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The latest Vancouver Biennale exhibit is by British artist Peter Liversidge. His list of 17 “Rules For Vancouver” is posted at 10 bus stops.

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THE RULES FOR VANCOUVER.

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1. As a member you will know what to do.
2. Every visitor is permitted to take one 90 second time-out, which must be taken during daylight hours.
3. Keep everything at arms length.
4. When walking either **on** public or private land you must always, always, move and dress like a monk.
5. Name everything clearly.
6. The number of throws, hits or goes should be limited to five.
7. **DO NOT** cause damage to Vancouver, accidental or not.
8. Cough.

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A copy of the “Rules For Vancouver” posted at 10 Vancouver bus stops as part of the Vancouver Biennale.

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Rule No. 1: As a member you will know what to do.

So kicks off a list of 17 “Rules For Vancouver” posted at [10 bus stops](#), the latest public art project to hit the streets as part of the Vancouver Biennale, a non-profit that brings public art to the city.

British artist Peter Liversidge decided to write the rules during a one-month stint in the city for an

international artist residency where he dreamed up 60 artwork proposals. He hammered out the rules on an analog Olivetti typewriter.

They range from the bizarre – “move and dress like a monk” – to the dutiful – “remember to be considerate, don’t interrupt, be honest and don’t conceal the truth.”

The Vancouver Biennale hopes by placing the rules at bus stops, commuters will be inspired to interact with the rules or create their own.

It’s part of the organization’s mandate to bring art to the people and inspire them by creating an outdoor museum of sorts. Previous projects include A-maze-ing Laughter, the beloved laughing men sculptures at English Bay, and Giants by Osgemeos, the massive characters painted on the concrete silos on Granville Island.

The organization is asking people to vote for their favourite rule and/or create a rule of their own as part of an online engagement campaign that ends May 1.

Keep your eyes peeled for the rules when you catch the bus (postings include Davie and Bute, Commercial and Adanac, and Pender and Carrall) and vote for your favourite rule at twtpoll.com/vancouverrules.