

Now is your chance to volunteer!

OPEN CALL for volunteer performers, photographers, and videographers

Date Needed: September 22, 2023

About The Keepers

"The Keepers" is a performance scheduled for September 22 to bring attention to the demolition of Penn Station neighborhood's historic buildings, urban fairy tale propaganda of luxury-city infinite growth, and the disregard of the natural limits of density. The Keepers appear when life is out of balance with nature in response to the gentrification and rapid mass development of urban areas where the importance of the mixed-use neighborhood, history of the area, and the natural environment has been disregarded. The Keepers are a fictional life form living on the border between animal and plant consciousness. One of the Preservation League of NYS's Seven to Save (STS) program highlighting at-risk historic sites throughout New York State. This project, funded by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Roles You as a Volunteer can Play

Chasers: Two performers wearing safari-like costumes are hobbyists (like storm chasers) who will obsessively follow The Keepers to different sites for adventure, scientific investigation, and reporting to news and media coverage. In the performance the two Chasers report information why The Keepers have appeared in the Penn Station neighborhood to the general passerby public and the attending press.

People in Black: a variety of performers who are dressed in all black wearing sunglasses who play mysterious silent federal agents surrounding and observing the hubbub appearance of The Keepers at three locations in the Penn Station neighborhood.

Photographers and videographers are needed to document and call attention to the appearance of The Keepers in the Penn Station neighborhood.

Interested? Please email the producer of the event: Ed Woodham at <u>edwoodham@gmail.com</u>