

Arte Útil archive nr: 230

Initiator: Jenny Polak

Location: United States

Category: politics, social

Users: Jenny Polak, Art Gallery, undocumented immigrants

Maintained by: Jenny Polak, Exit Art

Duration: 2003

Jenny Polak

In situ Sanctuary

Description:

The project is a site specific prototype created to match the space of a gallery. The initiators designed fake column and fake beam which visitors could climb up inside. A monitor connected to a surveillance camera showed who was inside the structure. The initiator designed a series of structures replicating some hidden places which either immigrant workers or persecuted people have been using to hide from the authorities.

Goals:

To hide people form the authorities.

Beneficial Outcomes:

The structures could keep their users purposely invisible and safe when immigration officers arrive.

Images:



