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THE ARTS LEAGUE OF MICHIGAN CREATES ART EXHIBITION EXCLUSIVELY FOR FORD MOTOR COMPANY I-T EMPLOYEES

Detroit, MI -- Art always has been and always will be for everyone all of the time. So why not put more art in the workplace where many people spend the greater part of their day? That is a concept that the Ford Motor Company subscribes to. **For the past five years the company has requested the Arts League of Michigan (ALM) to coordinate the collecting and hanging of an art exhibition. This year's exhibition is exclusively for the viewing and enjoyment of Ford Information Technology employees.** The exhibition was installed at the Ford ITek Center in Dearborn where it can be viewed at their leisure during the workday. Considering the amount of time that the employees spend on the job, it is a perfect place.

The exhibition expands the viewers' knowledge about art while at the same time providing a break from the workday – moments away from the rigors of the office. Surrounded by the beauty of the art, employees relax a little and are rejuvenated.

The exhibition theme is "People and Places Around the World." It highlights cultural variety in art and is part of Ford's global effort to celebrate working together. The pieces were produced by local artists from a number of ethnic backgrounds, working in a wide variety of media. At 39 pieces, this year's collection is also one of the largest exhibitions ALM has provided for Ford.

The "People and Places" exhibition at Ford is not open to the public, but the public will be able to view the art when the exhibition opens at the Virgil H. Carr Cultural Arts Center, 311 East Grand River in Paradise Valley, beginning December 7th. It will remain on display until mid January, 2010. Admission to the exhibition is free. Parking is convenient.

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