8Nights VR Design

Proposed Outline of Experience

Location: Trustees Room @ MFA



Date: December 9, 2015 5pm – 10pm

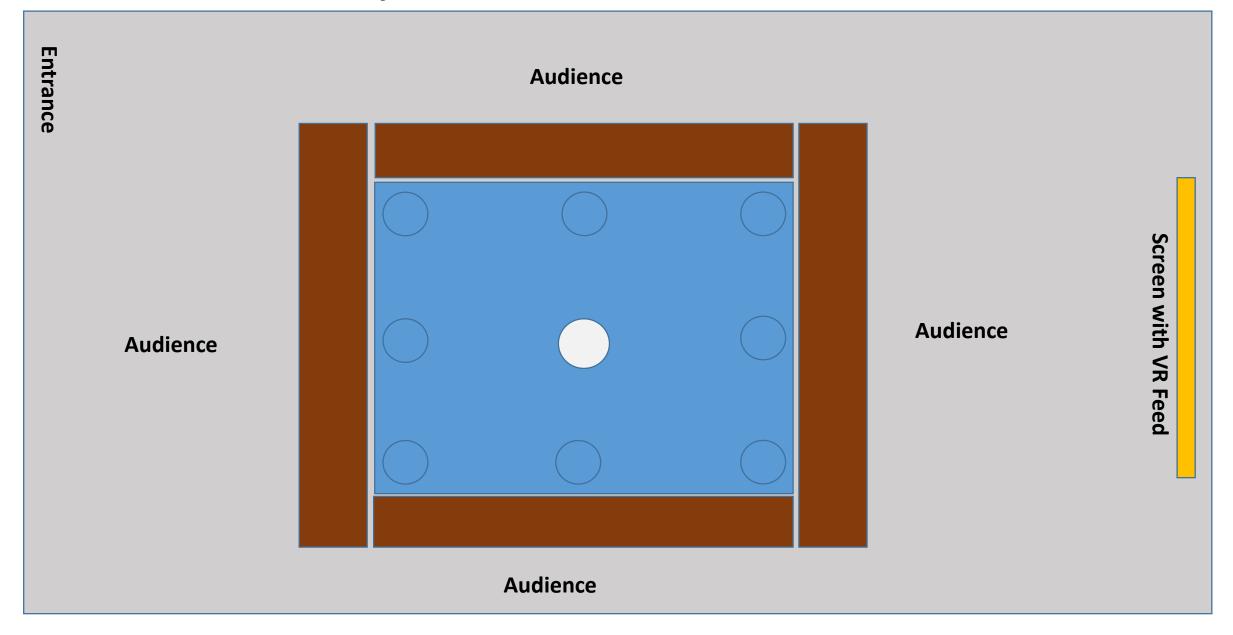
Goal: Illuminate 8 Beacon Sculptures



Transform room from:

Dark + Mysterious to Vibrant + Joyous

Layout of Installation



Beacons

Sculpture Speaker RGB Spotlight

Two Participants

Lights the Beacons



Torch Carrier (in VR)

Leads the Way



Lantern Carrier (not in VR)

Physical + Virtual Props



Torch Carrier (in VR)



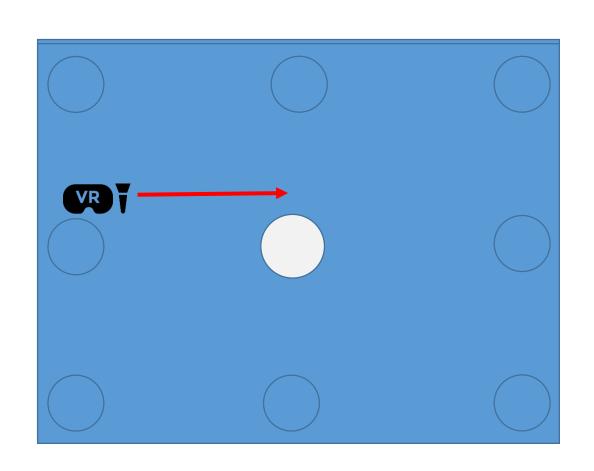
Vive Controllers Provide Tracking

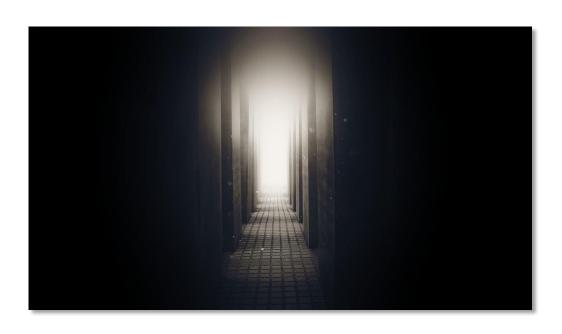




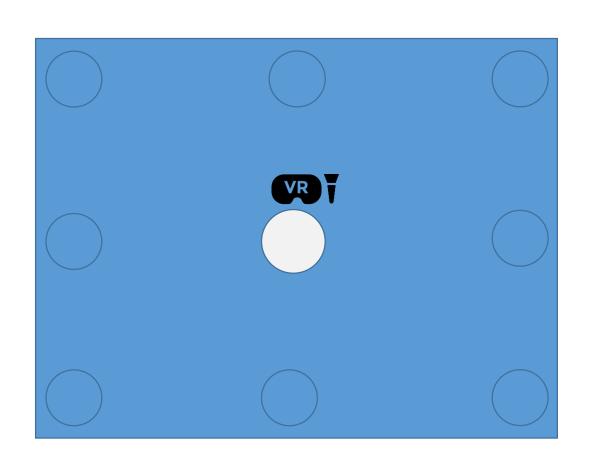
Lantern Carrier (not in VR)

VR player starts out on the edge, with no flame. The "Shamash beacon" shining in the center. They walk down a tunnel in VR towards the light.



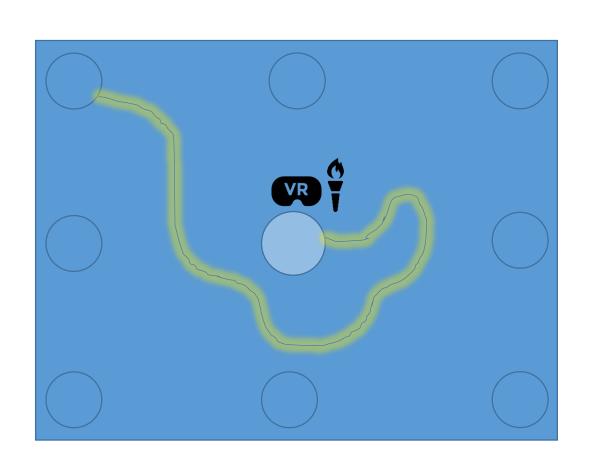


As soon as they near the Shamash, the tunnel transitions away and everything looks open and peaceful



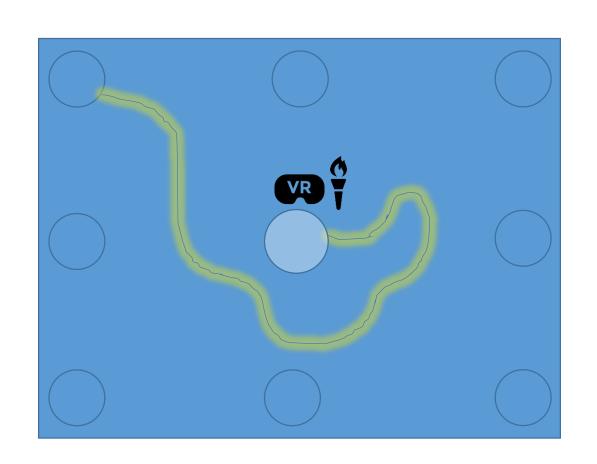


When they light the torch, a glowing path appears in the room (not visible in VR), and a windy dark forest ahead in VR.



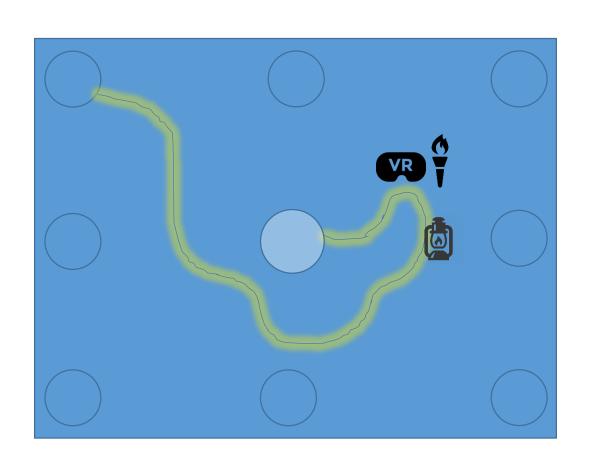


It's a little scary, but comforting to draw glowy trails in front of them by swinging the torch around as they get their bearings



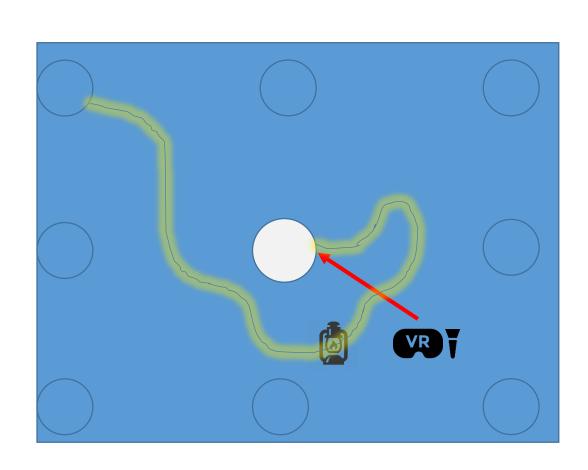


Onward, the lantern carrier has appeared and is there to guide the way!



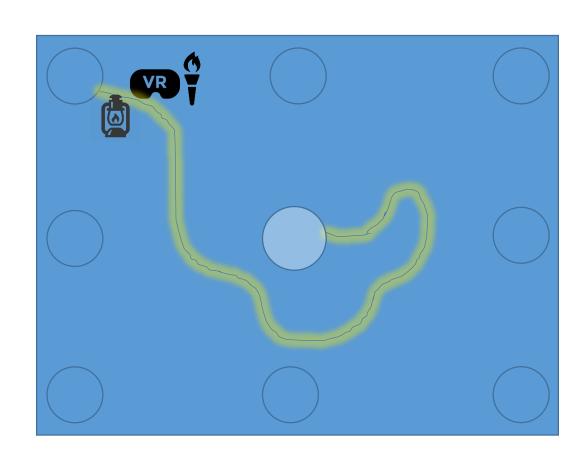


If the VR person strays too far from the path, their torch blows out and the maze disappears. Back to the center to relight!



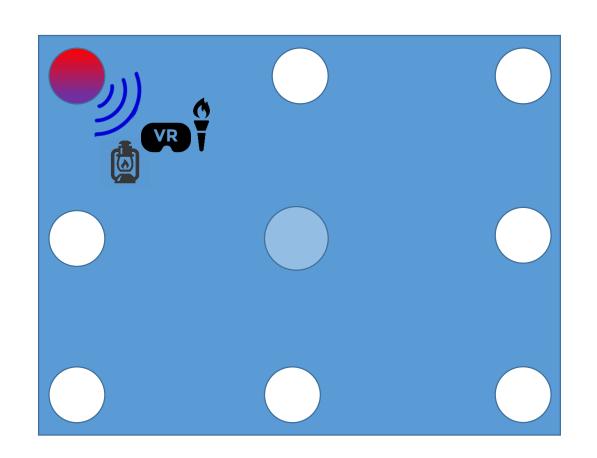


The process is repeated until the two safely navigate the maze and approach the first beacon



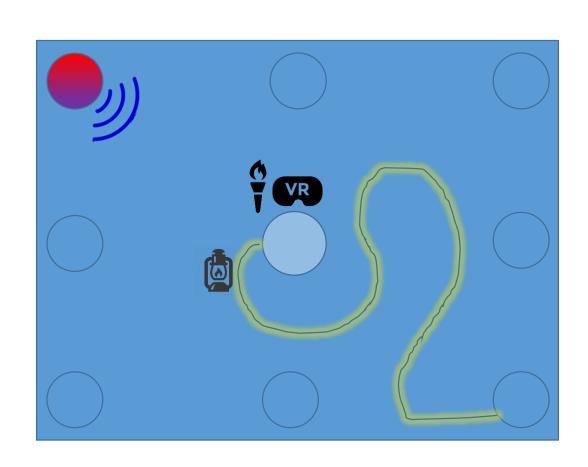


The beacon is lit! A huge burst of light comes from all the beacons. A flourish of color and a new voice begins singing, emanating from the lit beacon.





If time permits, they light the torch again and repeat the same process





We swap in people until all the beacons are lit and 8 voices are singing. Should take about 20 minutes in total.

The room has gone for dark + mysterious to vibrant + joyous

