

# Interacting in Liminal Times and Places

How can interactive  
installations address  
the relationships  
between people in  
everyday liminal  
places and times?

Liminal place:  
a transitory space.  
A space that is passed  
through between origin  
and destination.  
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(the arrow is the liminal place)

Liminal time:  
A period of  
transition.  
The time  
between events.  
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(twilight is a liminal time)

Some everyday  
liminal places:  
elevators  
staircases  
airports  
waiting rooms

A gaze-triggered,  
site-specific  
interactive installation  
examining the liminal  
time and space of  
an elevator ride.



Conditional Balance, 2012



A Delicate Agreement, 2011

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