

## COEXIST Practicing togetherness



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Bicolored striped



Black blister beetle (Epicauta pensylvanica)



Worm (Lumbricus terrestris



Eastern red centipede



Eastern Tiger Swallowtail (Papilio glaucus)



Monarch Butterfly (Danaus plexippus)



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*Coexist - Practicing togetherness* is a multi-species framework for living, an experiment of a potential future triggered by the harmonious integration of its components. The pier at the center of the area serves multiple purposes; it functions as a table, a bench, a playground, a planter, and an animal shelter. Its vertical surfaces, made of rammed earth, are excava-

ted to create burrows, nests and passages, while the horizontal surface is assembled by reusing the same plywood boards used to cast the walls. Both human and non-human visitors are encouraged to engage with the space, utilizing the pier as a public infrastructure for sitting, resting, eating, walking, and potentially inventing new uses. The area can also serve as a venue for talks and discussions about potential futures. The project has a minimal environmental footprint. After two years of existence, its walls could be demolished, the plywood chopped and mixed with the ground. Nourished by the efforts of its animal and plant inhabitants, it could be repurposed to breathe life into another area.





SnowShoe Hare (Lepus americanus)



Raccoon (Procyon lotor)



Chipmunk (Tamias striatus)



Deer mouse



Fox squirrel (Sciurus niger)



Groundhog (Marmota monax)



American Mink (Neogale vison)



American Marten (Martes americana)



Pocket gopher (Thomomys bottae)



North american river otter (Lontra canadensis)



Star-nosed mole (Condylura cristata)



Virginia Opossum (Didelphis virginiana)





Hordeum jubatum





Baptisia alba



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*plan* - 1:60



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"It's coexistence or no existence" Bertrand Russell



elevation - 1:75





section - 1:75







1 Plywood formwork filled with layer of earth mix with gravel, clay, etc.

2 Layer compacted using phenumatic backfill tamper

3 Horizontal layers of moist earth added and compressed

4 Later the framework is removed to reveal the rammed earth wall

## CREATING HABITATS FOR ANIMALS



## INTRODUCING SOIL FOR PLANTS

