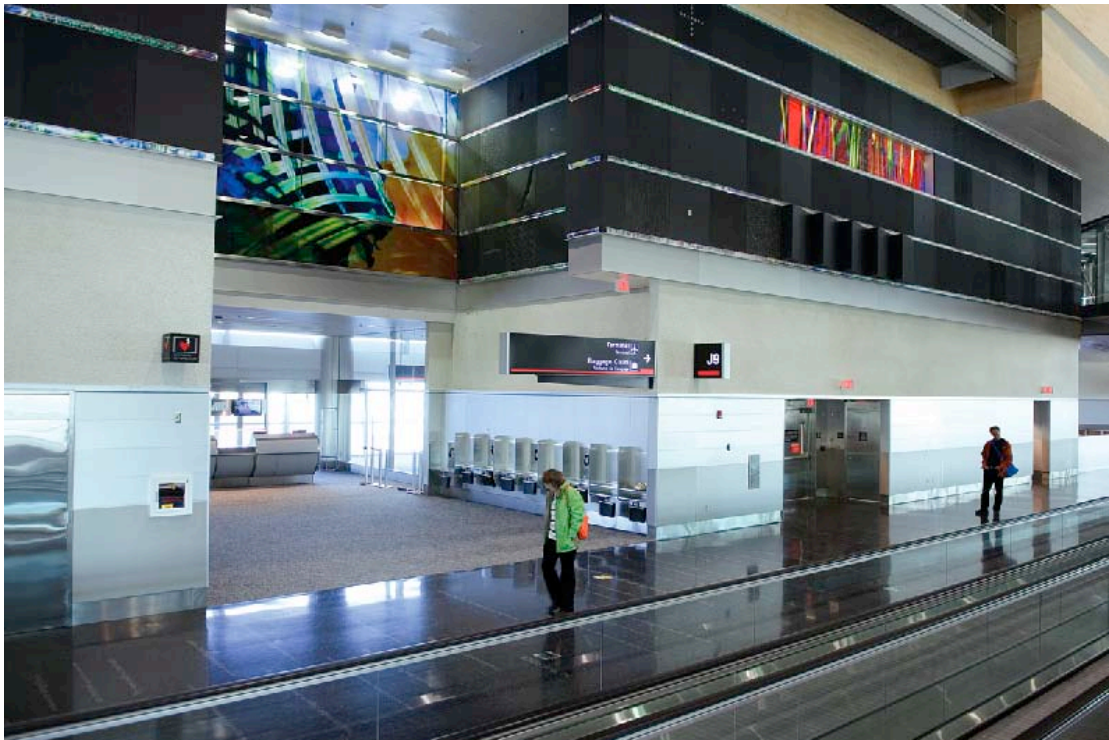
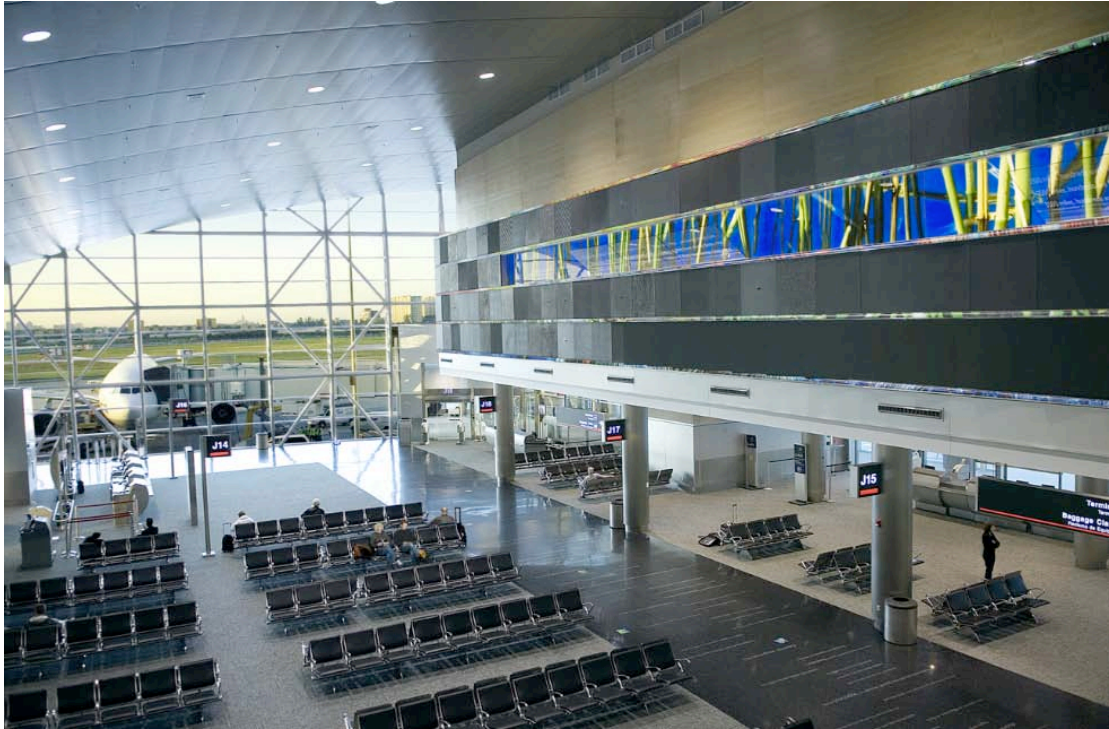
Winners will be announced in Barcelona during an evening ceremony on the 4th November.

The Art & Work Awards under the Chairmanship of Peter Harris have been run since 1985 but this is the first time they have been global. The awards aim to reward those whose performance is truly excellent and to help establish benchmarks for good practice for art in the workplace.

Peter Harris says:

“For the first time we have been able to see the differences in approach from all around the world to the very important practice of enhancing the working environment with art. Some of the entries are truly outstanding and provide benchmarks for the future.”

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