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## **Indonesian Textiles Treasures on View at SFO**

**SAN FRANCISCO** -- A new exhibition at San Francisco International Airport, *Threads of Tradition: Textile Treasures of Indonesia*, brings the world of traditional Indonesian textiles to Airport passengers and visitors.

The exhibition interlaces over forty objects, photographs and maps to tell the story of traditional Indonesian textile arts such as the resist-dyeing techniques of batik and ikat, and the embellishment techniques of supplementary warp and weft, couching, embroidery, and mirror work. Along the way, *Threads of Tradition* explores the extraordinary number of designs and motifs incorporated in traditional Indonesian clothing and ceremonial fabrics.

Examples of these traditional textile arts are presented through a variety of objects. Sarongs, *kain panjangs* (long cloths for men and women), *tapis* (woven skirts) and ritual cloths demonstrate the artistry and workmanship for which Indonesia is known.

Threads of Tradition is on view twenty-four hours a day through March 13, 2006, free of charge. The exhibition is located pre-security on the Departures/Ticketing Level of the International Terminal.

The San Francisco Airport Museums program was established by the Airport Commission in 1980 for the purposes of humanizing the Airport environment, providing visibility for the unique cultural life of San Francisco, and providing educational services for the traveling public. Today, the San Francisco Airport Museums features approximately twenty galleries throughout the Airport terminals displaying a rotating schedule of art, history, science, and cultural exhibitions, as well as the San Francisco Airport Commission Aviation Library and Louis A. Turpen Aviation Museum, a permanent collection dedicated to the history of commercial aviation.

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## **About San Francisco International Airport**

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