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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sales Assistant Aug 2016 – May 2018
Koetsu Furniture Studio, Taipei

- Coordinated sales strategies and design concepts for commercial clients, supporting nearly 400 venues including Louisa Coffee and Starbucks. Result: Boosted customer engagement and supported revenue growth.
- Developed cost-efficient furnishing solutions for startups, balancing budget and design quality.
- Collaborated with architects and design teams to customize furniture to project needs.
- Key Result: Contributed to major projects such as Taipei Sheraton Hotel banquet hall renovation and VVG Food Play & Bar layout, strengthening project delivery and client satisfaction.

Art Editor Assistant Jul 2015 – Aug 2016
Koetsu Furniture Studio, Taipei

- Produced seasonal product catalogs with original copywriting and visual layout design.
- Led product photography and enhanced product images for online listings and marketing materials. Collaborated with architects and design teams to customize furniture to project needs.
- Supported retail sales through client-facing presentations and customer service.
- Key Result: Improved marketing visibility and streamlined brand image, directly supporting sales growth.

SKILL

Design Tools: AutoCAD, Revit, SketchUp, 3DS Max, Lumion, Vray
Graphics & Visualization: Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Hand Sketching
Project Tools: Microsoft Office
Languages: English (Fluent), Mandarin Chinese (Native)

EDUCATION

ACADEMY OF ART UNIVERSITY Sept 2018 - May 2025

San Francisco, CA
M.F.A. Interior Architecture & Design, CIDA Accredited

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY Sept 2010 - May 2014

Taipei Campus, Taiwan
B.A. in Applied English

CERTIFICATIONS

Autodesk Certified Professional: 3ds Max
Autodesk Certified Professional: AutoCAD

AFFILIATIONS

International Interior Design Association (IIDA) – Active Member

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Specialized in custom furniture design and fabrication for commercial projects. Strong project management background, skilled at leading cross-functional teams to meet design and construction deadlines.

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Prosperity Nest Residence

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CHAPTER

PROSPERITY NEST RESIDENCE



DESIGN INTENT

This thesis project holistically reimagines Chinatown's SRO living, inspired by its rich cultural heritage and the resilience of its community. The design goes beyond functionality fostering comfort, adaptability, and long-term sustainability.

LOCATION:
1350 Stockton St., San Francisco, CA



PROSPERITY NEST RESIDENCE

INTRODUCTION

The Prosperity Nest Residence is a transformative Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing redesign located in Chinatown, San Francisco. Commissioned by Valstock Management LLC, a private SRO property owner, this project addresses the challenges of space limitations, livability, and cultural preservation in a high-density urban setting.

As SRO housing serves low-income individuals and families, the goal is to enhance residents' quality of life while respecting historical and cultural context. The design integrates multifunctional and space-saving solutions, improving shared spaces to foster both community interaction and personal privacy. Additionally, advanced material selection and ventilation strategies ensure a healthier and safer living environment.

KEY DESIGN GOALS:

- Optimize space efficiency through adaptable layouts.
- Enhance privacy and communal living balance for residents.
- Improve indoor air quality and material durability for long-term sustainability.
- Preserve Chinatown's cultural heritage while integrating modern design solutions
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KEY STRATEGIES:

- Space-saving solutions: Multifunctional furniture & retractable elements.
- Sustainable design: Green technologies for efficiency & well-being.
- Balanced spatial planning: Enhancing privacy while fostering community.

CORE PRINCIPLES:

- Empowerment – Improving residents' quality of life.
- Innovation – Adaptive, space-efficient solutions.
- Cultural Sensitivity – Preserving Chinatown's identity.
- Well-being – Health-focused living conditions.
- Sustainability – Eco-friendly, long-lasting practices.

SITE ANALYSIS



LOCATION

Address: 1350 Stockton St., San Francisco, CA 94133
 Zoning: NCD-40-X (Neighborhood Commercial District)
 Lot Size: 9,453 SF
 Building Type: Mixed-use (3 stories + basement)
 Built: 1907
 Architectural Style: Italianate

URBAN CONTEXT & CONNECTIVITY

- Vibrant North Beach/Chinatown district with high foot traffic.
- Access to MUNI & Central Subway Chinatown Stop.
- Nearby landmarks: Washington Square Park, City Lights Bookstore, and renowned restaurants.
- Close to Financial District and Union Square, supporting mixed-use development.

EXISTING BUILDING OVERVIEW

- Mixed-use function: Ground-level retail, upper-level residential.
- Zoning Compliance: Follows NCD-40-X guidelines for commercial and residential integration.
- Historical Considerations: Retains Italianate architectural elements, influencing façade treatments and renovation constraints.

FOCUS AREA ONE

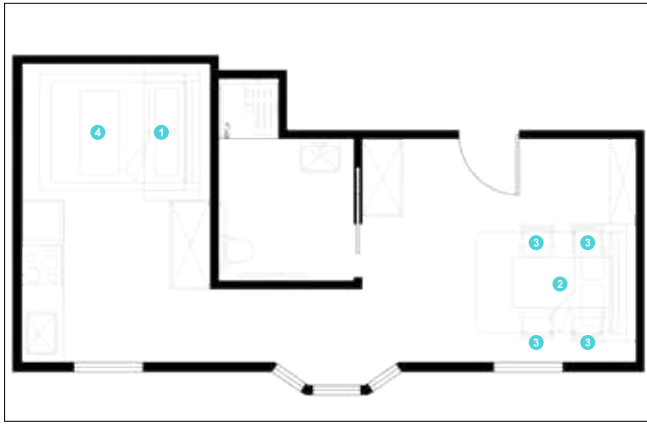
TWO BED UNITS

The Two-Bed Unit at Prosperity Nest Residence is a 380-square-foot space designed for practicality and cultural connection. It includes two queen beds, a small kitchen, a dining area for four, and a compact living space, all ADA-compliant for accessibility. To maximize space, the design features foldable furniture like an electric lift bed that doubles as a dining table and a hidden bed in the sofa area, providing flexibility for different uses. The open layout minimizes solid walls, enhancing flow and openness, while light wood tones and natural colors create a warm, calming atmosphere, making it ideal for small families or shared living.

SKETCH:



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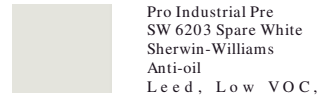


MATERIAL

CEILING COVERING | MDF



WALL COVERING|



FLOORCOVERING|



FURNITURE



CLOUD BED
SOFA EDITION



CLOUD BED
TABLE EDITION



FLIP FOLDING
CHAIR



COFFEE TABLE

LIGHTING



LSO LIGHTBAR SLIM



Juniper Vanity
Mfr Id: VL55529-BK/OP



Cove LED Recessed Downlight with Trim
Mfr Id: 57792WTWT

FOCUS AREA TWO

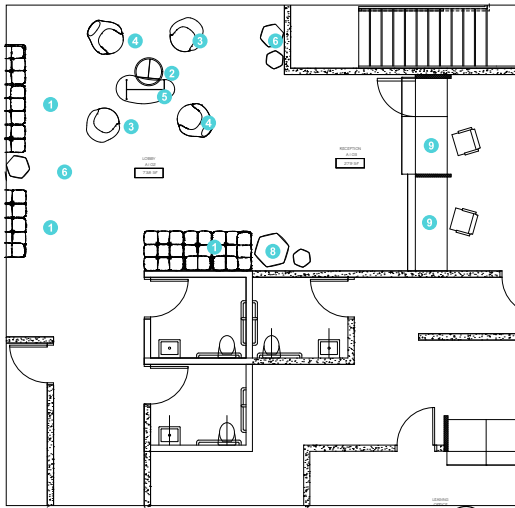
LOBBY & RECEPTION

The Lobby & Reception at Prosperity Nest Residence serves as both an entryway and a community hub, drawing inspiration from traditional Chinese courtyards. It features stone-like flooring, artificial greenery, and local Chinese artwork to evoke a sense of cultural belonging. Designed for both social interaction and accessibility, the space supports elderly residents and families in need, with CCDC providing connections to permanent housing and social resources. More than just a transitional area, this lobby fosters community, cultural identity, and a sense of home, elevating the SRO experience beyond basic housing.

SKETCH:



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MATERIAL

FLOORCOVERING|

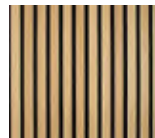


Civilization
CIVBC.IPOLYMOS
13 x 15
Crossville
Floor tile



REVELATION
PWY276
50cm x 1m
milliken
Carpet tile

WALL COVERING|



Fluted Eco
8003
11.75 x 96 x 0.87
LBI Boyd Design
Resource
Wall Panel



Artificial
Greenery
80cm x 80cm
Vertically Green
Deco Wall Panel



Cruz
MNX1163
54 in
MDC Interior
Solutions
Vinyl
Wallcovering



Orac
SX168S-110
200 cm L x 15.1
cm H x 1.4 cm W
Baseboard

FLOORCOVERING|



Tegular Ceiling Panels
Contours 8186D53T10
24" x 48"
Armstrong
Polar(TPO)



Tegular Ceiling Panels

FURNITURE



1 Camaleonda



2 FF67V



5



3 HA80B



4



6



7



9



LIGHTING



1 Visual Comfort
S4040BLK



2 Nuvo Lighting
TK404 3LED



3 Kuzco Lighting
SF15101-BK



4 KETRA
LS0 Lightbar



5 Schonbek
S2456-26OH



6 New Work
Lantern Pendant Lam
SMALL H20cm
Ø20cm
MEDIUM H30cm
Ø30cm



7 Schonbek
S2434-26OH

FOCUS AREA THREE

COMMUNAL KITCHEN

The Communal Kitchen at Prosperity Nest Residence is a multifunctional space designed for both cooking and community connection. It features durable stainless-steel counters, non-slip tiles, and rounded corners for safety and easy maintenance, supporting residents of all ages. The design incorporates wood accents, greenery, and traditional Chinese motifs to honor cultural heritage, creating a warm, inviting atmosphere. High-efficiency LED lighting and strong ventilation ensure a fresh, well-lit environment, making this kitchen a central hub for social interaction, cultural exchange, and shared experiences.

SKETCH:



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MATERIAL

FLOORCOVERING|

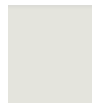
 Adda Silver Porcelain
47"X47"
PORCELANOSA

 SIX PACK Carpet Tile
19.7" x 19.7"
Milliken


WALL COVERING|

 Glossy Thin Brick Tile
Royal White
60 in x 120 in
Wall Tile
Country Floors


 Glossy Thin Brick Tile
Black Glossy
2 1/4" x 7 7/8" x 3/8"
Wall Tile
Country Floors

 Pro Industrial Pre
SW 6203 Spare White
Sherwin-Williams
Anti-oil
Lead, Low VOC,

 Fluted Eco
8003
11.75 x 96 x 0.87
LBI Boyd Design
Resource

 Sublime
SU425-Z-315
H3/8"
Coveworks
Color: Stonewall

CEILING COVERING|

 Beadboard
1149
Medium Density
Fiberboard
5" x 84"
Armstrong

 Bamboo
1271
Medium Density
Fiberboard
5" x 84"
Armstrong

FURNITURE





1
Saarinen Executive Armchair
Item No. 717977
Upholstery: Volo Leather -
Russet
(Spinneybeck)
Base Finish: Light Walnut



2
Celeste Designer Banquette
Customize Banquette
Upholstery: Velvet Radiance


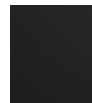


3
Industrial ID3
SS1 Dining Table
Top Finish:
Solid Wood - Teak - Natural
Base Finish: Graphite Black
Thickness: 2"

 Teak - Natural
 Graphite Black



4
Industrial ID3
Kitchen Dining Table
Top Finish:
Solid Wood - Teak - Natural
Base Finish: Graphite Black
Thickness: 2"

 Teak - Natural
 Graphite Black

LIGHTING



CoeLux® HT25
Artificial Sky Light
HT25-3L-DAL-01



Bamboo Wicker Chandelier



6" ROUND FIXED
DOWNLIGHT



LSO Lightbar Slim
HW-LS0UL250WHN



DEN ENCINAL
HOTEL

02

CHAPTER

GOLDEN ENCINAL HOTEL



GOLDEN ENCINAL
HOTEL

A business hotel inspired by Oakland's golden age and its original name Encinal, blending natural elements, street art, and sustainability.

LOCATION:
1540 Broadway St., Oakland, CA





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GOLDEN ENCINAL HOTEL

INTRODUCTION

Golden Encinal Hotel is located at the intersection of Broadway and Telegraph Avenue in Oakland. Surrounded by expressive street art and excellent connectivity, the hotel is designed for business travelers seeking both comfort and efficiency. The project also supports sustainable goals, with features such as green roofs, bike access, and rainwater reuse.

The concept is rooted in Oakland's golden era and its historical name Encinal, meaning "land of oaks" in Spanish. The design takes inspiration from the oak tree's form and uses natural elements to create a refreshing yet grounded spatial experience. It subtly reflects the city's identity—its bridges, ports, and creative energy—through thoughtful materiality and a balance of nature and urban culture.

KEY DESIGN GOALS:

- Create a calming, nature-based atmosphere for business travelers
- Reflect Oakland's identity through history, art, and landscape
- Support environmental sustainability and energy efficiency

KEY STRATEGIES:

- Use oak tree and leaf motifs to echo Encinal's meaning
- Reference Bay Bridge and port structures through abstract architectural forms
- Highlight local street art to embrace Oakland's culture
- Integrate green roofs, solar panels, and wind turbines to reduce environmental impact
- Include rainwater reuse systems and low-energy fixtures throughout the building

CORE PRINCIPLES:

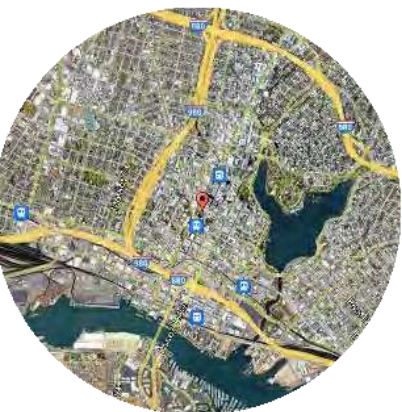
- **Nature-Inspired Calm:** Incorporate biophilic elements to enhance comfort
- **Cultural Identity:** Celebrate Oakland's rich history and artistic presence
- **Sustainable Design:** Apply low-VOC finishes, recycled materials, and energy-saving systems
- **Business Functionality:** Ensure efficiency and clarity in space planning and amenities

SITE ANALYSIS

VICINITY MAP/ PARK



VICINITY MAP/ TRANSITS



VICINITY MAP/ COMMERCIAL



VICINITY MAP/ NOISE AFFECT AREA



LOCATION

Address: 1540 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94612
 Zoning: D-BV (Broadway Valdez District Commercial Zone)
 Lot Size: 0.26 AC
 Building Type: Mixed-use (8 stories + basement)

URBAN CONTEXT & CONNECTIVITY

- Located in Uptown Oakland, a vibrant district rich in arts and culture
- Adjacent to 19th Street BART Station and multiple AC Transit lines, ensuring excellent public transit access.
- Surrounded by landmarks such as Fox Theater, Paramount Theatre, and Jack London Square.
- Proximity to Oakland City Center and Financial District supports mixed-use development.

EXISTING BUILDING OVERVIEW

- Mixed-use function: Ground-level retail, upper-level residential.
- Zoning Compliance: Follows NCD-40-X guidelines for commercial and residential integration.
- Historical Considerations: Retains Italianate architectural elements, influencing façade treatments and renovation constraints.

FOCUS AREA ONE

LOBBY & RECEPTION

Located at the corner of Broadway and Telegraph Avenue in Oakland, Golden Encino Hotel is a business hotel inspired by the city's heritage. The lobby design blends the golden elegance of the "Golden Age" with the natural warmth of oak. Oak leaves, soft gold accents, and refined materials echo the hotel's name, creating a luxurious yet grounded atmosphere suitable for modern professionals.



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MATERIAL



Milliken
URP12-118



Porcelanosa
Artic 23x23



Fluted Eco
8003



Artificial Green
VF Panel

FURNITURE



1 Downtown
Office Chair



2 Brasilia
Canaletto Walnut



3 Brasilia
Canaletto Walnut

LIGHTING

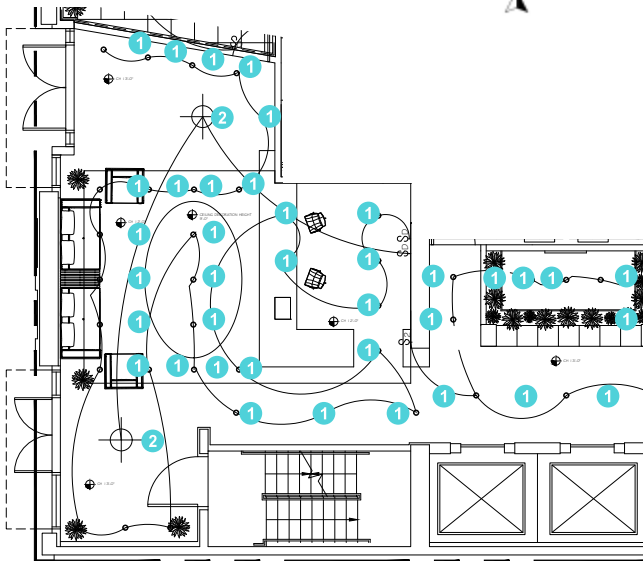


1 4" Round LED
Recessed Light



2 Double Ring LED
Pendant Light

RCP



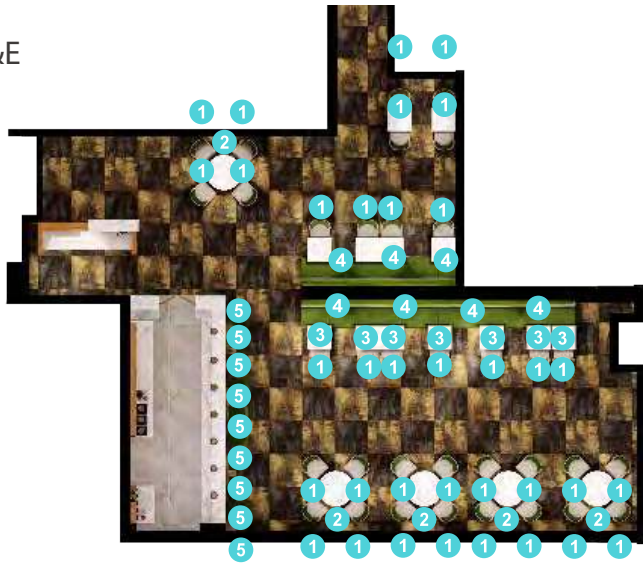
FOCUS AREA TWO

RESTAURANT

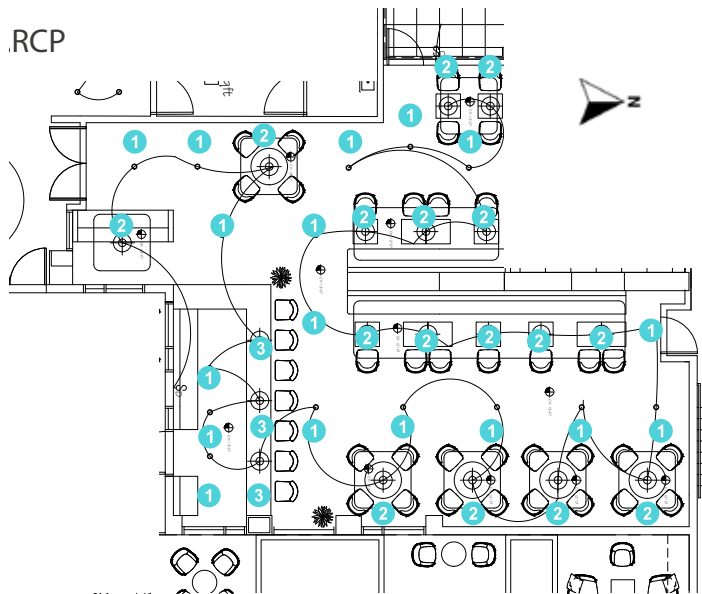
The restaurant continues the Golden Age theme, infused with lush greens and elements of Oakland's vibrant street art. A central skylight and living green wall surround the space with natural light and texture. Bar seating, casual meeting tables, and layered materials create an inviting setting that works for business lunches, family gatherings, or evening dates.



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RCP



MATERIAL



Milliken
URP12-118



Porcelanosa
Artic 23x23



Fluted Eco
8003

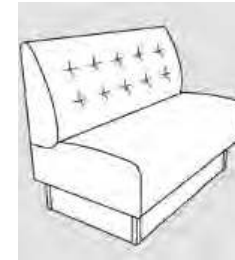


Artificial Green
VF Panel

FURNITURE



1 4" Round LED
Recessed Light



4 ACD Banquette
Float Button
Green Leather



2 Orbit Restaurant
Round



5 ARSTON
BARSTOOL



3 Orbit Restaurant
Rectangle

LIGHTING



1 4" Round LED
Recessed Light



2 18 Raindrop-Shape
Crystal Chandelier



3 Light Society Zeno
Globe Pendant

FOCUS AREA THREE

GUESTROOM

The guest suite living room extends the hotel's street-art-inspired identity, softened with warm tones, arched forms, and inviting textures.

Designed for long-stay travelers staying over 30 days, the space offers comfort and function with a full-sized living area, compact kitchen, private laundry, and a cozy balcony.

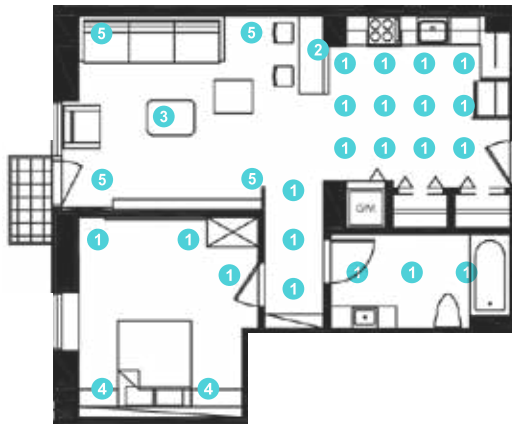
The atmosphere balances creative energy with a sense of home, ideal for business guests seeking both inspiration and rest.



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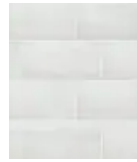
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MATERIAL



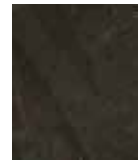
BairdBrothers
Walnut 3/4" x 3"



MSI Porcelain Tile
Alexandra White



MSI Porcelain Tile
Alexandra White



XTONE
Breccia



Country Floors
Glossy Thin Brick

FURNITURE



1 Zanotta William
White 3 Seater



2 Zanotta William
White 3 Seater



3 Simpli Home
Frontier 42



4 MedleyHome
Burr Accent



5 Modloft
Mercer Barstool

LIGHTING



1 4" Round LED
Recessed Light



2 Light Society Zeno
Globe Pendant



3 Modern Forms
Ring Chandelier



4 France&Son
Ball Pendant



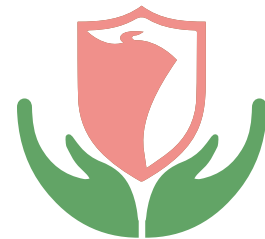
5 WAC Lighting
Two Light Recessed



03

CHAPTER

ROSE GUARDIAN SANCTUARY



ROSE GUARDIAN
SANCTUARY

A Refuge of Peace and Resilience in Rose City Park

Located at 6015 N1 Holiday Street, Portland, Rose Guardian Sanctuary is a refugee center dedicated to supporting displaced Ukrainian families. Nestled in Rose City Park, a neighborhood known for its vibrant rose cultivation, the sanctuary draws its name and spirit from the area's deep connection to roses—symbols of hope, strength, and renewal. Inspired by both the floral heritage of its surroundings and the resilience of the Ukrainian people, the center offers a safe, healing space rooted in compassion and community.

LOCATION:
6015 NE Holladay St., Portland, OR 97213



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ROSE GUARDIAN SANCTUARY

INTRODUCTION

The project focuses on designing a temporary living environment that supports the individual needs of each refugee. The core objective is to provide essential living conditions, including private residential units as well as communal amenities such as shared kitchens, community rooms, computer labs, a gymnasium, a chapel, and small classrooms. The program also includes spaces for social services and administrative support, including a Social Services Office and a Manager's Office.

The public zone features a welcoming lobby, a donation area, and a café, creating opportunities for both interaction and support. Outdoor amenities include playgrounds, a basketball court, resting areas, an open prairie, and a greenhouse for community gardening and therapy. The entire center is designed to be ADA-compliant, ensuring accessibility and a welcoming environment for all users and occupants.

KEY DESIGN GOALS:

- Create a Safe and Nurturing Environment
- Support Emotional and Psychological Healing
- Promote Cultural Identity and Belonging
- Provide Opportunities for Growth and Independence

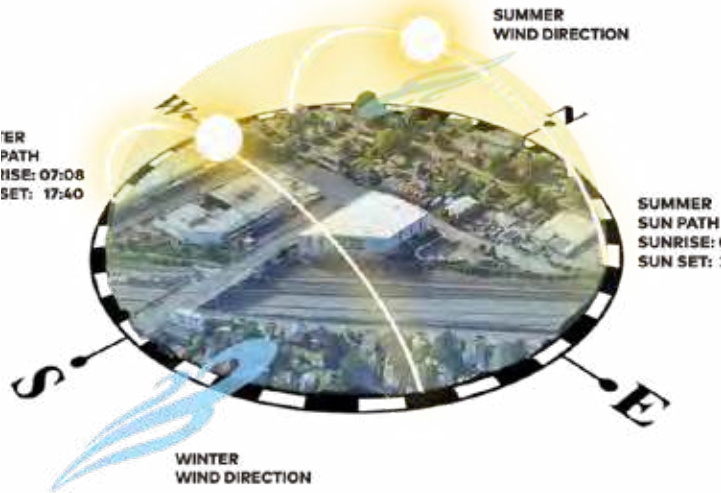
KEY STRATEGIES:

- Sustainable and Biophilic Design: Use eco-friendly materials and connect residents with nature.
- Flexible and Adaptive Architecture: Design adjustable spaces and furniture for diverse needs.
- Healing-Oriented Spatial Planning: Prioritize light, color, and acoustics to create a calm atmosphere.
- Community Integration and Outreach: Include open-access spaces to build ties with the local community.
- Symbolic Design Using the Rose Motif: Feature roses as symbols of strength, beauty, and protection.

CORE PRINCIPLES:

- Healing through Dignity, Empowerment, and Nature
Provide a safe and supportive space where displaced women and children can heal, grow, and rebuild their lives.

SITE ANALYSIS



FOCUS AREA ONE

COMMUNITY AREA

A flexible communal space where residents can relax, read, connect with family, or search for jobs. It also serves as a waiting area for classes or services like the Social Security Office, and supports both individual learning and group activities.

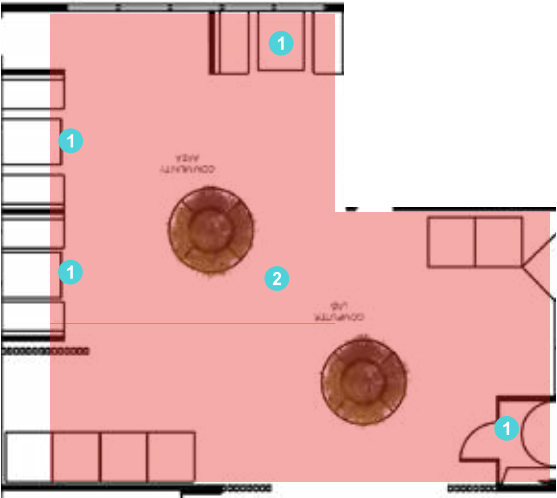
SKETCH:



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MATERIAL



Milliken CUR266



Formica 5887A



WallArt ROSE Dark

FURNITURE



1 Downtown Office Chair

LIGHTING



1 4 inch Round LED Recessed Light



2 METALWORKS Linear MWLD 05

FOCUS AREA TWO

ROSE GUARDIAN CAFÉ

A public café attached to the Rose Guardian Sanctuary, serving both the Rose City Park neighborhood and refugee families. The space offers a serene outdoor garden with flowers and waterfall sounds, creating a peaceful environment for relaxation, casual work, or quality time with loved ones.

SKETCHES:



FF&E



MATERIAL



Milliken
UDG52 Liberty



Slatpanel®
Oiled Oak



Ivy Hill Tile
Cement Silver



Sherwin Williams
SW 9542 Natural White

FURNITURE



1 Fir Noir
Armchair



2 Samson
Coffee Table

LIGHTING



1 4" Round LED
Recessed Light

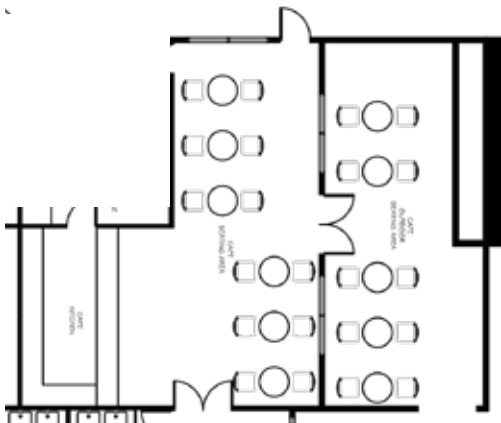


2 METALWORKS
Linear MWLD 05



2 Bed Bath&Beyond
Linear Track Light

RCP



FOCUS AREA THREE

RESIDENTIAL UNIT

SIMPLE AND COMFORTING SPACE.

The Residential Unit, located on the second floor of the Rose Garden Sanctuary, serves as housing for guests from the Refuge Center. This unit includes a fully equipped kitchenette, a dining area that comfortably seats four, a private bedroom, a full bathroom, and a cozy, compact living room. The overall design embraces a minimalist style, creating a warm, inviting space with simple, soothing tones that offer both comfort and a sense of belonging.

SKETCHES:



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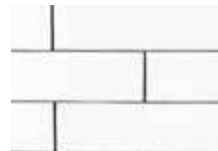
MATERIAL



Wassila Valley
Walnut Flooring



The Tile Shop
484239



Country Floor
Royal White



Sherwin Williams
SW 9542 Natural White

FURNITURE



1 Fir Noir
Dinning Chair



2 Zeno
Nightstand



3 Danetti
89075



4 Perigold
Vanguard



5 Mobili Fiver
Lacopo XXL

LIGHTING



1 4" Round LED
Recessed Light



2 Laredoute
GHJ031

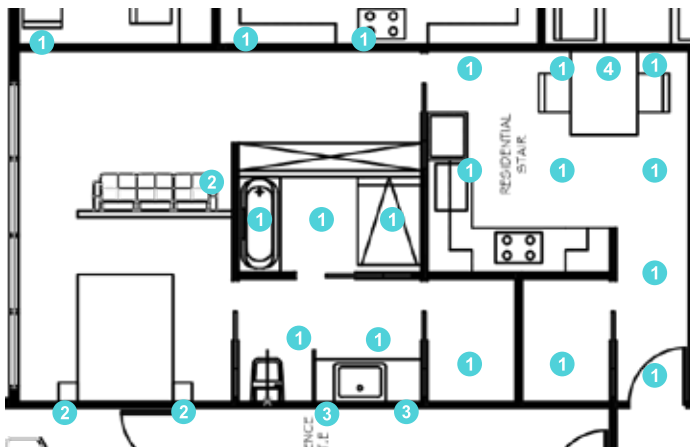


3 GLOBE
B07KK5X65R



4 ALL MODERN
AllModern Paz 1

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2025 Interior Design Portfolio

"Design is not just about making things beautiful, it's
about making people's lives better."

—Roger Martin

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