

THE CLIENT



The time spent at St. Francis Seraph helped develop a sense of how children interact with each other, and also with their surroundings. Though most of the time things seemed chaotic, an experience was gained, concluding children learn through high interactive play.

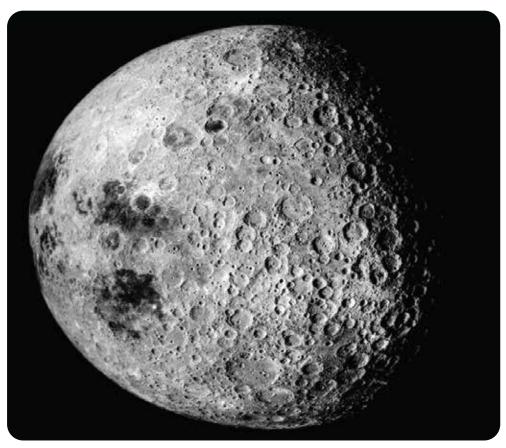








INNOVATIVE LEARNING









The Concept

An idea formed from the simple inspiration of how the sky helps us to think beyond ourselves, this space - focused activity center stems from astronomy, and more specifically, the interaction between humans and the great beyond of the solar system. Everything from gravitational pulls, the moon's affect on the human psyche, and even the study of the phases of the moon, are all impliments made within the concepts of the interior spaces.

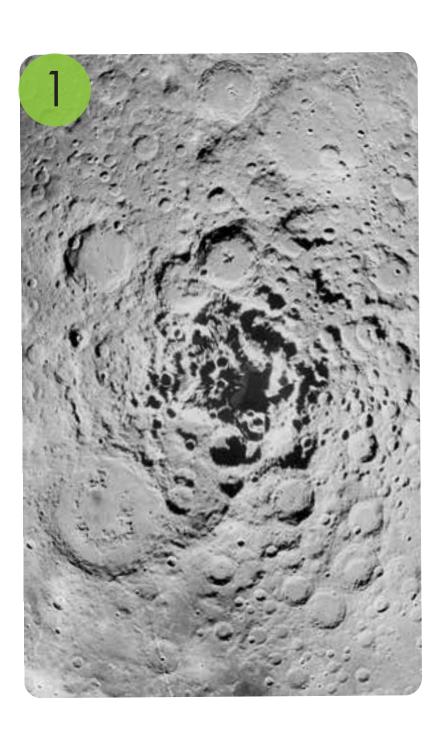
Here and Now

The study of how looking into space inspires what we do here on earth. The focus came about because of the lack of knowledge in the study of the solar system. Especially being near a city, children and adults are not as exposed to the nature of the night's sky. Through the spaces, a chance to explore the unfamiliar surroundings through digital exploration will be of most importance.

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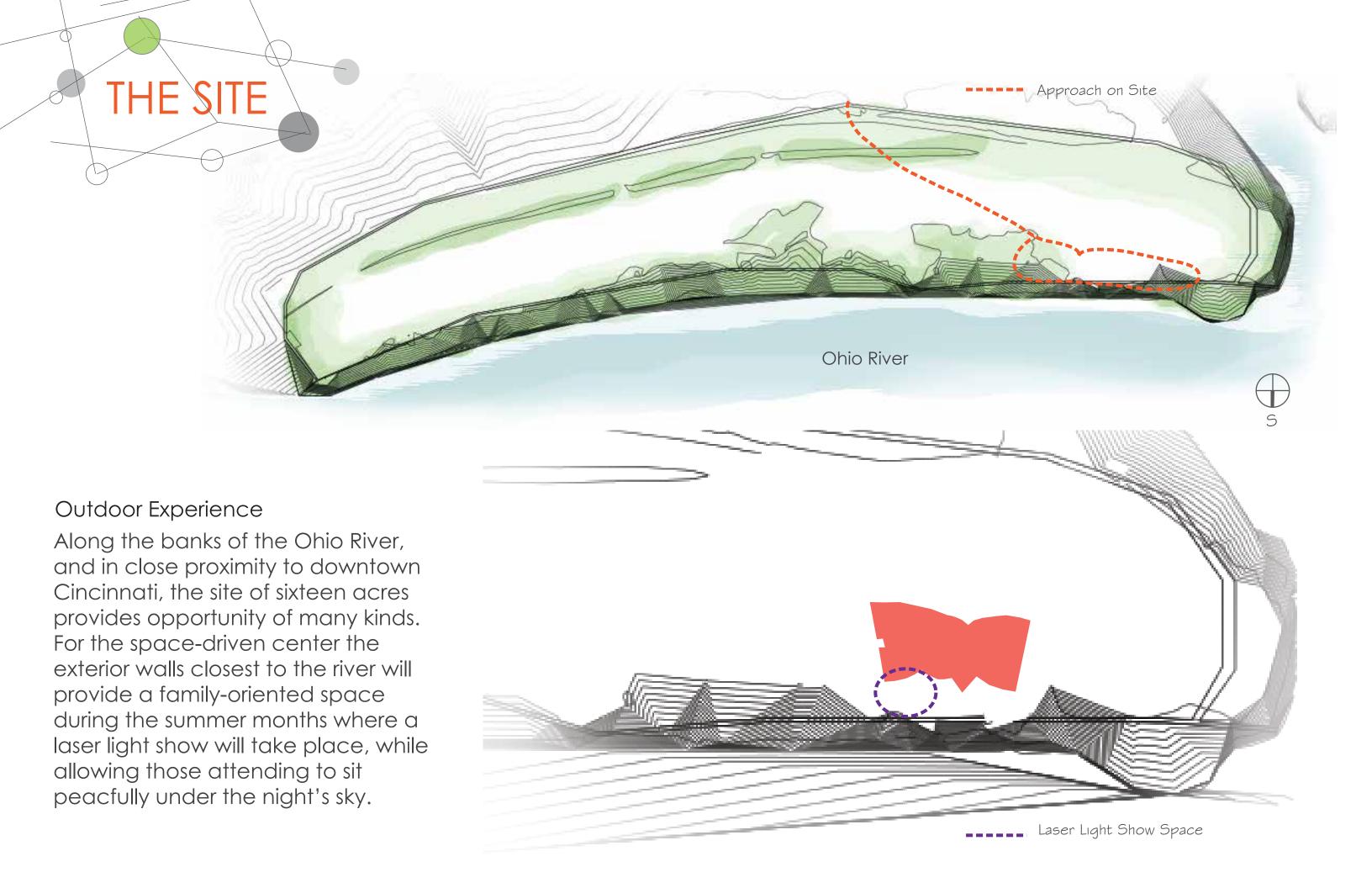
Through the explorations in space, great discoveries have been made that ultimately impact the earth's future.

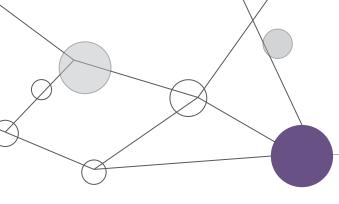
- 1 Water discovered on the moon With water on the moon there is a potential reservoir that could be used for drinking or to make into hydrogen and oxygen which could be used as rocket propellant.
- 2 Space Planting This could be the key to our future. If
 we eventually exhaust the Earth's
 livability, space farming will prove
 vital to the survival of our species.
- 3 Satellites Satellites have allowed us to
 study oceans, the atmosphere,
 clouds, weather, rainforests,
 deserts, cities, ice sheets and
 just about everything else on,
 and even within, our planet.



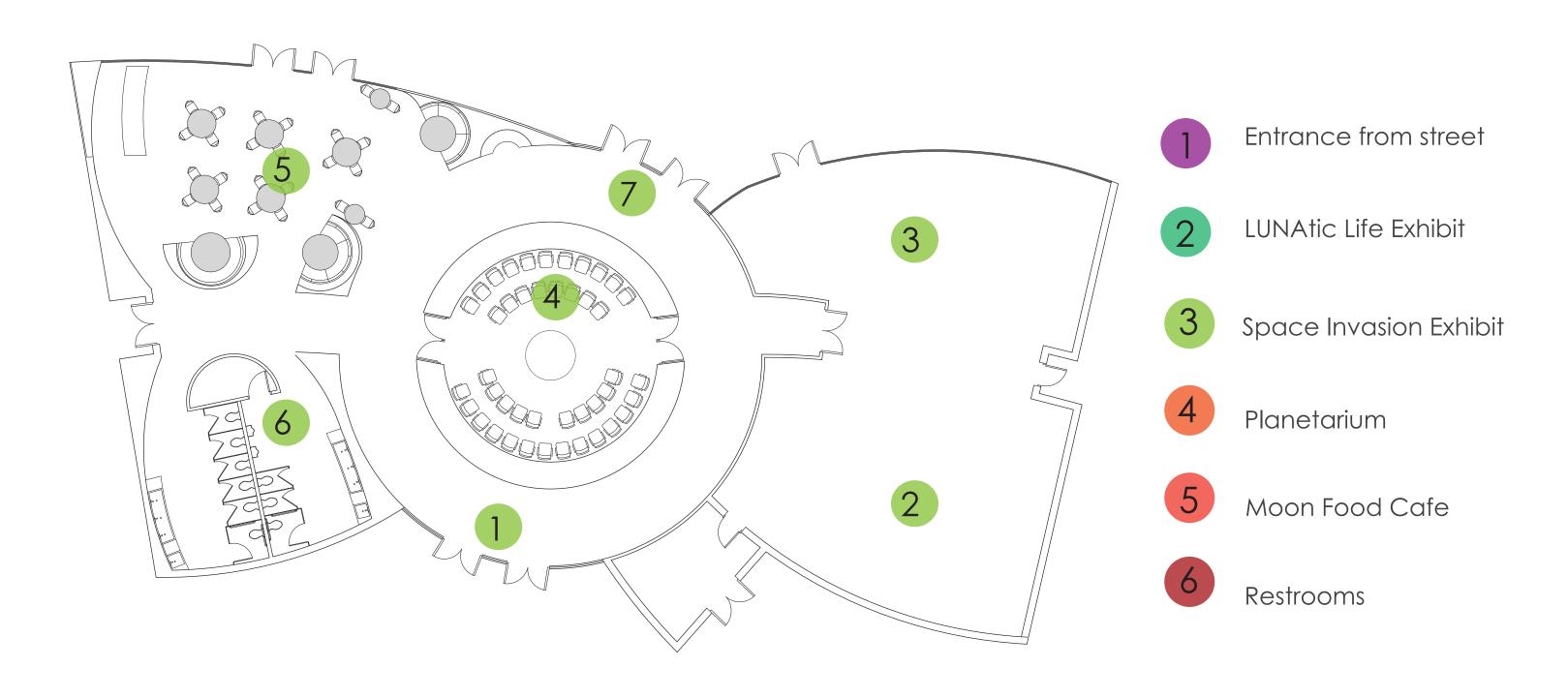


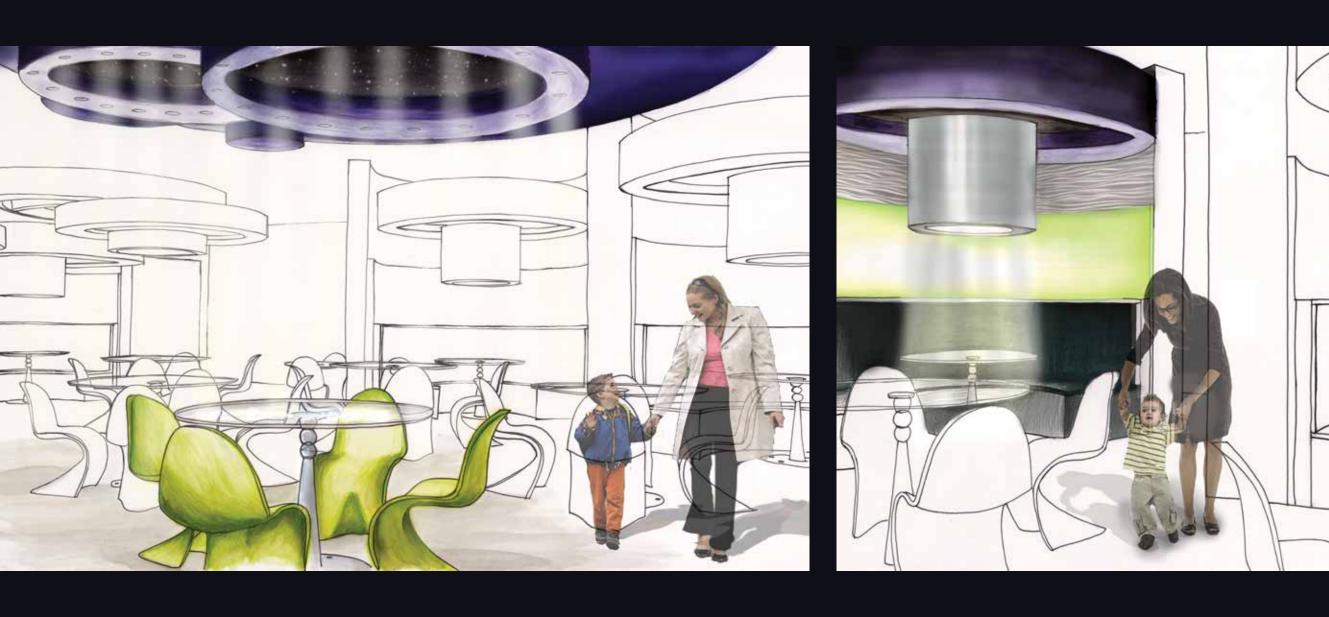






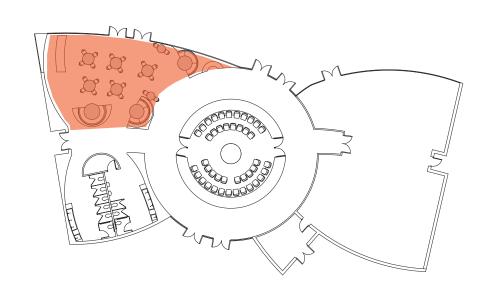
FLOOR PLAN





MOON FOOD CAFE

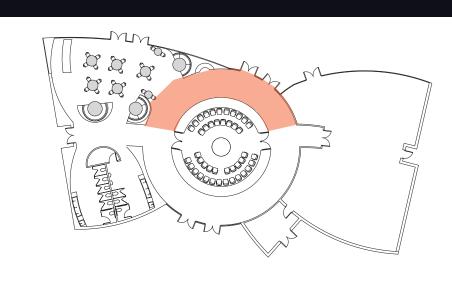
This is no ordinary cafe. With the same food astronauts eat while in space, the children at the Lunar Center will be anxious to try these one-of-a-kind meals! Although the adults may disapprove, the interior setting of the cafe is set to be a treat for anyone, complete with various lighting elements emphasizing the dining area.

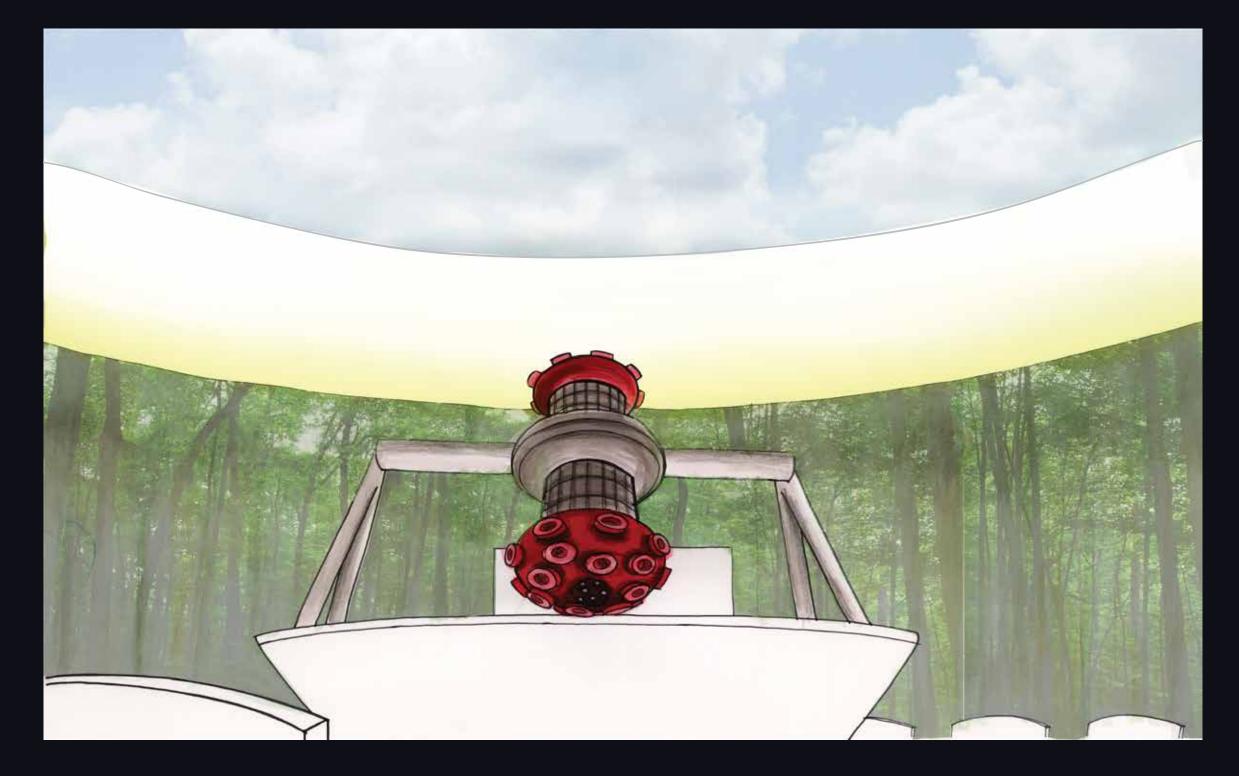




BRITE INTERACTIVE WALL

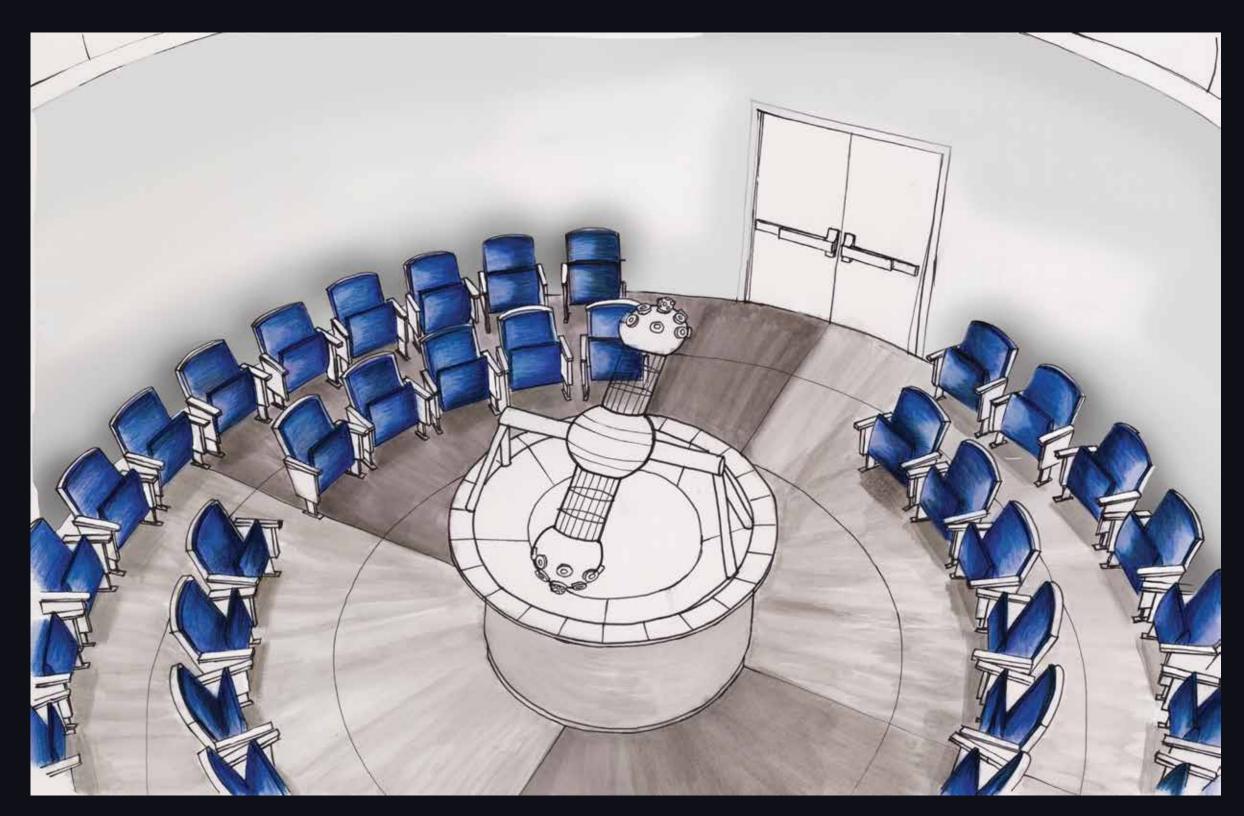
The Brite Wall takes its name from the childhood toy, Lite Brite. And just as the toy, this wall shines neon lights while also making for a highly interactive game for both adults and children. Besides that, the Brite Wall allows for visitors to match specific items along the wall. And also revealing facts about space exploration. Mind blown.





PLANETARIUM

The planetarium space is central to the building, having all the activities throughout the building to purposefully reflect what happens on the interior of the dome. Visitors can clearly connect to the sky that drapes above Cincinnati while in the planetarium's dome. Or perhaps step into another exploration the planetarium offers, such as nature landscapes in various areas throughout the world.



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Seating 45 persons, guests are sure to enjoy the many explorations offered. With a retractable oculus above, guests can sit in pure darkness and see the star constellations, preperhaps have a fully visible viewing during a night showing. Whatever is prefered, visitors of adults and children will be sure to enjoy this family-fun learning experience.