Proceeding through the facility provides a syncopated rhythm of compressed, interior oriented spaces to expansive, outward facing canyons. Views that were withheld upon approach are revealed spectacularly from the interior. Vistas to the shoreline and distant cliffs draw people along the length of the galleries, depositing them at the foot of the wilderness.

Thunder Bay, Ontario has long had a connection to the environment. Without the natural resources in the surrounding landscape the city would not have developed. Dominating the horizon is the Sleeping Giant. To reclaim the traditionally industrial shore for public and commercial use, allowing the city to get closer to its iconic landform.