General Responsibilites & Advice to Residents*

- 1. Readers must obtain health insurance coverage before entering the Living Room.
- 2. Readers are responsible for the actions of any individual they have invited into the Living Room.
- 3. It is strongly advised to treat the Living Room as a sentient being. We've found that in most cases, the readers have gotten much more out their interaction and stay by doing so.
- 4. Events in the Living Room include, but are not limited to: readings, lectures, quiet snowfall from the ceiling, exhibitions, artist talks, the paint on the walls cracking up in the shape of distant islands, spontaneous mutations in plantlife, tattoo workshops, a sudden rush of beating wings, potluck dinners, eyes reflecting light at night, screenings, black cats congregating *undefined shrieking in the distance, chains rattling*, noise concerts, raptors making friends with rodents, extinct species stuck in limbo, miniature powerlines, a blind deer slowly entering the room, vegan pizza eating contests, fog, fundraisers.
- 5. Visiting species/beings are listed on the Google calendar "Visiting Species WS". Don't forget to sign up in the Green Room. Note that you may only sign up for one of the two beings each month. (How to have a successful visit: Offer snacks. Don't namedrop. Have your CV online, but not printed. Have business cards printed. Be socially aggressive.)
- 6. Previous readers have described the experience of the Living Room as

this clearing I had no idea existed (saw it on the drone footage) on
the other side of the dried out river
can't sleep
as I hear the tide coming in. A gentle hum

and

a 3D image of every cell and connection in a fruit fly brain, stitched from 21 million images

and

To be one breath before or after the "now", never knowing how to reach the lights. And I dreamt about a dying friend, dreaming.

- 7. In case of flooding, stand perfectly still (and watch the water level rise). Someone may come to get you. Do not help the deer. Do not enter the office. If seeking advice or assistance, use the intercom telephone.
- 8. The official meditation of the Living Room: moss on dark wood, a horse out in the clover field, eating the mildly poisonous plants until her stomach explodes; she dreams: islands drifting in a mangrove swamp, thin tendrils scanning the riverbed, while below blind dolphins and transparent twelve-armed squids quietly tear at the underside of the islands, the uncannily strong roots of the ferns, "they have a large barge with a radio antenna on top of it", slowly drifting ashore pushed by the ice, and the sky is

dark red antennas outlined an electrical humming mixed with a wordless choir quietly that's how it goes no hiding anymore in the hollows of the forest below the riverbank in the deserted skyscrapers. There are so many wonderful dinner parties happening in this city, every night.

9. Do not mess with the cat.



The cat.

- 10. A special note: not much research have been done on the Living Room after nightfall. We encourage residents to explore, but use caution. There is an undefined number of extinct beings that traverse the premises at night please be mindful and respectful. Do feel free to to break up the floorboards wherever there's a hollow sound to them (if you use a ladder, remember to return it so other residents can use it). Wendy's Subway is not responsible for any harm or injury, physical nor psychological, that may incur while spending time in the underground passageways. Also, the carpets glow at irregular intervals. Not sure why.
- 11. I can't believe my sense of self has anything to do with this thing called memories. I've tried meditation, retreating into childhood memories, running in the dark, ambient music, dissolving into algorithms, cloud shadows passing over my body, sauna, painting watercolors of islands. I really can't, understand this sense of self.
- 12.-Redacted-
- 13. Enjoy your stay in the Living Room!