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U-Freight delivers the fine art of shipping

U-Freight Singapore has recently set up a new division, ArtSafe to promote its logistics hub as a fine arts storage facility; as well as an exhibit space for the showcasing of artwork by local artists.

A large area of the company's modern logistics centre at Changi Airport has been converted into a highly secure, climate-controlled, storage area; plus a grand hall where artworks can be displayed.

For the future, ArtSafe Singapore intends to organise a global team to handle art logistics with participation from companies throughout the U-Freight network.

Those art logistics services may involve the movement of fragile, valuable and priceless art pieces to parks, buildings, hotels, museums, art galleries and private collectors around the world.

The service will offer museum/gallery-standard specialised and custom-designed art packing and crating; insurance cover; temporary import and re-export customs clearance; as well as air-ride transportation where necessary.

The main target audience are international galleries, with a presence in Singapore; as well as Auction houses.

TH Ong, managing director of U-Freight Singapore, said: "Whether you are a collector, an impresario, an auctioneer, a gallery owner, a museum curator or an artist - you should never lose sleep over freight deliveries.

"We appreciate the power and value of the arts; and fully understand that nothing short of spotless handling and respectful treatment is the only appropriate treatment for works of art.

"Service is what makes the difference at ArtSafe. You can comfortably leave all the planning and coordination of your art storage and shipment to us."