
STAKEHOLDER QUOTES

“The Province of Manitoba’s commitment to the Inuit Art Centre is a major step forward. The centre will create jobs and training opportunities, boost tourism and economic investment, while enhancing education and cultural understanding. We thank the province and look forward to working with the government and the community to ensure the WAG continues to serve all Manitobans using art to connect, inspire, and inform.” – Dr. Stephen Borys, director and CEO, Winnipeg Art Gallery.

“We’d like to thank the provincial government for making this a very special day in Canada’s aviation history. Our new museum will be a showcase for the province and will create a positive impression for travellers arriving at James Armstrong Richardson International Airport. The museum will tell the stories of early aviation, showcasing our renowned collection of bush planes and will be a signature cultural attraction in our community, offering a window into the future of aerospace. This funding is a welcome spark to move our project a big step forward.” – Helen Halliday, president and CEO, Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada.

“The Association of Manitoba Museums welcomes the Manitoba government’s investment in the Winnipeg Art Gallery and the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada as these wonderful organizations are two keystones in our sector. The AMM applauds the provincial government’s groundbreaking incentive program for community support of local museums and archives. This investment will support our local volunteers, foster community engagement, and will help ensure the longevity and sustainability of our heritage organizations across the province by encouraging investment in local heritage organizations by Manitobans.” – Thomas McLeod, president, Association of Manitoba Museums Council.

“I would like to commend the Manitoba government for contributing in a creative and long-term way to the stabilization and development of museums in the province. I have been promoting the same concept to the federal government of a matching-donations program to stimulate philanthropy for the museum sector. Manitoba is showing leadership today.” – John G. McAvity, executive director and CEO, Canadian Museums Association.

“The creation of a Heritage Trust program that includes Manitoba archival institutions is indeed positive news. We are excited about the possibilities presented by this contribution to the long-term sustainability of the archival community.” – Heather Bidzinski, chair, Association for Manitoba Archives.