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go ahead, take a look.



## A MESSAGE FROM LEW BLEIWEIS, A.A.E., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*We are working hard to manage growth*



Asheville Regional Airport has experienced four consecutive years of record growth - significant growth. The airlines are adding service, bigger planes and more seats in the market. The popularity of western North Carolina is bringing more tourists through our gates. And our local travelers are choosing to fly from AVL more and more. (Thank you for flying local, by the way!)

How are we managing this fast-paced growth? We accelerated our plans to construct a new parking garage, so we could add about 400 additional spaces to our parking operation. We have updated our ground transportation operating plan to relieve congestion from our front curb. All ground transportation providers (taxis, shuttles, limos, app rides and others) now are required to pick up passengers in designated pick up areas on either end of the terminal.

To accommodate the growing number of aircraft that can operate at the airport simultaneously, we are currently building new airplane ramp space, and working toward a larger expansion of our terminal apron (the concrete aircraft area around the terminal). We are in the midst of a complex terminal assessment, which will help us identify and prioritize our terminal expansion needs for the coming years.

And we will soon implement a premium flyer line at our security check-point, to help expedite these travelers to the identification station.

Many of our changes have come with some growing pains, so thank you for your patience. We will continue to focus on listening to our passengers, and improving where we can to enhance your overall airport experience.



## UBER & LYFT HAVE RESUMED SERVICE AT AVL

*Pick up area located north of the terminal*

The Greater Asheville Regional Airport Authority (GARAA) is pleased to announce that an agreement has been reached to return rideshare services to the airport. The airport is in the process of amending its ground transportation operating procedures to allow rideshare companies to pick up in a designated pick up area. Uber and Lyft have agreed to this operating requirement and have resumed operations in the interim until the final changes have been made.

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## ART GALLERY EXHIBIT: PERSPECTIVE

*Unveiling newest exhibition at AVL*

The Art Gallery at Asheville Regional Airport (AVL) is presenting its newest exhibit, *Perspective*. The exhibit will be on display through August 12, 2018, featuring a variety of artwork in an array of mediums from eight local artists.

The artistic combination of curated work brings a delightful environment to the airport gallery, including: Fiber art from Julie Bagamary; digital art printed on canvas by Cynthia Decker; photography from Derek DiLuzio and Ivana Larrosa; acrylic and oil paintings on canvas by Hillary Frye and Mary McDermott; glass and rock sculptures formed by Robert LaBerge; and Skip Rohde's charcoal and pastel drawings.

The unique perspective of this exhibit invites viewers to take a second look and see our region through fresh eyes. The colorful artwork will be on display, welcoming folks to and from WNC, throughout the summer months.

"The art gallery is truly a way for both the passengers and public alike to experience a taste of our region," said Alexandra Bradley, Marketing and Public Relations Specialist at AVL and curator of the gallery.

Artwork can be purchased from the gallery by emailing [art@flyavl.com](mailto:art@flyavl.com). Artists who reside in any of the eleven counties within AVL's primary service market may apply for acceptance into upcoming exhibits. Details about the program, including application instructions, can be found on the airport's website at [flyavl.com](http://flyavl.com).

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## RIBBON IS CUT, NOW PACK YOUR BAGS!

*Nonstop Denver on Allegiant celebrated its inaugural flight in May*



[Inaugural Flight Celebration](#)



## SMART PHONES ARE SMART TRAVEL COMPANIONS

*Travel tips from Asheville Regional Airport*

### **Leverage the power of your smart phone!**

We all have a very powerful assistant in the palm of our hands. Our cell phones can be used wisely in a number of ways when traveling.

1. Before your trip, email an itinerary to yourself, including all addresses, phone numbers and directions.
2. Take photos of your luggage and the tracking tag - just in case it gets lost.
3. Download books, movies and music to enjoy while on your journey.
4. Use it as a GPS to find your way around.
5. It is your clock - automatically adjusting to any new time zones.

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