CONSENT

FORM





CONSENT FORM

Testing of a prototype

"PROJECT NAME"

Alphanumeric code assigned to the participant

BACKGROUND

This mandate is part of a collaboration between _______ and PRISM (the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' digital laboratory) that has been funded by ________. A Quebec technology company, ________, has helped develop a prototype of a new digital mediation experience that is to be tested. The aim of the testing sessions in which you will take part is to identify its strengths as well as the problematic features that will have to be improved in order to provide an optimal experience.

PROCEDURE

Following that, you will be required to undergo an approximately 20- to 25-minute-long interview, answering questions that will enable us to gain a better understanding of your experience. During the interview, the person in charge of testing will note down your answers using an interview guide. The session may be recorded, and the project team may consult the recording during data analysis. All files will be de-identified through alphanumeric participant codes.

RISKS AND BENEFITS

Your participation will help advance knowledge and improve our prototype by providing us with a better understanding of your experience of it. During the interview, you will be free to answer or not answer each of the questions without having to justify yourself.

CONFIDENTIALITY

It is agreed that any information collected during the observation or interview shall be confidential and that only members of the research team shall have access to your recording and to the content of the observation and interview charts. You shall have the right to access your personal information and correct it, to the extent prescribed by law.

Data analysis files shall be de-identified and each participant shall be assigned an alphanumeric code. Sound recordings, interview guides and consent forms shall be destroyed 12 months after the data is collected.

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION

Your participation in this project is voluntary, which means that you agree to take part in it without being subject to any compulsion or outside pressure. Furthermore, you are free to end your participation at any time during the course of this research project, in which case any information concerning you shall be destroyed.

SIGNATURES

I acknowledge having read this consent form and I voluntarily consent to taking part in this research project as a participant.

I understand that I shall have to take part in the research process by undergoing the proposed experience, answering questions and submitting my ideas. I also understand that I shall be taking part in a study for which I will be asked about my views, wants and reactions in relation to the digital content and prototype being considered by the project team.

I also acknowledge that the person in charge of the research project has answered my questions in a satisfactory manner and that I have had sufficient time to think about my decision to participate. I understand that my participation in this research project is completely voluntary and that I may end it at any time, without penalty of any kind or justification to be given, simply by informing the person in charge of the project.

Signature of the participant:	Date:	
Signature of the person in charge of the project ()
or other authorized person:	Date:	

Please keep the first copy of this consent form for any future communication with the project team and give the second copy to the person in charge of the project.

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT OR YOUR RIGHTS?

Contact the person in charge:

Name of the participant (please print):