

THE EXPERIENCE OF WAITING



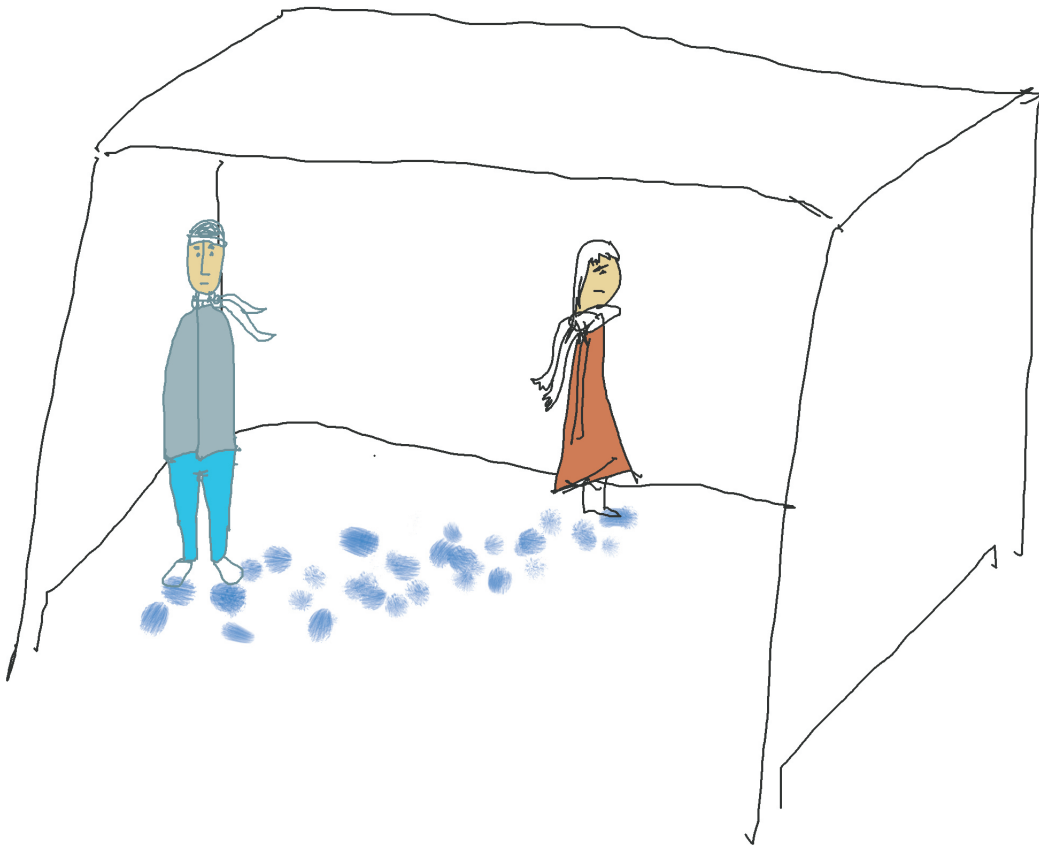
My idea comes from my experiences with the weather and the means of transportation here in Helsinki.

The transportation as such works fine but still one can come in a situation where waiting is necessary. It is never fun to be dependent on a bus and thus wait for it to arrive especially not in the cold winter in Helsinki.

Also people are waiting in the same glass box but are not interacting with each other. There can be a lot of reasons for that, but it would still make the waiting better if one did not use all one's time to look at the watch. When one is waiting by oneself time always seems to go slower than waiting in a group.

But the friends cannot be there all the time. This is where my idea comes in, because the group is already there.

With my idea I see a potential to make the waiting more fun and bearable. It's cold and often dark. So the prototype should confront that issue and try to create a more lively and cosy space where waiting is not a problem. Different sensor could activate some kind of mood light that lights up where the passengers are. Maybe make them connect. ex. these fake simple shadows appears when people stand in the waiting area, and they try to connect with other peoples shadows, so people are forced to recognize the other people waiting. Maybe even smile to each other or open up.



A different solution could be to learn about the area where you are waiting, through some kind of interactive narrative.