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# **Airport Authority Board selects Terry Blue to succeed Scott Brockman as President/CEO**

The Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority (MSCAA) Board of Commissioners has selected Terry Blue as its next President and CEO. Blue, who currently serves as Executive Vice President of Operations and Chief Operating Officer, will succeed Scott Brockman, whose retirement will be effective on December 31, 2023.

Blue joined MSCAA in 2015 and has more than 25 years of aviation experience. He came to Memphis from Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport (MKE) where he worked for seven years as Deputy Airport Director and later Interim Airport Director. He also worked for 10 years at Denver International Airport in a number of roles, including Aviation Operations Manager.

He is an Accredited Airport Executive (A.A.E.) by the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) and is also an AAAE Airport Certified Employee (A.C.E.) in both Operations and Security. Blue is a member of the AAAE Board of Directors and is a Past President of both the Southeast Chapter of AAAE and of the Wisconsin Airport Management Association. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of Memphis Tourism and is a 2019 graduate of Leadership Memphis.

Blue received a Master of Public Administration Degree from the University of

During his tenure at MSCAA, Blue has overseen a number of significant projects for Memphis International Airport, including the modernization of the B concourse, construction of MEM's new Mission Support Center and the new Centralized Deicing Facility (CDF).

"The MSCAA board understands the importance of the role the Airport Authority CEO plays in the Memphis community," said Michael Keeney, Chairman of the MSCAA Board of Commissioners. "We engaged in extensive discussion and utilized a third-party firm to evaluate potential candidates, and Terry Blue clearly emerged as the ideal person to lead the Airport Authority. The board and our recruiting firm felt that he was the optimal candidate based on his combination of overall aviation and airport management experience, industry leadership, and his extensive familiarity with our airport's operations."

"On behalf of the MSCAA Board, I also want to extend our sincere appreciation to Scott Brockman for his extraordinary leadership during his tenure as President and CEO. Scott leaves big shoes to fill but has provided a sound blueprint for success for Terry and the MSCAA team."

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# Spirit Airlines to launch nonstop service between Memphis and Los Angeles on June 7

Spirit Airlines has announced it will launch daily nonstop service between Memphis International Airport (MEM) and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) starting June 7. Tickets are on sale at <a href="https://www.spirit.com">www.spirit.com</a>.

Headquartered in Miramar, Florida, Spirit Airlines now serves three destinations from MEM, including Las Vegas, Orlando and now Los Angeles. The airline will operate 182-seat Airbus 320 aircraft for its flights.

"We're proud to deliver the only daily, nonstop flight from Memphis to Los Angeles (LAX), making it more convenient than ever for Bluff City travelers to explore the west coast, and for more people to come and experience all the culture and experiences that Memphis has to offer," said John Kirby, Vice President of Network Planning at Spirit Airlines. "Our Memphis Guests have embraced Spirit's high-

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"We are excited to see Spirit continuing to grow at MEM," said Michael Keeney, Chairman of the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority Board of Commissioners. "More importantly, this flight gives MEM passengers another West Coast option, which has been one of the airport's top air service priorities."

The schedule is as follows:

**MEM to LAX** LAX to MEM

Departs: 8:59 pm (CT) Departs: 1:57 pm (PT) Arrives: 10:48 pm (PT) Arrives: 10:48 pm (CT)

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## FedEx celebrates 50th birthday with video wall installation

On April 17, FedEx marked its 50th birthday. To celebrate their long-term partnership with the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority, FedEx installed a video wall in the B ticketing lobby.

The screens feature video content and photography highlighting the past, present, and future of our largest partner in cargo.



To learn more about FedEx's 50th birthday celebration, please visit: https://www.fedex.com/en-us/50-years.html.

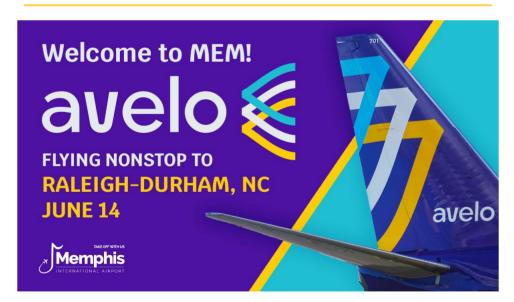


# 16th Annual High School Visual Arts & Photography Competition finalists' artwork now up at flymemphis.com

The competition was stronger than ever this year, with a total of 163 entries for paintings and another 116 photography entries. The artwork of the finalists in the 2023 Arts in the Airport High School Visual Arts and Photography Competition can now be viewed at flymemphis.com. Winners will be announced on May 4.

**Paintings**: <a href="https://flymemphis.com/arts-in-the-airport-2023-paintings/">https://flymemphis.com/arts-in-the-airport-2023-paintings/</a> **Photography**: <a href="https://flymemphis.com/arts-in-the-airport-2023-photos/">https://flymemphis.com/arts-in-the-airport-2023-photos/</a>

CityCurrent is once again producing a virtual recognition ceremony that will be live streamed on May 4, 2023.



# Avelo Airlines to launch nonstop service between Memphis and Raleigh-Durham in June

Avelo Airlines has announced it will launch nonstop service between Memphis International Airport (MEM) and Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU) starting June 14. Tickets are now on sale at <a href="https://www.aveloair.com">www.aveloair.com</a>.

flight. Following an inaugural flight on June 14, the service will run on Monday and Friday.

RDU ranks third on MEM's list of top 10 unserved destinations. The June launch will begin the first MEM-RDU service since February 2015.

Avelo Airlines Chairman and CEO Andrew Levy said, "Memphis – say hello to Avelo! We are excited to take off with Memphis and bring Avelo to the Home of Blues, Soul and Rock 'n' Roll. Getting to The Research Triangle is now more affordable and easier than ever. Avelo's combination of everyday low fares, industry-leading reliability and caring service – coupled with MEM's travel-friendly convenience – will inspire people from across the region to enjoy everything the Raleigh-Durham area has to offer."

"The arrival of Avelo Airlines at MEM provides our passengers with another low-cost travel option and restores service to one of our top unserved destinations," said Michael Keeney, Chairman of the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority Board of Commissioners. "We are grateful to Avelo for entering the Memphis market and expect that our passengers will embrace this opportunity to connect to RDU."

#### Inaugural flight (June 14)

RDU to MEM

Departs: 8 am (ET) Arrives: 9:05 am (CT)

MEM to RDU

Departs: 11:05 am (CT) Arrives: 2 pm (ET)

#### June 16 & 19

RDU to MEM

Departs: 12:05 pm (ET) Arrives: 1:10 pm (CT)

MEM to RDU

Departs: 2 pm (CT) Arrives: 4:55 pm (ET)

#### Starting June 20

RDU to MEM

Departs: 6 pm (ET) Arrives: 7:05 pm (CT)

MEM to RDU

Departs: 7:45 pm (CT) Arrives: 10:40 pm (ET)

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# New nonstop service between Memphis and Boston to begin on Delta Air Lines starting May 8

Delta Air Lines will launch daily nonstop service between Memphis International Airport (MEM) and Boston Logan International Airport (BOS) starting May 8, 2023.

Delta will utilize a 76-seat Embraer 175 aircraft for the route, which will operate daily. Tickets are on sale at <a href="https://www.delta.com">www.delta.com</a>.

The Boston flight brings Delta's number of destinations at MEM to seven, joining Atlanta, Detroit, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York (LGA), and Salt Lake City.

"We are excited that Delta is once again growing in Memphis to serve the needs of our community," said Michael Keeney, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority. "We're confident that our passengers will embrace this popular route."

#### **Schedule**

Memphis to Boston

Departs: 7 a.m. (CST)Arrives: 11:13 a.m. (EST)

Boston to Memphis

Departs: 7:15 p.m. (EST)Arrives: 9:52 p.m. (CST)

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### Ramblin' Joe's Coffee now open at MEM

Travelers at MEM have a new choice in coffee shops with the opening of Tennessee's own Ramblin' Joe's Coffee. The café offers a variety of coffee drinks and breakfast fare, and is located just past the security checkpoint next to TripAdvisor.





# **Live music performances at MEM**

On April 28, MEM will host members of the Memphis Symphony Orchestra on the rotunda music stage from 10:30-11:30am. Stop by and listen if you get the chance!

Upcoming live performance date & time (subject to change):

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# **Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority** (MSCAA) is hiring for several positions

Do you know someone who'd make a great member of First Team MEM? Here are the positions currently open to applicants:

- Traffic Customer Service Specialist
- Operations Duty Manager
- · Airfield Electrician
- Building Maintenance Electrician
- Maintenance Service Technician

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