Terry Podgorski Work Sample 1

"Onērus"
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In this sample, find the first three pages of the script for the live production as well as the final design of a brochure provided to guests for world building.

P. 1-3 Script - Onērus P. 4 Brochure for Onērus Dream Spa Script: Onērus

Characters:

Tristan Orlinsky Dream Viewer Iris Sakai Dream Viewer

Trey Crick Director of Onerus Corporation

Sylvan Hall Congresswoman of Oceanus Corporation. Parent

company of Onērus.

Dexter Level 2 Bureaucrat

Dement CFO of Nyx Corporation

Brook Deviant 637 Jonathan Deviant 842

Setting:

2046. Seattle. The Original Dream Viewing Chamber of Onerus Inc.

Audience enters and are greeted by a friendly figure on a monitor that welcomes them to Onērus and congratulates them on attending the Viewing this evening. They are processed and scanned. They have earned this Dream Viewing; for some it is a gift, for others a company perk, and for a few it is an expense that took years to afford. They are Clients, members of the current corporate system of government. They are escorted into the Viewing Chamber by Technicians.

The Chamber is dominated by the original Watt's Dream Viewing Machine. Suspended from the ceiling it consists of various pipes and panels and cabling. At the top it is large in diameter approximately 10', but as it descends it decreases in diameter until it terminates in a long steel rod with a Viewing Visor attached. The visor descends like a periscope until it surrounds the head of the viewing subject.

On the far side of the room, opposite the entrance is a long, rectangular window through which various technicians, phycisians, and other VIPs monitor the progress of the Viewing. It glows pale green- the corporate color of Onerus, and from here the voice of Control emanates. And flanking this window are 2 plexi-glass cells where the evening's subjects rest before they are needed. Subject 637 is already in place at the top of the show.

Scene #1: Future of Dreams

Audience is sat. Cue music. Cue lights. Cue Orientation Video. The same figure that greeted the audience at the entrance appears on our projection screens. The character is female, well dressed, but not ostentatious. The background is that of a gleaming building or serene city park.

HOST VIDEO: Clients, welcome to Onerus where dreams become your reality. Onerus

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You have earned the opportunity to experience a night of organic dreams

Since the advent of blank sleep, Onērus has provided lucid and stimulating dreams. Here, dreams are not grown from a logarithm of

random experiences. Our methods are based on the work of the late, great Professor Watts who pioneered neural technology and thought extraction, and we guarantee a level 5 dream or better every time.

Technicians enter serving a small cup of liquid or soup for each audience member to drink.

Let us begin. You will be administered a combination of bodily sedatives and neural stimulants to mimic the state of paradoxical sleep. These chemicals open your mind to the drift, that realm of slow and deep sleep where dreams exist. At Onērus we refer to this state as Viewing.

Remember, we have no direct control over these dreams, and as such, you may experience fear or anxiety along with joy and exhilaration. But the opportunity to synthesize the truly organic is why Onērus remains unique. You are in capable hands.

We take pride that through advancements in neural connectivity we have developed a social technology that supports prosperity in people's daily lives and in society as a whole.

I will now count down from six and at that time you will experience the Drift, and your Viewer, Iris, will take over. 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

The logo of Onerus appears on the screen and slowly glows as if breathing.

CONTROL: Sedation complete. Begin Viewing.

Video screen out. A Technician leads in Deviant 842 weary and confused. They approach the central platform and stand beneath the Watt's Machine.

842: What is this place and who are these people? What's wrong with them?

Technician remains silent, places 842 in the restraints below the Machine, then exits. 842 calls after the technician.

Don't leave.

842 speaks to the empty room or the Machine or as if there is a camera in the space.

I have connections in the Backwater. I can get you anything you want.

Enter Iris.

IRIS: Here, at Onērus, our credit accounts are always clear, 842. We have

no need for bribes.

842: I didn't do anything to deserve this.

IRIS: I am almost done entering your Viewing parameters, and then we can

begin. Since this is your first time we will drift lightly. Thank you for your

patience Deviant 842.

842: My name is Jonathan.

Viewer Iris ignores the statement and continues focused on the tablet.

What is this thing?

IRIS: That is the original Watt's Machine. With some appropriate modifications.

842: It is real.

IRIS: Very real.

842: And what exactly does it do?

IRIS: It extracts your stressors 842.

842: You're going to relieve my stress?

IRIS: In a manner of speaking, yes. Though it takes time to feel truly calm. You

are about to undergo your first Viewing.

842: I just passed along some cerebral disks. To a friend. I don't know why

I'm here. I was never sentenced. I'd like to leave.

IRIS: That is not possible, but do not worry. Everything we do here is

completely transparent.

842: Why are you doing this?

Iris refers to the audience.

IRIS: This is a transaction. Our Clients reap the benefits of the extraction from

you. By the end of your Viewing Treatments you will understand the benefits of what we do here. Perhaps even you will want to become

transparent. Engaging firewalls.

Viewer Iris touches her neck and the Sync Disk embedded below the skin glows red.

842: My thoughts are mine.

IRIS: All thoughts are our thoughts. Request assistance.

Enter Technician who firmly moves Deviant 842 into place. Visor descends.



WHERE DREAMS BECOME YOUR REALITY

Since the advent of Blank Sleep, Onērus® has provided lucid, stimulating dreams. Only Onērus® uses Professor Louis Watts' patented dream extraction technology, making our **Dream**Chambers Cascadia's only source for organic dreams guaranteed to reach a Level Five or better on the Orlinsky Dream Scale.

SIGNATURE SERVICES

An Evening of Organic Viewing

Guaranteed three dreams or more with full sensory impressions in one of our Dream Chambers, with up to 60 other Transparent guests.

400 CREDITS

A Private Viewing

A singularly unique experience offering intimate, sensual dream experiences.

900 CREDITS

Dream Aftercare/Interpretation

A thrilling and enlightening personal deconstruction of your experience with an expert in Dream Viewing.

350 CREDITS



OUR STORY

In 2022 Oceanus had the foresight to purchase Professor Louis Watts' Machine after his untimely death and to create our first subsidiary, Onērus®. At the time, we could not know the power of his invention, but after Oceanus released the Sync Disk in 2026 connecting humanity to the Internet neurally, and Blank Sleep ensued, the Watts Machine's worth

In 2028 Director Trey Crick pioneered the Viewing Process in which we reable to enter the Drift and experience others' dreams. The Onērus® experience is 100% organic and superior to the inorganic dream feeds offered today by its competitors. Our clients describe a feeling of elation after a night of Organic Dreaming, but more importantly their time in the drift helps restore neural pathways, improving memory and increasing emotional clarity.