

Audio Description:

Multiple generations of an Indo-Caribbean-American immigrant family of six from Guyana and Trinidad visit SUMMIT together on a sunny day. They are vibrant in every aspect, from their jewel-toned Western clothing to their collective joyful energy. Annie has cerebral palsy and uses a manual wheelchair pushed by a family member, while Pearly and Lakshmee live with non-apparent disabilities.

Welcoming SUMMIT team members attend to them, from guiding them throughout the experience to snapping smartphone photos. The delighted family joins crowds soaking in the shine and grandeur of the multi-floor, multi-sensory immersive experience. The space is a sensory feast with twinkling lights, the sounds of whooshing air, and floor-to-ceiling mirrors that reflect both the New York City skyline and the people inside exploring SUMMIT.

(logo whooshing)

Logo for SUMMIT One Vanderbilt. Clouds reflect on the glassy skyscraper.

(upbeat music)

Lakshmee:

I'm Lakshmee Lachhman-Persad and this is my family. Today we're visiting SUMMIT. SUMMIT has been on our bucket list for a while, so we're really excited to visit.

Once I booked our tickets, I called SUMMIT to explain our accessibility needs and they assigned a dedicated team member to greet our family and provide accommodations upon arrival.

SUMMIT Team Member:

Hi everyone, welcome to SUMMIT. How are you doing today? How are you?

Annie:

Hi.

SUMMIT Team Member:

All right, everyone, you ready to go? You can follow me.

Lakshmee:

We're a multi-generational family with a variety of age groups and my sister Annie, who was born with cerebral palsy, uses a wheelchair. Having the option to take an expedited line is great.

SUMMIT Team Member:

Anybody need any assistance or some seats?

Lakshmee:

I do, I need a seat.

SUMMIT Team Member:

Sure. Here, I'm going to give you these shoe covers. You're going to come this way to my colleague Josh. He's going to help you find a seat.

Lakshmee:

Thank you.

Audio Description:

Neil pushes Annie through a dark tunnel with pulsating bars of light, and they head to the elevator.

SUMMIT Team Member:

Hi guys, welcome to SUMMIT. Are you guys okay with flashing lights? Yeah? Yes, then come on in. Have fun, everybody.

(people murmuring)

Audio Description:

They walk into a tall mirrored elevator illuminated by pulsing lights.

Diya:

Wow, it's so nice in here, guys.

(all laughing)

Audio Description:

The elevator darkens, then light and shadows dance across the pulsing lights.

Announcer:

Please start the journey to your right.

Audio Description:

The doors open to a red glow.

Diya:

Ooh look, Auntie.

(slow relaxing music continues)

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They stream into a massive room with floor-to-ceiling windows that open to spectacular views of the city and mirrors creating reflections of everyone inside.

Diya:

Whoa.

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Wearing sunglasses, they take in the view, then move to the next room of the installation.

Lakshmee:

Annie's an artist, so being able to explore creative spaces and see other artists' work inspires her.

Annie:

Yeah.

Lakshmee:

That one's good.

Annie:

Yeah, it's good.

(slow relaxing music continues)

(all laughing)

Audio Description:

Glistening, silvery cloud sculptures on the ground. Now in a room of silver balloons like bubbles, they toss the balloons to each other.

(sound of Balloon bouncing off the camera)

Lakshmee:

SUMMIT's team has been very helpful in navigating us through the space.

Audio Description:

Heading onto a glass ledge floating above Manhattan.

Annie:

Wow.

Lakshmee:

It means a lot to be able to have this experience together as a family. We represent many identities ranging from our disabilities to our ages, as well as our cultural heritage.

Hey.

Rayan:

Oh my God.

Lakshmee:

We had such a great time at SUMMIT.

SUMMIT Team Member:

Say, "New York!"

Audio Description:

A SUMMIT team member takes pictures of the family. Then they pass a huge video screen of drifting pink clouds.

(slow relaxing music continues)

Lakshmee:

What's inside this space is what sets it apart. The views are also amazing.

Audio Description:

The sun sets. The skyline twinkles.

Lakshmee:

And the skyline for us is such a symbol of pride and joy.

(slow relaxing music continues)

Audio Description:

In the bustling rooftop café, they toast with champagne and cocktails.

Lakshmee:

We can't wait to come back.

Neil:

Cheers.

Lakshmee:

SUMMIT One Vanderbilt's Video Tour Through SUMMIT: Full Transcript

Happy Anniversary.

Audio Description:

Wide smiles all around. Text: In collaboration with. White logos appear at the bottom of the screen. Logos: Accessible Travel NYC in stylized text and Potter Production in stylized text with two swooshes swirling on the left. Fade to black. Text: Book your visit today. Learn more about accessibility at SUMMIT by exploring this webpage. Logo for SUMMIT One Vanderbilt.