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DIVE INTO VIRTUAL SPACE

With Artemis missions a-go with launches to return men and women onto the white sands of the Moon, our cosmic shore upon which to gaze deeply into the Universe at large, there are opportunities to experience space as it is at present and as it were during the Apollo missions in the comfort of your own home.

Oculus Studios and affiliate studios have put together a small store of simulatory and cinematic experiences via the head set Oculus. Even if you are shy a few dollars, stretch back to the Oculus Quest 1 for the following titles.

Space Explorers by Felix and Paul Studios offers an immersive experience alongside real world astronauts on the ISS. The astronauts give simple presentations of their perspectives and experiences on the ISS while the user is free to look around the space on board the space station with a 360 degree view of the different areas and corridors right there on board.

Apollo 11 Qeust offers both cinematic and interactive experiences following the Apollo 11 mission from beginning to end. Suspend in space while admiring the space vehicle about to launch towards the moon within the star fields. Stand beside Dr Aldrin as the Lander approaches the lunar surface.

Spheres with executive producer Darren Aronofsky and Ari Handel offers a chance to interact with cosmic bodies and their remarkable magnetic and other properties.

PROJECT...



Reflecting from that we have come: The Pillers of Creation. (Photo courtesy: NASA. James Webb Telescope)

CALL

Seeking submissions in news, ideas, info, intel, and all that is extra-ordinary.

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TO RAISE A FORTRESS

Preliminary contact was made between Caglary's world architect and Silicon Valley in regards a possible skyscraper complex to be built in the vicinity of Silicon Valley.

Traditionally, it had been difficult to forward and advance serious projects in skyscraper architecture in many cities in California associated with digital enterprises and research and development due to the importance of the heritage in free life style and modest but sophisticated urban development.

The hinge on which this project could be proposed is the ambitious proposal to build on the water, but whether high build technology could support building on the open Pacific Ocean or not means that the complex may yet be proposed on the strait, which can be sheltered from the worst of weathers.

This preliminary meeting occurred at the Banff Venture Forum on October 26, 2022.

The elevator pitch was circulated via digital transmissions, most notably via linkedin and the NFT market. Although a long term project, the success will rest on popularity of concept.

NYC SUBWAY UPGRADE?

Regional Plan Association in New York City has put together an overview to characterize and identify the areas in which investments are needed to bolster performance and maintain the quality of standards of the much loved but now deteriorating subway system of the metropolis.

The plan focuses mainly on logistical issues and does not prioritize the cosmetic appearance of the subway stations because presumably the appearance has less of an impact. Yet, the external appearance of the subway stations greatly affects the phenomenal experience of commuters who utilize the facilities day after day.

There are no known structural issues in the platform system but many details and further improvements have had only small spurts of starting up. Things like chipped paint on structural ibeams due to wrong type of paints at Canal Station, and grime building on walls at Astor place are examples of problems. Artful improvements such as mosaics could not span whole stations and rather simply adorn one odd wall at one station. It is time to examine a solid effort in expanding improvements to the platform stations so that the vision of glory can be realized.

SEEKING MEMBERS

LYRA is currently seeking new members as a members registry is being prepared, with directory and events planned to serve functions related to networking and generating opportunities for meetup and business whether transactional or long term.

LYRA is of course the American Canadian Club of Calgary that seeks to unite all the folks who span both sides of the border, including students, snowbirds, travellers, business people, and many more. News of the organization has yet arrive at all corners of Calgary, a city whose communcation networks are with depth and breadth. With American Canadians distributed within all layers and dimensions belonging to the society in the city of Calgary, it is no surprise that expats are only beginning to hear inklings of this ambitious club.

It is important to note that Canadians of other nationalities have nevertheless established their own associations in this futures oriented city. These include the Dutch, the Germans, the Danes, the Somalians, etc.

Without a doubt. Americans and Albertans have had close relationships bordering on the intimate. Many Americans come to this province, considered by some to be the closest to the USA, from the film industry, from the tech sector, for oil and gas and alterative energy, from academia, and virtually any field of work and activity that becomes of interest to long term locals and cross border friends alike.

Much business is already conducted here in Calgary for its long range sophistication in urban planning where the community can trace its history back to settlement. Manv Americans have settled in this bold and free province, many of whom take pleasure in the open and optimistic working and living environment, as well as the leisure activities in the backcountry.

A website has now been launched at http:// Iyra.nspace.one thanks to sponsorship by n.