

[ZaZa insiders question - what's up with room 322?](#) (self.houston)

submitted 3 days ago\* by [joelikesmusic](#)

stay here frequently when on business. Hotel was booked solid and my colleague managed to score a room unplanned. We all had normal zaza style rooms (swank) and he ended up in this goth dungeon closet.

Seriously- the room had a chain holding the bed to wall, pictures of skulls and a creepy, incongruous portrait of an old man. Room was about 1/3 the normal size with the furniture blocking part of the TV, bed and window.

We asked about it at the front desk and the clerk looked it up and said " that room isn't supposed to be rented." and immediately moved him.

Anyone know whats up with this room?

adding link to imgur album [here](#)

Edit to add the follow up from the Houston Press. [Link](#)

Now I have to go and see if I can make reservations in the yacht room.

Edit 2: Chronicle emailed and I put them in touch with my friend who stayed in this room. [Link](#)

. His name isn't max but that isn't the point of the story. I still don't understand why these rooms aren't on the website (when all the other themed rooms are and this is a hotel - meaning they want to rent rooms).

Edit 3: This thread has been fun. I'm not much for conspiracy theories and don't really buy all the skull and bones stuff. I just wanted to know what was up with the room and figured someone on here might know a bit.

lots of the posts are asking questions about the pictures - they were taken months ago and no staging was involved. I'm not the photographer, just a curious Houston traveler usually in town for work with a group - one of whom happened to get this room and had the forethought to take photos.

And to the very new redditor offering me a bounty to delete this thread - I'll totally do it because cash is cash. But i don't want to die either. So let's do this publicly - I'm posting your message you sent me. And we can meet at the Monarch bar next week - I'll be in town on Monday & will update this thread when I get to Monarch so we can meet. [screencap of offer](#)

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This man is dead, call the cops

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This man is named lizzy, I'm confused

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No, find a Toool member (or similar hacker/locksmith) and go **exploring** anonymously. Bring back an exterior shot, pace off the distance between doorways, chart the room out on exterior of building, find a way into 320/324, etc. There are plenty of ways to contribute to the story, and no need to die or (more likely) get suckered by something faked.

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Haha, yes, no need to go and walk in the public front door of a place and ask something entirely legal. You'll *getkilled!*. Instead, commit numerous crimes with the help of a total stranger you found on Craigslist.

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RIP in peace o0xlizzy0o

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Rest In Peace in peace indeed.

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Maybe Tool could write a song to raise awareness?

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Rest in peace in peace?

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"Statement from Zaza on a thread on their Facebook:

For all you ZaZa fans, you've grown to love our thematic Concept & Magnificent Seven Suites. Because Hotel Zaza Houston's footprint is in a historic building, rather than sacrifice the original structure, we embraced several compact rooms on the second floor and developed them with themes! The room referenced is Hard Times – a playful take on a jailhouse experience. It's compact, yet well-equipped with a spacious balcony overlooking the pool! True to the ZaZa experience, expect the unexpected."

**Mother fucking viral marketing strikes again!**

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Just requested the room myself! First availability is this Sunday

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[\[-\]quakerlaw](#)The Heights 878 points 3 days ago

322 is a number relevant to the Skull & Bones secret society at Yale: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull\\_and\\_Bones](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull_and_Bones)

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[\[-\]AFlyingToaster](#)Katy 213 points 3 days ago

There could be something to this.

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[\[-\]hoboballs](#) 386 points 3 days ago

oh no doubt. this is def a room for old Yalies to bang hookers

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[\[-\]something\\_stoopid](#) 146 points 2 days ago

I'm gonna take a stab and say old Yale dudes to get beat up by angry women.

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[\[-\]theantigeist](#) 57 points 2 days ago

Not too far from Bush Sr.'s place at the Houstonian...

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[\[-\]yee562](#) 11 points 2 days ago

[well he was in Skull and Bones and went to yale also...](#)

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Obviously a fetish room for republicans. The pic of the old guy on the wall gives it away.

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Jay Comeaux

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[\[-\]fuckyouhoboballs](#) 27 points 2 days ago

Or your mom.

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[\[-\]hoboballs](#) 53 points 2 days ago

Oh how I've missed you. How are the kids?

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[\[-\]aSwarmOfGoats](#) 10 points 2 days ago

Upvoted Hoboballs because he's important enough that someone had to name their account "fuckyouhoboballs".

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[\[-\]blakefoster](#) 45 points 2 days ago\*

I'm not a big conspiracy guy, but what the actual fuck? Bush Sr, Bush Jr, AND his 2004 opponent John Kerry were all members of Skull and Bones. So that's kinda weird, but it's probably just a group of rich guys keeping secrets not much different from the Freemasons, right? Did some research, and besides a bunch of conspiracy theories that may or may not be true, I came across actual [video of one of their rituals](#)

. Some serious fucking creepy shit.

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[\[-\]Thevents](#) 14 points 1 day ago

Business leaders and politicians also go to [Bohemian Grove](#)

. If you ask me its pretty god damn weird that these people are apparently practicing Paganism. If you look at the ritual that the Bohemian Grove people are doing it apparently has to do with a Babylonian God Moloch which people sacrificed children to. Talk about seriously creepy shit, and these are the people in power.

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[\[-\]tloves](#) 4 points 1 day ago

yeah.. This is way beyond typical hazing ceremonies. I've heard of some weird initiations, but nothing like this..

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Creepy

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This could shed some light on the guy in the portrait.

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[\[-\]KhabaLox](#) 141 points 2 days ago

He's an [LSU](#)

grad.

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[\[-\]taybless](#) 92 points 2 days ago

Yep it's definitely him. He worked out of Houston, so it's very likely that that is, or was his room. He was also apparently involved in some sort of securities fraud- <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/08/31/us-sec-stanford-comeaux-idUSBRE87U1B920120831>

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[\[-\]cheops1853](#) 240 points 2 days ago\*

[The Friars](#)

are a secret society at LSU. The skull and crossbones is a symbol of their order. Also, it should be noted that "322" isn't just relevant to Skull and Bones, but to a whole slew of collegiate secret societies.

Not often I get to put on my fraternity historian cap twice in one week.

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EDIT: Probably too late for anyone to read, 21 hours after the fact, but what the hell:

As we now know, the portrait on the wall is [Jay Comeaux](#). According to [/u/Geaux12](#), Comeaux was a [DKE at LSU](#). LSU's DKE chapter has a secret alumni association, known as [The Friars](#)

. Their symbols include the skull and crossbones, like the ones seen in the room.

DKE has a reputation for being a public "feeder" fraternity to other secret societies, most notably the [Skull & Bones](#)

at Yale. The room number, "322", and the skull and crossbones insignia in the room are both used by the Skull & Bones as well. It wouldn't be surprising if one DKE alumni society used the same symbols as its more famous cousin. In fact, [unconfirmed sources](#)

claim that The Friars are actually a chapter of the Skull & Bones.

Interesting, but perhaps unrelated: [/u/BabyFuel](#) noted the [similarity](#) between the name of the hotel - ZaZa - and LSU's DKE chapter: Zeta Zeta.

So this *is* probably a private room of Jay Comeaux. More interesting than that (to me) is that he is likely an member of a secret society, which is either a branch of or related to the Skull & Bones at Yale. That explains the room number, the creepy decorations, the two-way mirror and false wall, everything. No other explanation so far makes more sense to me.

... I promise, I'm not one of those conspiracy crazies. Just a bored historian of the fraternity system who was interested in this. I didn't know where else to post.

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[\[-\]BabyFuel](#) 112 points 2 days ago

"Upon its founding its goal was to revive the Zeta Zeta..."

Coincidence that this place is called ZaZa?

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[\[-\]Benislav](#) 41 points 2 days ago

Holy shit.

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I'd subscribe to that!

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[\[-\]Zevemiel](#) 5 points 2 days ago\*

Jesus, I went to LSU for school and I've never heard of the Friars. I love a good mystery/secret too.

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[\[-\]lpeeongramaslawn](#) 4 points 1 day ago

Hmmm... I wonder if there is anything behind the names ZaZa and Zeta Zeta... Starts with last alphabet letter ends with first... et means "and" in Latin... I'd kind of want someone to show some intricate explanation to this. Any fellow conspiracy nuts have any leads?

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[\[-\]khockey981](#) 16 points 2 days ago

Geaux Tigers!

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[\[-\]cheops1853](#) 62 points 2 days ago\*

As I commented below, 322 isn't just relevant to Skull & Bones, but to a large number of collegiate secret societies. This doesn't nail it to one society, but it would narrow it down some if that's really the story behind the room.

Interestingly, the guy in the portrait, Jay Comeaux, went to LSU, which is home of [The Friars](#)

. They're a secret society whose symbol also includes the skull and crossbones.

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[\[-\]danny841](#) 10 points 2 days ago

It gets better. They attempted to restore a chapter of a fraternity called Zeta Zeta. The damn hotel is called ZaZa. It could be their fucked out sex room at a conveniently named hotel.

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[\[-\]saltyveruca](#) 497 points 2 days ago

Wild theory time: what if it's so small because there is a secret area behind the (2-way) mirror next to the bed?

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[\[-\]shorthanded](#) 244 points 2 days ago

Well, that might explain why there is brick facia there but nowhere else - it's fake, and there's a small room/pocket cut-out behind the mirror... oogity boogity

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[\[-\]Flomo420](#) 208 points 2 days ago

the way the mirror is mounted (it actually looks recessed into the wall) combined with the fake brick/smaller size gives this theory an awful lot of credibility...

especially as [/u/hoboballs](#) points out that it looks like a room where old yallie skull n bones would bring in hookers so their depreved friends can watch.

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[\[-\]uncoiledspaghetti](#) 41 points 2 days ago

Wow. I'm convinced.

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[\[-\]thornsandroses](#) 4 points 2 days ago

Am I the only one who thinks the cops should investigate this creepy room and find out just what is behind that wall?

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[\[-\]7thFloorDown](#) 6 points 2 days ago

While I would *love* to know the truth, you cannot legally investigate such a thing.

Source: my parents watched every episode, including reruns, of *Law & Order* while I was growing up. This is also how I know that there probably is something sinister at work.

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[\[-\]ANZACATTACK](#) 23 points 2 days ago\*

The chains anchoring the bed to the wall are clearly only there to give the appearance of ~~solidarity~~ solidity. They perform no function beyond making the wall seem as structurally solid as the bed is.

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[\[-\]oldaccount](#) 57 points 2 days ago

Does the Zaza have connecting rooms? The space is probably accessed via the connecting room door in the adjoining room. I wonder if the bathroom was full sized.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 73 points 2 days ago

Bathroom was not a normal size for zaza (usually large / larger than normal hotel rooms). But it wasn't diminutive or unusually small in any way.

No connecting room that I recall him mentioning. Doesn't mean it's not there, just that I don't remember it.

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[\[-\]Angelfcuk](#) 46 points 2 days ago

Its not uncommon at all for hotels to have a few small rooms they don't advertise to guests. I've worked for a few preferred hotels like The Zaza. I'm not surprised that they turned a small room like this and I believe your right on the 2 way mirror. People with too much money will pay big bucks for a freaky place to bang their pricey escorts. After years of working in high end hotels you come across quite a few creepers. Oh the things I've seen and odd requests guests have asked for. There's quite a few conversations and images I'd like to erase from my memory.

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[\[-\]aceshighsays](#) 24 points 2 days ago

Go on...

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[\[-\]Angelfcuk](#) 33 points 2 days ago

I once witnessed 2 old rich republican type business men in there late 50's escorted to their rooms by 3 trannys. Not a pretty image. I'm pretty sure they thought no one would notice. Or once their was a guest inquiring how many men could fit on a bed in one of the guestrooms.

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[\[-\]aceshighsays](#) 16 points 2 days ago

What kind of odd requests have guests asked for?

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[\[-\]Angelfcuk](#) 64 points 2 days ago

The craziest thing ever was a guest who came to me needing buckets of ice to put in the trunk of his new Cadillac. I sent out some of the bellman with them to help the man and they found a dead alligator in his trunk. I saw it from the lobby window. He was a hillbilly who hit the lottery. No Joke.

Another time I had a guest request I join him and his fiance in a threesome. After I turned it down he later came back and offered to pay me. Still denied.

Among other things cocaine, ecstasy, and weed. Escorts. One woman needed to ship her own bed to the hotel because she couldn't sleep on any other. She only stayed 3 days.

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[\[-\]aceshighsays](#) 26 points 2 days ago

Thanks for delivering

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[\[-\]OttStew](#) 8 points 1 day ago

Get to [/r/IAmA/](#) now mister

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[\[-\]Angelfcuk](#) 7 points 1 day ago

already there [http://www.reddit.com/r/IAmA/comments/18smp1/i\\_have\\_workedcooked\\_for\\_2\\_celebrity\\_chefs\\_and/](http://www.reddit.com/r/IAmA/comments/18smp1/i_have_workedcooked_for_2_celebrity_chefs_and/)

I realized after I posted that I have some good stories and information people may be interested in. And it's Ma'am :)

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[\[-\]initials\\_games](#) 41 points 2 days ago

Room 323 is where the real creepy hides.

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[\[-\]The OP](#) 21 points 2 days ago\*

wouldn't 323 be across the hall?

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[\[-\]uncoiledspaghetti](#) 57 points 2 days ago

324 it is!

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[\[-\]Gamion](#) 4 points 2 days ago

lol this guy is ready

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[\[-\]jt7724](#) 20 points 2 days ago

we could get a better handle on this theory if we had a floor plan of the hotel to see what the drawing claims is surrounding the room, if someone stays at the hotel on the third floor there should be a fire escape plan posted on or near the door to the room and a picture of that could shed some light on whether the next room over uses that space, whether it is allocated to this room, or whether it is a mechanical room, elevator shaft, etc.

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[\[-\]BobBarkersBalls](#) 41 points 2 days ago

It is awfully perfect between the 'bricks.' Wouldnt surprise me at all.

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[\[-\]BonjourMyFriends](#) 11 points 2 days ago

Yeah, the mirror is the creepiest thing about this room. My girlfriend supplies furniture to hotels. I realize Zaza has different types of rooms, but no hotel would go through the trouble of laying bricks to perfectly frame a custom-sized mirror when they could otherwise just buy a normal mirror from a supplier that mounts onto a normal wall - it's cheaper and easier, not to mention the "mirror-fitting-perfectly-into-the-bricks" option isn't exactly a noticeable or attractive design feature.

Why go through all the trouble of laying the bricks like you would around a window unless it's a two way mirror?

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[\[-\]DragonHunter](#) 45 points 2 days ago

This is called a "deed" room. It's used by *certain people* to get leverage over other *people* in government.

When, for example, a Republican senator decides to have gay sex with his intern, he's given this room to do the "deed." Being doped up on cocaine, and drunk, he doesn't notice that someone is behind the window taping the event.

Leverage gained.

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[\[-\]geekthinker](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Just look at the fire evacuation map. It should give an idea of whether there is space between the rooms on the other side.

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[\[-\]Twistentoo](#) 299 points 3 days ago

Pretty sure the guy is Jay Comeaux formerly of the Stanford Financial Group in Houston.

[http://www.bauer.uh.edu/Images/dls\\_thumbs/headshots/jay\\_comeaux.jpg](http://www.bauer.uh.edu/Images/dls_thumbs/headshots/jay_comeaux.jpg)

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[\[-\]pulp\\_hero](#) 192 points 3 days ago

[Apparently he hosted a party there while it was still under construction in 2006](#)

. That might be entirely unrelated, but I thought it was interesting.

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[\[-\]oldaccount](#) 112 points 2 days ago

Stanford Financial seems to host several events there. There is definitely a connection between the company and the hotel which leaves no doubt Jay Comeaux is the one in the picture.

Conspiracy theory: He uses the room as part of a blackmail scheme. Hookers lure his targets into the room for sex where they get photographed through the 2-way mirror.

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[\[-\]cpqq](#) 47 points 2 days ago\*

There was an entire [MSNBC American Greed Episode](#)

on him, Stanford and "Sir Allen" - I'm sure it was just a purchased apartment with company money... What's on the other 2/3's of that floor space purchased is what's creepy.

EDIT: Watching the video on Stanford again, this looks like a younger version of the guy on the wall commissioned by an artist: <http://i.imgur.com/vrJQ7Ry.png>

- On par for their notorious spending.

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[\[-\]BaronVonMunch](#) 8 points 2 days ago

Yep, huge ponzi scheme: [http://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stanford\\_Financial\\_Group](http://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stanford_Financial_Group)

Allen is serving his 110 year prison term, so his sex dungeon has been permanently relocated.

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for the 2006-2007 social season.

What is the social season? When does it start and end? Are they just hermits in the off-season?

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[\[-\]pulp\\_hero](#) 103 points 2 days ago

Don't you know that the rich hibernate in between social seasons?

Hmmm, wait. It's possible that I'm thinking about bears.

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[\[-\]bananamerchant](#) 54 points 2 days ago

I'm not rich, or a bear, for that matter, but I'm actually in social hibernation right now. Winter depression, man.

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[\[-\]lestermcfly](#) 31 points 2 days ago

I can imagine winter is hard for someone in your line of work.

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[\[-\]glitcher21](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Just after Christmas until late June. Or April until August.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Season\\_\(society\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Season_(society))

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[\[-\]you\\_gotta](#) 18 points 2 days ago

It might be, but it's a lovely coincidence.

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[\[-\]homesick\\_alien](#) 64 points 2 days ago

Definitely. Here he is wearing the same suite/tie combo...

<http://ww1.hdnux.com/photos/04/26/73/1142512/0/385x218.jpg>

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[\[-\]iwantahouse](#) Energy Corridor 70 points 3 days ago

looks like him... maybe its his gothed out sex dungeon? I can't figure why anyone else would want his picture in their room...Unless someone has a fetish for men who are being investigated by the SEC or something.

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[\[-\]ilovedonuts](#) 78 points 3 days ago

Unless someone has a fetish for men who are being investigated by the SEC or something.

busted. guilty as charged

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[\[-\]cpqq](#) 16 points 2 days ago\*

Yup, there was an [American Greed : Scams and Scoundrels](#)

episode on the Stanford Financial Group and "Sir Allen" - I'm sure that was purchased with company money.

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[\[-\]Klitch26](#) Montrose 10 points 2 days ago

I would definitely say you're right. If you look at the wonky shape of the eyebrows, the subtle crease between the eyebrows, and the way the ears connect to the neck, you can see really specific similarities.

Good job!

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[\[-\]NoPickles](#) 129 points 2 days ago

<http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>

Some lady said it was the "hard times room"

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[\[-\]chipjet](#) 37 points 2 days ago

Good find! Interesting that they kicked her out, too.

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[\[-\]fieldsofillusion](#) 4 points 1 day ago

What's even more interesting is that they insisted on moving her even after stating that she didn't mind the room.

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[\[-\]cokeakoala](#) 15 points 2 days ago\*

The odd paintings, the girl and the blue eyed man, appear to be original artwork as well. Seeing as a search on google images using shots of these turns up nothing.

If you google image compare her photo. there is exactly one photobucket account with the stock image in the picture:

[http://media.beta.photobucket.com/user/FuckitBucket06/media/skullart.jpg.html?filters\[term\]=skullart&filters\[primary\]=images&filters\[secondary\]=videos&sort=1&o=0](http://media.beta.photobucket.com/user/FuckitBucket06/media/skullart.jpg.html?filters[term]=skullart&filters[primary]=images&filters[secondary]=videos&sort=1&o=0)

edit: here's another link

<http://www.thisnext.com/item/A2790D4E/3ECEA0AF/Skull-Art>

what's curious is how hard it is to find on google images

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[\[-\]theblueberryspirit](#) 10 points 2 days ago

That's some good detective work. Same mistake, took place a year ago.

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[\[-\]ZodiarkSavior](#) 212 points 2 days ago

Why do I have a feeling that mirror is two-way?

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[\[-\]StinkStar](#) 145 points 2 days ago

Perhaps because the bricks don't go behind it? Look at the edges: the top and bottom edges line up perfectly with the mortar and, more telling, the side edges seem set into the wall - the bricks end at the mirror.

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[\[-\]mastigia](#) 108 points 2 days ago

While it would be fair to point out that if you were building a faux brick finish around an existing mirror it would turn out like this, I think you are probably on to something. This also explains why the room is so small, the other half of the room is behind that mirror/wall in the spank suite.

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[\[-\]greqrg](#) 16 points 2 days ago

I think the picture of the mustache'd white guy has cut-out eyes.

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[\[-\]errantphotons](#) 11 points 2 days ago

jinkies

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[\[-\]billpullmanrocks](#) 148 points 2 days ago

A pack of Marlboros above the doorframe wtf 0.0

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 86 points 2 days ago

wow never noticed that. my coworker doesn't smoke so they aren't his.

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[\[-\]billpullmanrocks](#) 92 points 2 days ago

The pack looks opened. Someone was using that room recently before or possibly even during your visit.

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[\[-\]THE DARK LORD SATAN](#) 129 points 2 days ago

They were probably in the secret room behind the mirror the entire time...

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[\[-\]tripostrophe](#) 10 points 2 days ago

[this guy](#)

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[\[-\]nobody from nowhere](#) 5 points 2 days ago

The call came from inside the room!

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[\[-\]iwantahouse](#) Energy Corridor 16 points 2 days ago

And so the mystery deepens...

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[\[-\]Montebaron](#) 30 points 2 days ago

Maybe drugs or maybe they keep a key in there to get into the other side of the wall somehow.

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[\[-\]chipjet](#) 14 points 2 days ago

Good eye

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[\[-\]billpullmanrocks](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Thanks, I'm impressed with myself seeing an Eye Spy before anyone else on reddit!

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 222 points 3 days ago\*

My old roommate used to work there, ill ask him tomorrow morning. [REST OF THE CONVO](#)

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[\[-\]loffdachain](#) 208 points 2 days ago

He just killed you didn't he?

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 116 points 2 days ago

LoL nope still here.

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[\[-\]Wickedtwin1999](#) 16 points 2 days ago

That's what they want you to think...

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Wait for it....

<http://i.imgur.com/wq03wjs.jpg>

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[\[-\]ieatsushi](#) 5 points 2 days ago

What did he say?

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[\[-\]Pakelekia\\_08](#) 39 points 2 days ago

Well??

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 48 points 3 days ago

thanks. see [pics](#)

added. very strange room.

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[\[-\]theblueberryspirit](#) 42 points 2 days ago

Houston Press just blogged about it![http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel\\_za\\_za\\_secret\\_room\\_creepy.php](http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel_za_za_secret_room_creepy.php)

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[\[-\]myth1n](#)Galleria 111 points 2 days ago

Possibly the most interesting post in </r/houston> in a while. Sex Dungeon, rich dude, skull and crossbones, how far does the rabbit hole go?

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[\[-\]shakelikecompass](#) 60 points 2 days ago\*

Houston is: Long, empty and mundane spaces broken up by brief glimpses of secret parallel worlds - worlds which clearly owe whatever longevity they have to the obscurity they grew out of. And which never seem to be fully comprehensible to me who stumbles on them every once in a while, because the light that is cast on them which allows me to see them is something so foreign to the history of their secret (and so simultaneously their life) that they cease to exist as discrete places at all under the illumination of observation, outside of their darkness.

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[\[-\]brichard94](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Damn Houston, you scary

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[\[-\]swhitt](#) East Downtown [\[M\]](#) 134 points 2 days ago

FYI about the high traffic/number of votes: [we've been bestof'd](#).

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[\[-\]ThaBomb](#) 76 points 2 days ago

Yeah, I got here from the frontpage. This is such a strange thread.

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[\[-\]bee randin](#) 2 points 2 days ago

I think you meant "awesome thread". Also, happy cakeday.

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[\[-\]maximus321](#) 177 points 2 days ago

"Update: We just heard from Coots, who told us that this is in fact one of the hotel's theme rooms -- it's called Hard Times, and it's a play on a jail experience. While it's a "compact" room, it has one of the hotel's largest balconies, which overlooks the pool area, she said. (The other side of the hotel features another compact theme room, called Ship's Cabin, which resembles a yacht and also overlooks the pool). She says neither room is secret or kept from being rented.

Coots also told us that, at one point, the company's president lived in the Hard Times room for two months, five days a week. We asked about the portrait of the distinguished, mustachioed gentleman, and she said she'd look into it. (She's also checking into the claims made by the guy who posted the pics in the first place)."

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[\[-\]theblueberryspirit](#) 49 points 2 days ago\*

They kicked that woman in NoPickles' post out of there

too: [http://www.reddit.com/r/houston/comments/18pt71/zaza\\_insiders\\_question\\_whats\\_up\\_with\\_room\\_322/c8hgt91](http://www.reddit.com/r/houston/comments/18pt71/zaza_insiders_question_whats_up_with_room_322/c8hgt91)

It's also interesting to note that although it's one of their concept suites, it does not appear on the website nor does the yacht room.

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[\[-\]chipjet](#) 83 points 2 days ago

Exactly! That makes this even more weird. If it was a 'themed' room, then they would have it advertised on the site and you'd think a google search would yield something more than things posted in the past few hours.

Nobody except for the other lady that also got kicked out has reported staying in this room.

Plus, the picture of the guy on the wall still would make no sense in the 'themed' room concept.

They're trying to sweep this under the rug. There's definitely more to this story.

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[\[-\]solonorcas](#) 27 points 2 days ago

Yes, and I don't think they could put a picture of a local businessman in the "jail" theme room after he had a run in with the SEC. That would seem to be looking for a civil action.

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[\[-\]billpullmanrocks](#) 6 points 2 days ago

It also doesn't explain the pack of smokes above the door frame 0.0

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 41 points 2 days ago

just saw this - will update parent post to include.

Now I want to stay in the yacht room.

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[\[-\]lenswipe](#) 34 points 2 days ago

NOTHIN! THERE AINT NOTHIN IN ROOM 322, BUT YOU AIN'T GOT NO BUSINESS GOIN' IN THERE ANYWAYS SO. STAY. OUT!

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[\[-\]kylejack](#) 104 points 2 days ago

According to the Houston Press piece, the owner of the company used to stay there. The owner is Benji Homsey, and he likes skull things: <http://www.thefancy.com/bhomsey>

Doomed Crystal Skull Glass | | Skull Black Light Bulb | | Skull Doorknob

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[\[-\]logical\\_failacy](#) 15 points 2 days ago

How is this not higher? In my opinion it's the most plausible explanation. Still doesn't explain the picture of Jay Comeaux, but one could toss that single deviation up to an inside joke between the two of them.

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[\[-\]thisremindsmeofbacon](#) 3 points 2 days ago

or the strange way the mirror is installed.

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[\[-\]macchina](#) 5 points 2 days ago

It checks out. The guy like skulls. The spokesperson said it was his personal room for a time. The only thing it doesn't explain is the Stanford Financial guy.

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[\[-\]ShadOwman9](#) 4 points 2 days ago

Picture 3 of 14, I was trying to find an artist named Bonny H but could be possibly Benji H. We need more pictures!

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[\[-\]ceejay234](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Looks like it says Benny H, could be nickname.

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[\[-\]VsAcesoVer](#) 25 points 1 day ago

Hey OP, could you check your camera to see what time you took the second photo (of the clock)? I want to know if the clock is set 5 minutes ahead - a sign of Skull and Bones.

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[\[-\]grammer\\_polize](#) 9 points 22 hours ago

TIL i'm part of skull & bones..

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[\[-\]biffpow](#) 48 points 2 days ago

Ok, let's approach this reasonably, point by point:

--It's not a standard "theme room". The framed photo of the older man negates this option. That item makes no sense within the scope of what's being claimed as the theme. The huge balcony is antithetical within the scope of the theme as well. And the paintings, while creepy, don't make sense within the scope of the theme either. Even prison cells in movies don't look like that.

--It appears to be a room created for some very specific audience or purpose. The framed photo suggests this because of its odd specificity. The related signed paintings would also suggest this. The lack of a real unifying, commercially recognizable theme also suggests this. It's not a "normal" room, and it's not a normal theme room either. It seems most likely to be for a specific staff member or regular guest or specific type of guest.

--The brick wall is architecturally inconsistent. This much is obvious. This may mean the mirror is 2-way, and (whether that's the case or not) it may mean there's a "secret room" or adjoining room purposefully adjacent to the one we see. That's only speculation--however suggestive it may be. The brick wall could also simply have been added as a result of the potential audience-related reasons for why this room exists (ie: to have a sturdier-looking wall to attach the chain to--in other words, the wall, like the chain, is just a prop).

--The name the hotel has given for the room's theme, "Hard Times," has obvious sexual innuendo. This may have been unintentional, or it may be a code to the specific guests who use it. Again, this is speculation, but it is what the room is actually called in the hotel's files, according to several sources at this point.

--The hotel is hiding something. Hotels make their money by renting rooms. Period. Their response, in two cases of some regular guest having been put in this room, was to immediately transfer them to another room. They also don't advertise this room among their other themed rooms. The most logical conclusion is that this is not a room they want to rent to the public. That would strongly suggest that there's something about this room that makes it different from all their other rentable rooms. And too much effort was made in decorating/creating the room for it to be kept this way without a purpose. This is not a storage room, it's a clean, rentable room in a hotel that is not being offered or advertised for rent in the manner that all their other rooms are. This hotel is hiding something.

--There are two somewhat easy ways to solve this mystery: 1) rent the room, explore it, and report back. 2) Obtain reliable information from a source at the hotel (not their PR person) (obviously). There are other ways to solve this mystery as well (none of which I'm advocating, of course): 1) Rent another room at the hotel and access 322 during your stay. 2) Obtain the rental records for 322 from the hotel. 3) Obtain the blueprints on file for that floor of the hotel (though these documents are often not accurate). 4) Entice a hotel staff member to allow you access to 322 and any adjoining rooms necessary to solve the mystery.

Finally, and this is a deduction, not a logical conclusion: taking all of the elements in the room into account, the thing this room looks most like is a holding room, where a kidnapper or killer would place their victim--to observe them and psychologically confuse them. In no way am I suggesting that's what it's actually used for. Only that, if there is any sort of fantasy theme I could attach to this room based on appearance alone, it would be that. And there are certainly people who would enjoy that kind of fantasy role play. And it would be obvious why the hotel would behave about the room as it has if that were the actual theme. The framed photo still has only a tenuous place within that theme (as an element of confusion, possibly suggestive of domination to the captive) (due to its height on the wall, its expression of authority, etc), so I'm not concluding that's what's happening here, only offering my best deduction as to a possible theme any of us could label.

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[\[-\]](#)[Colonelrascals](#) West U 26 points 2 days ago

I live two minutes away I can drive up there right now if'd y'all need someone to investigate

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[\[-\]](#)[Colonelrascals](#) West U 10 points 1 day ago

I am alive and well. Today I called Amex consiarge to ask if they would call Zaza for a tour of yacht room for my friends "bachelor party". I got a call from Zaza saying the room wasn't available to see at that time. Surprise surprise

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[\[-\]](#)[Colonelrascals](#) West U 7 points 2 days ago

OK, I saw this late. I'll go tomorrow and see if they will let me into both rooms to look around. Will get back with pics of the other room hopefully.

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[\[-\]](#)[Krzysz](#) 63 points 2 days ago

If the room is about 1/3 the normal size and there's a random brick wall, I think another good question to ask is what's on the other side....?

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[\[-\]](#)[Dhuske](#) 25 points 2 days ago

Either the other side can be reached from something like room 321/323 or there's a secret entrance from 322.

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[\[-\]airborneANDrowdy](#) [Galleria](#) 139 points 2 days ago

Holy cow, never thought I would see this room. Its not as creepy as I was picturing it to be. I has a friend who use to work there a few years ago, lets call her Amy, She told me about this room while drunk one night. When I kept asking about it she kept telling me "you really do don't want to know" DAMNIT REDDIT! Now I HAVE to know...

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- [\[-\]saltyveruca](#) 118 points 2 days ago

Let's get Amy drunk again!

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[\[-\]airborneANDrowdy](#) [Galleria](#) 71 points 2 days ago

Trust me I have repeatedly tried, shes not budging. I'm gonna call here tonight maybe she'll do a Houston AMA

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[\[-\]eltonjock](#) 14 points 2 days ago

Come on. OP has delivered so much in this thread. Don't be a combo breaker.

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[\[-\]airborneANDrowdy](#) [Galleria](#) 13 points 2 days ago

I'm try. No promises. This is a pretty cool post though. Wish more r/Htown stuff was like this.

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[\[-\]ASchway](#) 4 points 2 days ago

I hope you've spoken with her recently and doesn't think that this is your attempt at trying to get. it. on.

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[\[-\]airborneANDrowdy](#) [Galleria](#) 9 points 2 days ago

We have already bumped uglies, if anything she may think its an attempt to let her know she need to get herself 'checked out'

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[\[-\]RetardedDragon](#) 5 points 2 days ago

If it was something innocent she would've told you, i'm almost totally positive it's some fucked up room where rich old white men can rape hookers or guest or some shit, and get away with it, like they always do.

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[\[-\]GiganticPanda](#) 52 points 2 days ago

I fucking *need* to know what is up with this room. It's going to drive me insane.

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- [\[-\]likeabandofgypsies](#) 32 points 2 days ago

Can anyone confirm that Jay Comeaux is in Skull & Bones? I couldn't find anything, or anything about him attending yale?

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- [\[-\]pulp\\_hero](#) 19 points 2 days ago

[His bio](#)

says that he went to LSU.

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[\[-\]likeabandofgypsies](#) 19 points 2 days ago

Who in Skull and Bones society would want to have a picture of Jay Comeaux staring at them while they have sex with prostitutes in Houston? Someone that visits Houston often enough, holds Comeaux on a high pedestal, went to Yale, and had the money to get the ZaZa to give him his own room. So possibly involved with Zaza AND Yale and Skull and Bones (Skull and Bones has requirements, but I don't know what it is besides being a rich asshole).

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[\[-\]kylejack](#) 12 points 2 days ago

Does this room belong to...ALLEN STANFORD?

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[\[-\]dromoe](#) 4 points 2 days ago

LSU has a secret society called "The Friars" that bears a skull and bones for their symbol. Most likely an offshoot of the Yale bonesman. He could be a member of that.

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[\[-\]cdlrosa](#) Inner Loop 53 points 3 days ago

It looks like it might be someone's personal suite.

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[\[-\]facecube](#) 14 points 3 days ago\*

Yeah, that room is probably supposed to belong to one person. Some people have weird taste in decorations.

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[\[-\]GivePhysics](#) 17 points 2 days ago

When you see images like this, it's hard not to assume that this room is set aside for members of the Skull and Bones.

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[\[-\]seenitcoming](#) Downtown 39 points 3 days ago

Well this is interesting, apparently Jay Comeaux was involved in some scandal at Stanford Financial

<http://www.chron.com/business/article/Scandal-plagued-Stanford-rarely-visited-Houston-1538944.php>

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[\[-\]loluguy](#)s 4 points 2 days ago\*

Thus, the secret society of the Skull & Bones banished him; trapping his soul in a self-portrait framed above the wall of room 322... left to eternally gaze upon the posteriors of random hookers.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 101 points 3 days ago

Well I didn't get much info but he said that didn't surprise him. And that would be one of a few rooms like that.

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[\[-\]Rocketstergeon](#) 83 points 2 days ago

Your friend said it didn't surprise him and that there are others and you left it at that? That's nearly as odd as that room, that you didn't ask "why" to either of his responses.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 113 points 2 days ago

Well out of the blue I text him about the room on top of him not working there for 2 years. Sorry next time I'll take him to dinner and bring a note pad.

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[\[-\]IHateShaneBattier](#) 74 points 2 days ago

No, I'm still gonna say it's weird that you didn't ask for more info.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 44 points 2 days ago

He was director of the audio visual dept so his I cant blame him for not knowing about every room. Ill take him drinking this weekend and maybe we can call some of his co-workers who know more.

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[\[-\]Rocketstergeon](#) 13 points 2 days ago

I wouldn't blame your friend in the slightest. I thought it was weird you didn't ask why he wasn't surprised. Surprise at this odd room is rampant in this thread, or at least curiosity is. Texting/time constraints goes a ways toward explaining it though. But my unresolved curiosity kinda hates you right now.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 8 points 2 days ago

I sent him the link. No response yet.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 39 points 2 days ago

[His response](#)

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[\[-\]THE DARK LORD SATAN](#) 38 points 2 days ago

...they got to him.

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[\[-\]AntDogFan](#) 13 points 2 days ago

He's part of it! The Audio visual dept? He was filming whatever weird crap they got up to!

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[\[-\]Rocketstergeon](#) 10 points 2 days ago

You da man. I still have unresolved curiosity but that's not your fault. Thanks for the delivery.

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[\[-\]wegotpancakes](#) 11 points 2 days ago

I feel like this is possibly bullshit as you might expect them to rent out the jail cell room more publicly.

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[\[-\]no\\_egrets](#) 10 points 2 days ago

It's clearly bullshit. Looks nothing like a jail. Clean plastered and painted walls, various paintings, shaded lamps, curtains, a large mirror?

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[\[-\]Autumnsprings](#) 7 points 2 days ago

then why would it not be rented out? he makes it sound like it's a perk of that brand, right? so why would they keep it secret and not rent it?

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[\[-\]Gamion](#) 5 points 2 days ago

If it's just 'the jail cell room' then how come it can't be rented like all the other themed rooms?

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[\[-\]svenskt](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Sounds like something they would say to the employees.

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[\[-\]ThatGuyYouKindaKnow](#) 24 points 2 days ago

Show him this reddit thread too.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 21 points 2 days ago

yeah cause this thread has exploded

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[\[-\]Trala la la](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Hooker rooms! It's a themed hotel now we know where he hemmed sex rooms are

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[\[-\]chipjet](#) 24 points 2 days ago

I can just see the guy that started the ZaZa saying, "I'm going to start my own hotel! With blackjack rooms AND hooker rooms!"

Then he fucking did. Now we just need to see the blackjack room.

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[\[-\]im so high right now](#) Greenway Plaza 25 points 3 days ago

Front desk wouldn't give any more info than what they said? Try calling them and maybe you'll get someone else on the phone who wouldn't mind spilling the beans?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 27 points 2 days ago

I'll ask when I'm in Houston next week. wasn't planning on staying at ZaZa but may now just to get to the bottom of this.

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[\[-\]Koldfuzion](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Just tell you need to stay in that room "for science."

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[\[-\]JohnnyZ88](#) 101 points 2 days ago

My guess is it's a manager's room. I used to inspect hotels, and often one or more of the managers lived onsite, one of the rooms in the hotel was converted into an apartment for them (one of the low rent, smaller rooms) and they could furnish and decorate however they wanted.

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[\[-\]pulp hero](#) 50 points 2 days ago

But then wouldn't they have some stuff in there? Like a change of clothes, toothbrush, etc.

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[\[-\]JohnnyZ88](#) 48 points 2 days ago

Probably. Unless the Manager had changed jobs and the room hadn't been redone by the new one. There are some things it wouldn't explain, that might be better explained as "permanently reserved but mostly uninhabited room for someone with money who wanted a place for sexytimes" room.

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[\[-\]Rock it Scientist](#) 33 points 2 days ago

Stop ruining the creepiness of the story...

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[\[-\]JohnnyZ88](#) 14 points 2 days ago

How is staying in a hotel with a SM fetishist Manager not more creepy? Shit's going all Psycho up in there. I bet the room was smaller cause there was a secret passage built into the wall.

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[\[-\]scienceworksbitches](#) 32 points 2 days ago

but why would the front desk have access to the room key if it was the managers private room? wouldnt the maids use a masterkey?

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[\[-\]Masema](#) 25 points 2 days ago\*

With card keys, that's not necessarily a problem. You could imagine someone familiar enough with the system to override a restriction, but not familiar with that particular room.

For example, someone from a different branch: "Hey, this room shows vacant! Why won't it let me rent it? Oh well, override." Maybe they are used to having a different type of lockout for "special" rooms.

Or, if someone was just new. Maybe the key maker is integrated with the reservation system, but can still be used manually. A flustered clerk could conceivably make a key to help get the customer settled, and leave the paperwork for a manager to help with later.

(Admittedly, these are rather contrived explanations, but the point is it's possible.)

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[\[-\]scienceworksbitches](#) 8 points 2 days ago

but why would the room be listed in the reservation list in the first place? :P

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[\[-\]Masema](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Well I mean, the room exists, right? You can't just lie to the computer and say it doesn't.

(In other words: I don't know! What do you think this is, science?)

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[\[-\]MDTimD](#) 45 points 2 days ago

Alright, the story behind this HAS to be exposed. Come on Reddit, it's time to upvote this thing to viral.

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[\[-\]pulp\\_hero](#) 22 points 2 days ago

[It's getting there...](#)

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[\[-\]steezenskis](#) 19 points 2 days ago

oh man. someone at Zaza is getting fired

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[\[-\]nos3bl33d](#) 11 points 3 days ago

Whoa shit. Nice find

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[\[-\]daedsiluap](#) 29 points 3 days ago

I had a friend tell me about it. I'll see if he has more info.

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[\[-\]down--up](#) 21 points 2 days ago

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[\[-\]daedsiluap](#) 8 points 2 days ago

And I will reply here. The friend who I thought had told me of rooms with stripper poles was actually the friend who attended a gala there and ended up streaking through the place with his girlfriend. Nothing of interest to this story.

But my other deviant friend confirmed it was a favorite among sado-masochists in the corporate world. This friend is up on lots of those clubs around the US, and as soon I mentioned Zaza, friend started laughing. Friend tries to keep that stuff pretty hush-hush, so I don't know if I'll get stories of debauchery and whatnot.

Still - it's a sex cauldron here, people.

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[\[-\]P1nkheart](#) 8 points 3 days ago

Tell me more

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[\[-\]daedsiluap](#) 12 points 3 days ago

I'll get to questioning.

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[\[-\]Powerbottom-4-Jesus](#) 20 points 2 days ago\*

I work in a hotel and to me it seems like the clerk that checked your buddy in was new or made an oversight, opting to give you a room that was free on a sold out night. When he went to inform the desk, someone either realized the mistake and rushed to get you moved so he wouldn't get in shit. A simple mistake on the housekeeping report or through the computer system could have made the room "rentable" from the clerk's point of view. I've done that before and sent people to occupied rooms by mistake.

It looks like a storage closet renovated into a room for an on-site manager or the owner for when he visits decorated to be somewhat like home. I can't see any hotel really creating a sex dungeon to rent out unless it was a bathhouse or something at least advertised. There's tons of rooms in the hotel I work at that are down for maintenance that look like this sans decorations and stuff. Seems to be the most plausible explanation in my opinion.

EDIT: it could also be a makeshift Freemason temple thing. A lot of hotels rent out conference rooms to the local chapters. I worked in a hotel that had a room dedicated to being for the group and NOBODY could go in to even look or clean without being one. It was also out of place looking - dark, black walls and skulls everywhere.

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[\[-\]blacksunseven](#) 19 points 3 days ago

I've been trying to identify the artists, find other paintings by them, etc - no luck.

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 15 points 2 days ago

Houston Press picked this up...[http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel\\_za\\_za\\_secret\\_room\\_creepy.php](http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel_za_za_secret_room_creepy.php)

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[\[-\]Eladiun](#) 15 points 2 days ago

Reply from Zaza...

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[\[-\]kmays10](#) 8 points 2 days ago

creepy...but i'm intrigued

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[\[-\]navmec](#) 9 points 1 day ago

Well two things are for sure, in my mind: This room is creepy as fuck, and if I ever need to solve a mystery involving virtually anything or anyone in the world, I will post it on Reddit.

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[\[-\]boreworms](#) 9 points 23 hours ago

If a hotel rented out a room, even accidentally, that contained a two-way mirror, wouldn't that be a criminal offense? Seems to me the authorities need to get involved. OP should report his suspicion. We have the photos in case anything is changed.

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[\[-\]blackamex](#) 31 points 3 days ago

sounds like a sex dominatrix room

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[\[-\]firex726](#) Galleria 28 points 3 days ago

Seems a bit too small for all but the most basic stuff.

Things like whips, and rope work will often require a good bit of space.

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[\[-\]darkshadowbella](#) 21 points 3 days ago

Now I know where to get a room for next year for valentine day

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[\[-\]Oznog99](#) 13 points 2 days ago\*

That room hasn't even existed since 1:20:44 p.m. on May 4, 1961!

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[\[-\]bigmonkeyjunk](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Some hotels will provide special rooms to guests who visit there frequently enough... kind of a personalized suite for someone who stays every week or so. Which is why the key is at the front desk (guest still has to pay) but not supposed to be rented.

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[\[-\]11jplang11](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Didn't George H.W. Bush used to live in a Houston hotel room?

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[\[-\]psychospiff](#) 7 points 1 day ago

i don't know if anyone else picked up on this but the creepy artwork of the "twins"(?) is very phallic. especially the one on the right, with the hand around her "neck".

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[\[-\]Gorshiea](#) 7 points 23 hours ago

Some joker just posted a [review](#)

of ZaZa claiming to own room 322.

I own room 322 in this hotel but the moronic admin guys rented out my private masonic sacrificial chamber to pale face who speaks with forked tongue. Goddess Durga is not pleased and may Kali turn their tongues to stone.

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[\[-\]Mr\\_Paranoid](#) 8 points 21 hours ago

Can we just have a redditor go to the room and break the mirror/window?

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[\[-\]donkuss](#) 7 points 18 hours ago

OP You fucking rule.

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[\[-\]imonlyhereforthecake](#) 12 points 1 day ago

WHOA! So I've been keeping up with this thread over the last 2 days and I kid you not, my boss just walked into my office to tell me that I need to take a trip to Houston next Monday-Wednesday, he said not to bother booking a room because he'd already taken care of it.... at ZaZa!!!! I've never been and now I'm thoroughly creeped out!

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[\[-\]EndDrugAndOtherWars](#) 10 points 23 hours ago

The least you could do for us is creepily loitering outside room 322 not sure what you're doing out there.

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[\[-\]imonlyhereforthecake](#) 5 points 23 hours ago

I will definitely do some investigating while I'm there and keep everyone posted!

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[\[-\]newpolitics](#) 9 points 1 day ago\*

You know what to do. Reddit is now counting on you to get to the bottom of this mystery...

edit: see if there's a room adjacent to the mirror side, go in there instead

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[\[-\]ObscurityPrince](#) 9 points 1 day ago

Your boss is clearly a redditor as well, he's sending you there to scout it out.

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[\[-\]PONYBOIFLOYD](#) 6 points 2 days ago

yah...check the mirror and check the air vent for a recording device

yagunnadie.jpeg

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[\[-\]ALittleTippy](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Here's the president of the hotel, Benji Homesby, who supposedly lived in the dungeon for 2 months. He's the one on the right and that's his business partner on the left. Maybe they have ~~freaky threesomes~~ business meetings with Jay Comeaux in there.

[http://www.papercitymag.com/Photo/event/4161/72\\_Charlie%20Givens,%20Benji%20Homsey%20%282%29.jpg?w=0&h=600](http://www.papercitymag.com/Photo/event/4161/72_Charlie%20Givens,%20Benji%20Homsey%20%282%29.jpg?w=0&h=600)

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[\[-\]D-B-L-0-0-7](#) 6 points 2 days ago

I wonder how many hookers have died in that room?

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[\[-\]firsttime](#) [longtime](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Anyone else wondering if this isn't an Excellent marketing campaign by the hotel?? Worked pretty well I would say!

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 7 points 2 days ago

I'm not. no affiliation with the hotel other than an occasional guest. you can check my post history - i've been on reddit a while and not a shill

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[\[-\]Herb4372](#) 7 points 1 day ago

Couple extra things to consider...

- 1) In the photo posted of jay, he's not only wearing the same tie, shirt combo, also the same lapel pin. Can anyone make that out?
- 2) zazas theme rooms are pretty elaborately decorated... I think if they were going for dungeon they could have done much better...
- 3) I think it's a very odd room for sure, but maybe an owners suite is the best explanation.

4) the original poster/guest... Apparently didn't change rooms right away, some of the pitchers show a bed slept in, toiletries unpacked, and commuter set up on the bed... And the clock on the wall is approx 1:30??

5) portrait of the guy with blue eyes is signed Benny H... Benji Homsey isn't impossible.. Owners original artwork? Lending evidence to just a buzzard owners suite?

5 none of this explains the weird mirror or other incongruent info...

6 I may well be wrong but I am thinking its an owners suite with his own weird shit in it.. Maybe he lost a bet to Jay and has to keep a picture on his wall..

1. At this point, with this many threads... I'd think someone would have come out and said "yeah, I stayed in that room once, but there's been no mention of that."

8 another possibility... Zaza was behind the original thread and pictures just o create a buzz.

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[\[-\]breeyan](#) 6 points 1 day ago

The hotel claims it is a jail experience, then why put up a TV and lamps and a cozy bed and a picture of a super rich white guy? Sounds like the hotel wants this to be a secret as much as the people using the room

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[\[-\]codevii](#) 6 points 1 day ago

<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Party-Watch-1755711.php>

Not sure if it has already been posted (I'm sure it has, now that I think about it) but here's a link to a Houston Chronicle article about the guy in the pic (Jay Comeaux) and a party at this hotel...

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[\[-\]miscellaneous404](#) 7 points 16 hours ago

That seems to be an odd spot to put your smokes. <http://i.imgur.com/WWOnF20.jpg>

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[\[-\]BobosaurusKaty](#) 347 points 3 days ago

Pics or no proof

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 1315 points 3 days ago

posted in main comment but link is [here](#)

if you want to see

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[\[-\]Melivora](#) 510 points 2 days ago

It's all well and good if one of the owners has a fun sex dungeon and likes odd oil paintings and skulls, but why the random genial looking guy with the moustache? It's just so... *odd* juxtaposed with the rest of the room.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 375 points 2 days ago

that's what got us too. had that not been there we probably would have shrugged and resumed drinking. But when he mentioned the old guy in the portrait we all had to see it.

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[\[-\]ravenpride](#) 304 points 2 days ago

This seems to confirm the idea that this room is designated for a specific person (perhaps a manager or owner). They decorated it with their own "style", it's not rented out to customers (because he or she sleeps there), and the room even features a picture of a family member of theirs.

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[\[-\]kujustin](#) 198 points 2 days ago

Seems like the best guess by far is that an owner or manager lives here and has slightly odd taste. I've been to many hotels where the owner or manager keeps a personal room, and they're always decorated a lot differently than normal rooms. (as you'd expect).

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 2158 points 2 days ago\*

This is not the best guess. What person that you know keeps a creepy picture of a guy over their television. This is obviously a secret room either personal or for a small group of people for sexual liasons/ S&M prostitution or worse. The mirror and small space of the room also indicates there is a good chance that the mirror is two way and that people could pay to come watch the sexual/S&M events occuring. The photo of a Stanford Banking Executive, (Jay Comeaux), on the wall further indicates that this is a high society sex room. The fact that the clerk said, "This room isn't supposed to be rented out" indicates that there was a big mistake and they didn't want anyone to find out about the room. The bricks on the wall line up exactly with the placement of the mirror suggesting that they do not continue behind it but that this is a two way mirror.

Jay Comeaux serves as Executive Director of Stanford Group Company and is a board member of Stanford Trust Company. Stanford Group Company is a full-service financial planning and investment management firm serving private investors, corporations, governments and institutions worldwide.

<http://www.bauer.uh.edu/dls/speakers/comeaux.htm>

<http://i.imgur.com/nl6KIXz.jpg>

<http://i.imgur.com/ZiKH0ld.jpg>

EDIT: This could go even deeper. Stanford Group Company was recently involved in massive fraud with several executives being sentenced to 20 years in prison just this week.

<http://www.loansafe.org/former-executives-of-stanford-financial-group-to-serve-20-years-for-massive-fraud-scheme>

EDIT 2: On closer inspection the mirror is actually *set into the bricks* suggesting there is a very, very good chance this is a two way mirror.

<http://i.imgur.com/x3TnvUk.jpg>

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[\[-\]PageFault](#) 752 points 2 days ago

From the OP's post

Room was about 1/3 the normal size

Wow, you might be right. The room might actually be normal size, but the rest of it hidden behind the mirror.

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[\[-\]ahhbears](#) 156 points 2 days ago

I think you're absolutely right, look at the crown molding on the 8th picture. There's no attempt to make it blend with the brick at all - I'm betting they just threw up drywall over the rest of the room. So fucking creepy.

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[\[-\]calumk](#) 39 points 1 day ago

Hi-Jacking this post (sorry)

Its called the 'Hard Times' room

Others have stayed their before: <http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>

A statement has been released:[http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel\\_za\\_za\\_secret\\_room\\_creepy.php?page=2](http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel_za_za_secret_room_creepy.php?page=2)

Its one of several 'themed' rooms...

Not sure what to make of the mirror tho

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[\[-\]nate1212](#) 201 points 2 days ago

jesus... So what's going on in the other side when they accidentally rent out the room?

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[\[-\]pizzlewizzle](#) 944 points 2 days ago

came on reddit, read about uncovering of banker sex dungeon with two way mirror. good day.

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[\[-\]yeaup](#) 178 points 2 days ago

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[\[-\]r81984](#) 52 points 1 day ago

Biggie Smalls, Biggie Smalls, Biggie Smalls

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[\[-\]catheterhero](#) 45 points 1 day ago

I could be wrong, but I herrrd once if you think a mirror is a two way mirror them turn out the lights and flash a flashlight through it. You should be able to see through it.

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[\[-\]food\\_monster](#) 25 points 2 days ago

They know he's been taking pictures. They were taking pictures too.

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[\[-\]greatgrandsonofsam](#) 7 points 2 days ago

[It looks like a people aquarium!](#)

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[\[-\]hoozawuzzafuzz](#) 28 points 1 day ago

Someone needs to go to City Hall and request to see the blueprints of this place.

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[\[-\]przyjacie!](#) 13 points 1 day ago

To the Mystery Machine, Scooby!

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[\[-\]Snefsky](#) 9 points 1 day ago

If it is in fact a regular room cut into (roughly halves) with the bedroom on one side and a viewing room on the other, it would be VERY easy to keep that a secret. Wouldn't require alterations to the structure. All you would need is to build the divide.

On the off chance this is in the blueprints, it wouldn't go into detail about presence or absence of a two-way mirror.

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[\[-\]Bloghead](#) 8 points 2 days ago

That... Is some creepy shit.

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[\[-\]sleevey](#) 191 points 2 days ago\*

That brick wall has almost definitely been built to divide a room as well. Picture number 8 with the cornice running straight into the wall like that and the way the joint between the brick veneer and the plasterboard looks I'd bet that the brick wall is simply a partition of an existing room.

It's not 100% proof that the room continues on the other side of the wall but it's an exceedingly strange design if that's not the case.

IDK if it means anything but I'm a carpenter and I'm doing this stuff all day every day. If I walked into a room and saw that, that would be my guess, even without the big mirror set into the wall opening like that.

edit; and the space for the bed? who would design a room like that? (picture 11) It's basically useless as a hotel room. I'm pretty certain that room has been partitioned.

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[\[-\]samtresler](#) 17 points 2 days ago

Where is the electric run to the wall lamps? It's either brick veneer... or they knocked out two bricks from the middle of the wall and ran it on the other side?

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[\[-\]sleevey](#) 26 points 2 days ago

Yeah. It doesn't really mean much though in relation to whether it's a partition or not. And it might all be completely innocent. They may have just enlarged another suite resulting in this weird shaped room. Maybe the mirror in the opening is just because the hotel manager got pissed off with brickies carrying bricks through his hotel and wanted them to come up with a shortcut to finish more quickly. IDK. It's just fun to try to play reddit detective. I'd like to find out what the real story is though.

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[\[-\]Eateries](#) 62 points 1 day ago

Jay Comeaux is about to have a very bad week.

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[\[-\]throwaway32235](#) 339 points 1 day ago

I've seen something like this before.

Over a decade ago, there was a fire in a hotel. Not a big one. I had to investigate the rooms for smoke/water damage. I ran across a room in the third floor that looked a lot like this.

It had a weird plaster wall w/ mirrors, a bed with chains underneath and creepy paintings in a modern, "faces melting"- style. (Don't know anything about art.) Decor was completely different from the rest of the rooms, it really struck out. There were three framed pictures of a pretty young girl on a small table. A day later I saw a picture of that girl elsewhere; she was a missing college girl. I contacted the police with my information, but nothing came of it that I know of.

I was almost killed by a hit and run a week later. Never connected the dots, thought it was an accident, but... yeah. I'm not paranoid but some things make you think.

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[\[-\]all\\_swell](#) 57 points 1 day ago

Dude what the fuck.

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[\[-\]nuhGIRLyen](#) 34 points 1 day ago

What was the hit and run like? Were you a pedestrian or was your car targeted?

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[\[-\]drewsnyy](#) 22 points 1 day ago

document anything and everything suspicious from now on.

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[\[-\]thlox](#) 14 points 1 day ago

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[\[-\]sonicSkis](#) 10 points 1 day ago

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Whoa. Is OP still with us?

[\[-\]DukeLeto2](#) 10 points 1 day ago

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Third floor, you say? Was it room 22?

[\[-\]Harbltron](#) 5 points 16 hours ago

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Swim with the sharks and you get eaten, friend... I think you very narrowly avoided being quietly erased.

Next time you see something linking the disappearance of a college student to high-society take it to the press first, not the bankers bodyguards.

[\[-\]gnomeimean](#) 21 points 1 day ago

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So much for people who don't believe in conspiracies. Obviously some are true and some are false. This shit is crazy

[\[-\]tehbizz](#) 11 points 1 day ago

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All conspiracies have roots in the truth.

[\[-\]chemotherapy001](#) 69 points 1 day ago

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at least one thing is for sure: nobody would ever make up a story on reddit

[\[-\]ManateeSheriff](#) 11 points 1 day ago

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[\[-\]ape\\_unit](#) 66 points 1 day ago

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Dammit man, look at all the karma you could have had!

[\[-\]AntDogFan](#) 155 points 2 days ago

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Personally if I had a secret sex dungeon I wouldn't put a picture of myself up. But then I guess I'm not the sort of guy to have a secret sex dungeon so what do I know.

[\[-\]ape\\_unit](#) 66 points 1 day ago

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I know. I agree with this guy's theory but putting a picture of yourself in the secret room seems like a rookie mistake.

[\[-\]aiken](#) 63 points 1 day ago

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However, putting up a picture of your arch-nemesis...

[\[-\]HeyZuesHChrist](#) 94 points 1 day ago

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Or a very egotistical one. Guys that would do this are generally very arrogant, and likely don't believe they'll get caught.

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[\[-\]BaobhanSith](#) 9 points 1 day ago

"Look. I asked for a picture of somebody 'wanking' not 'banking'. You have totally spoiled my girlfriends weekend!"

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[\[-\]SeedyOne](#) 72 points 2 days ago

Our very own private dick, exposing more private dick.

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 30 points 2 days ago

Not sure if complement or insult.

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[\[-\]SeedyOne](#) 15 points 2 days ago

Definitely the former. Your detective work has my curiosity piqued. May even deserve it's own thread at some point.

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[\[-\]obscure123456789](#) 4 points 1 day ago

why would that be insulting? it just means private eye right?

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[\[-\]foxywoxy83](#) 35 points 1 day ago

As far as the bricks, those are vacuform "Brick Skins" they are used in film/tv all the time. They come in plain sheets you paint the color of the desired brick. There would be no reason to use a skin around a window if it were not a false wall.

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[\[-\]hehehe1235](#) 118 points 2 days ago

The bricks on the wall line up exactly with the placement of the mirror

The mirror is set *in* the bricks. It's *not* a wall mirror.

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 64 points 2 days ago\*

Wow that's absolutely true. I didn't even notice that. That suggests that this is almost definitely a two way mirror.

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[\[-\]wsotw](#) 51 points 2 days ago

I am not saying that it is not a two way mirror, but those are brick veneer. It would not be unusual to set brick around the mirror or to allow an area for the mirror to be installed. Once again, not claiming that it is not a two way mirror, just saying that the bricks are not a smoking gun.

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[\[-\]longhorn617](#) 31 points 1 day ago

Does anyone recognize what that pin on his lapel is? it almost looks like an Easter Lily to me.

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 225 points 1 day ago\*

Good eye. I didn't notice that. I've done some research and found the same lapel pin on Stanford Group Company founder and owner R. Allen Stanford who was recently sentenced to life in prison for fraud. Interestingly Jay Coumeaux was the only one of the executives who was not put in jail after entering after "settling out of court".

Jay Comeaux, the brokerage's president from 1996 to 2005, settled claims against him without admitting or denying the allegations.

<http://assets.bizjournals.com/houston/print-edition/Robert%20Allen%20Stanford.jpg?v=1>

<http://blogs.trb.com/news/local/yolandasoutlook/Boys%20and%20Girls%20Club%202008%20003-thumb.jpg>

It may go deeper. There is a very similar lapel pin on the lapel of the man in this painting which is allegedly of Stanford Group Company Allen Stanfords father that hung in the bank for many years.

<http://i.imgur.com/vrJQ7Ry.png>

Wow just stumbled onto something big here. I found the same design of the lapel as the logo for the now defunct illegal Guardian International Bank that Stanford started in the Caribbean as a cover for his fraudulent banking and investment company.

<http://i.imgur.com/YgKnef0.png>

Here it is again as a logo trademarked by the Stanford Group Company.

<http://www.trademarkia.com/logo-78911153.html>

[http://4.bp.blogspot.com/\\_mArkP29yYE0/SaCZZ28ynZI/AAAAAAAAAaY/1N42oohQnzA/s1600/logo\\_stanford.gif](http://4.bp.blogspot.com/_mArkP29yYE0/SaCZZ28ynZI/AAAAAAAAAaY/1N42oohQnzA/s1600/logo_stanford.gif)

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[\[-\]danceswithshelves](#) 15 points 1 day ago

That is some damn fine sleuthing you did there. Have an upvote!

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[\[-\]pill popper](#) 188 points 2 days ago

Also it's room 322, which is rife with Masonic connotations, *specifically* associated with the Skull & Bones, the Yale fraternity which is a clearing house for secret societies. That would also explain the Skull painting...betcha that fucker in the portrait went to Yale.

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[\[-\]dermotBlancmonge](#) 31 points 1 day ago

I wonder what's behind door 322 in the other Zaza in Dallas

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[\[-\]breevan](#) 38 points 1 day ago

Kinda makes me wanna check 322 in every hotel I ever go to now. Im gonna request it

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 69 points 2 days ago

Indeed. Which I believe originates with Genesis 3:22 which reads.

And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil.

That's a very interesting point about the skull. I hadn't thought of that.

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[\[-\]DukeofMilan](#) 12 points 1 day ago

Brilliant - what are the chances you can give me a source on this or point me toward more information about their use of this verse?

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[\[-\]jfong86](#) 19 points 1 day ago

For anyone wondering, 322 is part of the Skull and bones emblem: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull\\_and\\_bones](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull_and_bones)

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[\[-\]desmondthemoonjew](#) 35 points 1 day ago

Nope, he went to Louisiana State University, I graduated in the same class

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[\[-\]Vogeltanz](#) 118 points 1 day ago

Except no one from LSU would ever call it Louisiana State University. Nice try, Skull & Bones agent!

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[\[-\]In the heat](#) 30 points 1 day ago

This might make reunions a bit awkward.

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[\[-\]LoveOfProfit](#) 30 points 2 days ago

Oh fuck, indeed! Good eye!

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[\[-\]shr00mD00M](#) 25 points 2 days ago

Sherlock Holmesed that shit man.

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[\[-\]mcali5ter](#) 52 points 2 days ago

Take note of the eyes in the paintings. The twins(?) have one eye on the bed and three staring at what seems to be the desk or Comeaux who in turn is looking towards the mirror.

The one above the bed is signed Benny H. No idea of who he is.

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[\[-\]dollarsandcents101](#) 25 points 2 days ago

Cue Yakety Sax!!!!

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 28 points 2 days ago

I have tried to find a painter by the name Benny H. in the Houston area but have come up empty. I wonder however if Benny H. may stand for Benny Hill the world famous comedian known for for his long-running television programme The Benny Hill Show.

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[\[-\]mcali5ter](#) 117 points 2 days ago

In a separate comment, the President of ZaZa hotels is apparently Benji Homsey, which could be the elusive Benny H.

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[\[-\]piltownmen](#) 4 points 1 day ago

and also has one eye pointing off in another direction! Freaky!

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[\[-\]Whats Wrong With Ppl](#) 46 points 1 day ago

The Global Elite dont spend their money cloning dinosaurs in costa rica or building Iron Man suits to fight crime,they dont even invest it in tangible things, they spend their money fucking 12 year olds in/from Thailand  
that is all

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[\[-\]zissous4](#) 66 points 2 days ago

I believe you just made public something that the hotel management wouldnt want out there. Really fucking creepy that the mirror is recessed in the wall, it's definitely 2-way glass and the wall is brick because of sound from the other side of the wall I'm assuming?

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[\[-\]LancesLeftNut](#) 32 points 1 day ago

The sound of creepy old men furiously masturbating. I bet the change in their pockets jingles.

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[\[-\]FarleyHatcher](#) 13 points 1 day ago

If you ever hear change jingling, you'll know I'm coming.

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[\[-\]23 vibrators](#) 4 points 1 day ago

i don't think these old men are the change carrying type, i'm thinking 20s and higher

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[\[-\]ThrustGoblin](#) 18 points 23 hours ago

322 is significant to the "[Skull and Bones](#)"

fraternity at Yale.

[Members include both George W. Bush, and John Kerry](#)

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[\[-\]annath918](#) 55 points 2 days ago

I find it odd that everyone says the portrait of the guy is weird. I guess its weird in the context of the room, but I find the painting of the... girl...thing...much creepier.

To the point that I'd probably ask to be moved regardless.

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[\[-\]RedditorZero](#) 27 points 2 days ago

weird only exists in context, if you think about it.

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 74 points 2 days ago\*

The fact there is a picture of a man in a business suit in a sadomasochistic themed room in a hotel is weird enough but when the identity of that man is revealed to be investment banking executive Jay Comeaux, a man who is known to have held several events in the hotel and is well connected in the Houston area and with banks and governments internationally it becomes not only creepy but indicative of a major scandal especially when you note that there is a very good chance that this is a two-way mirror on the wall.

<http://www.bauer.uh.edu/dls/speakers/comeaux.htm>

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[\[-\]3veyhammond](#) 4 points 1 day ago

Am I think only one who thinks the pillow is creepy? "Hey Beautiful, we love to..."

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[\[-\]Ant thrasher](#) 8 points 1 day ago

It says "Hey Beautiful, we love ya!"

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[\[-\]solitarybutsocial](#) 19 points 1 day ago

That guy looks like Carter Pewterschmidt. He was also a skull and bones member. Must dig deeper...

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[\[-\]lexsird](#) 87 points 2 days ago

Not to creep anyone out too much, but look at the picture of the floor close, as in zoom in. Doesn't it look like a floor stained with blood that soaked through the carpet? I would say it was soaked the most at the end of the bed, no?

This might not just be a weird sex room, this might be a snuff room.

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[\[-\]lexsird](#) 43 points 1 day ago

It shouldn't be surprising though with the motif of the room. Who does that? They sure can't be going for the "let's sell Girl Scout Cookies" look, right?

What creeps me out is the intent of it all. Take a look at the panning shot of it. This screams of someone on an insane power trip. The chair has quite the commanding view, it has the entrance covered and the bed looks like it's something to dominate just setting there.

Two things I'm curious about looking at again, or a closer look, the front door, was there anything weird about it. Like did it lock from the inside in a way to keep someone inside with a person with a key?

The chains on the bed. Hmm!? Used to hold someone? They look pretty flimsy, but is this experience talking here? Are these adequate enough to hold a woman, and perhaps light enough that she struggles, thinking she has hope? Besides, nobody would question light chains. It's the big log chains you drag into the bedroom that everyone gets curious about. Just buying big chains people get curious, and you stand out perhaps enough to jog someone's memory.

Normally you apply "dark" until it doesn't fit, right? I'm throwing buckets of "dark" at this and I'm not finding the boundaries yet.

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[\[-\]dermotBlancmonge](#) 10 points 1 day ago

I'd have to say it is more like the [execution](#)

experience.

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[\[-\]dysmetric](#) 6 points 1 day ago

The room seems loaded with hints of ritual symbolism.

- The [painting](#)

of the ZaZa Hotels [owner](#)

- The eminent [placement](#)

of the bankers portrait

- The [girls](#)

, with big throats sliced and strangled, overlooking the bed.

- The [skull clock](#)

in the bathroom whose exit is framed by the large skull, which must also be passed to exit the hotel room.

It's incidental but the banker and hotel owner appear to have similar facial features.

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[\[-\]asciibutts](#) 5 points 1 day ago

GUH!

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[\[-\]lexsird](#) 40 points 1 day ago

What is also creepy is how the carpet is laid. It appears they only glue it to the edges, making it easy to pull up. No tackstrip along the edges or glue in the centers.

Just whack someone, pull up the carpet and toss it. It would act as a big diaper for DNA, not to mention a blood sponge. Throw down another carpet and it looks clean, no suspicions. There were probably enough chemicals put to that bare concrete to kill any DNA testing, so it's just a pesky stain that would normally be covered up. This was probably found before the carpet was replaced. After all, who the hell is going to hire out this carpet job.

I noticed some foot prints on the floor via the paint jobs. This is really sloppy, because whoever built the place probably is part of it or is in the know. It's just another piece of information to add to the mix, factor at least the boot size, right?

Does that air vent bother anyone else? I would love to have had a look at that or in it.

I think the OP should have called the cops. The whole place looks like a crime scene/lair.

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[\[-\]20\\_cats](#) 4 points 1 day ago

Only it's not carpet its concrete...

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[\[-\]juice of the mango](#) 108 points 2 days ago\*

I'm gonna go with:

The room next door is a suite. These dudes throw a party in *the suite*... get some high class call girls (or maybe some co-eds). It's got a self-service bar, some blow, maybe some cigars, "pick your poison" and all the accouterments.

Once the party gets going, a guy will take one of the girls to the "private" room for some slap and tickle.

"I know a quiet place where we can go. I want to hear more about your plans to be a veterinarian."

*Then*, while he's making his way out of the party with the girl, he gives a nod to one of his cohorts. Then the game is on and *the cohort* slips away into the private VIP room. Maybe two or three guys go into the private VIP room.

Now, the private VIP room is entered through the suite, maybe through the back of a walk in closet (to preserve light and noise discipline). It has a couple of easy chairs and a table to rest cocktails on, but most importantly, *it's on the other side of the two way mirror*.

They probably alternate between partying, watching, and performing...over the course of a single evening.

Edit: I've been ~~in and~~ around this sort of crowd long enough to make an educated guess as to how they get their freak on. I'm not in a secret society, nor did I go to an Ivy League school, but I'm familiar with the type. This is right up their alley. And only a complete dumbshit would put that portrait up in this day and age, unless it was a frame-up (no pun intended).

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[\[-\]r16d](#) 65 points 1 day ago

also, sometimes they ask the hookers how to email people on the iphone their wife got them for christmas.

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[\[-\]woarber](#) 9 points 1 day ago

I find this explanation the most likely solution.

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[\[-\]boredwithlife0b](#) 14 points 1 day ago

That sounds too well thought out to be from some random internet person...why don't you have a seat in the chair.

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[\[-\]flr666](#) 5 points 1 day ago\*

It's probably something like that. The owner of the hotel is probably a swinger. He had a big 10th anniversary [party](#)

at the hotel just a few weeks ago. This room may have been for the entertainment of a few select guests.

EDIT: Just noticed the party in the writeup was at the hotel in Dallas not Houston - Although I guess that does not mean the two aren't somehow connected.

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[\[-\]fakename5](#) 36 points 1 day ago

I wonder if the room is used for recording in addition to viewing. Bring in potential customer, hook him up with call girls potentially drugs. Video tape said encounter and then blackmail said clients into giving you what you want (contracts, coverups, whatever).

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[\[-\]VicBecker](#) 13 points 1 day ago

I don't know if this has been said anywhere else on here. But somebody else wrote about accidentally being put in this same room in February 2012. She said that after a few minutes of checking into her room, the front desk called her and said that they had to move her. She said she was a crime writer and actually liked the room but the front desk insisted that she be moved....

<http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>

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[\[-\]Billlbo](#) 22 points 2 days ago

Apparently it is called "Hard Times" and "it's a play on a jail experience". Both of those things don't seem sexual whatsoever. Great job PR people. you really diffused the situation.

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[\[-\]tylerpoppe](#) 12 points 1 day ago

While reading your post, I immediately thought of the Garden State scene when they are watching the people in the hotel room.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=URt8hBsrHFI>

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[\[-\]JoshuW](#) 63 points 1 day ago

This is why nobody is tough on Wall Street and/or White Collar crime. These are the kind of narcissistic assholes you'd be up against. A man (or group of men) that would not be hindered by tact, shame, or propriety at any point in the journey from "I'd like to have a sex dungeon" to buying a

hotel room, paying a contractor to build it out, hiring call girls to perform, and putting his own damn picture on the wall...would neither be hindered by integrity, fairness, or even laws in trying to influence politicians, or bribing/extorting regulators.

The last person to be meaningfully tough on white-collar crime was Eliot Spitzer. I'm no conspiracy theorist, but I'm pretty sure it wasn't just bureaucratic cogs in the federal government that uncovered his prostitution scandal.

It's not a coincidence that Comeaux and his colleagues have been arrested for fraud.

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[\[-\]djwonluy](#) 15 points 1 day ago

He was only left alive because he was in the public eye. Less public figures have been less fortunate, unfortunately. A man leaves a hearing on price manipulation involving a powerful bank, upon leaving is immediately trailed and run over by a car. Because that randomly happens all the time.

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[\[-\]Hard4Jesus](#) 10 points 2 days ago

In the [last image](#)

, why is there a power strip attached to the corner of the bedside table?

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[\[-\]Thorntuminous](#) 17 points 2 days ago

To power a lap top with a web cam?

To power plug in sex toys?

To power plug in electroshock rods?

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[\[-\]Smiff2](#) 33 points 1 day ago

To make toast, to make tea, to run the trouser press..

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[\[-\]TigerMaskV](#) 11 points 1 day ago

Don't let them low ball you on the movie rights.

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[\[-\]kyyyy](#) 10 points 1 day ago

Why did I read this before going to bed?

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[\[-\]bungled](#) 10 points 1 day ago

This is a great post. Really fascinating and it does look like it's an example of a creepy elite sex dungeon.

The picture of the girl/girls looks to me like a reference to a trauma based mind control slave with multiple personalities, presumably the kind of girl they'd use as a prostitute etc.

There's a lot of references to this in pop culture lately, there are a lot of examples of it on the website [www.vigilantcitizen.com](http://www.vigilantcitizen.com)

. Like this one : <http://vigilantcitizen.com/vigilantreport/the-world-of-mind-control-through-the-eyes-of-an-artist-with-13-alter-personas/>

It's always linked to freemasonry, and considering this is room 322 with skulls everywhere it look like yet another example! Great post.

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[\[-\]quinoa2013](#) 17 points 1 day ago

I have an idea - thermal imaging camera, from the hallway, or from the outside. No locks picked, no laws broken. But there might be some information about wall thickness and the layout of the neighboring rooms.

The camera is just a few thou at flir.com

While you are at it, a UV light in the hallway. By comparing carpet soiling, we can find out if that room gets more - or less - use than the average.

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[\[-\]cptsticky33](#) 30 points 2 days ago

This may sound scary but... first thing that popped into my mind was not sex room. It was murder room. That is all.

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[\[-\]manukamanuka](#) 14 points 1 day ago

This room should be tested for blood/dna/evidence. Immediately.

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[\[-\]redjimditi](#) 48 points 1 day ago

I'd hate to be that lab tech. "Cum, cum, hair, hair, pubic hair, pubic hair, feces, urine, more feces" on and on forever. And that's just a normal hotel room. Not one that's a sex dungeon.

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[\[-\]paralacausa](#) 15 points 1 day ago

Why would you have a photo of yourself in a sex dungeon? Slave of the Month?

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[\[-\]vullgar](#) 14 points 2 days ago

You are incredible.

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[\[-\]LiveLifeBitch](#) 6 points 1 day ago\*

More key facts. Zaza definition

plenty, or belonging to all, a descendant of Judah (1 Chr. 2:33).

That news report was filed today, after interviewing OP's friend not named Max, but apparently after a delayed response from the hotel, and they claimed to have no idea who the picture was of (Jay) Also they had all other themed rooms except for this one on display on their site.

"To explain the painting with Benny H, Coats also told us that, at one point, the company's president, Benji, or Benjamin Homsey (Benny H) lived in the Hard Times room for two months, five days a week. We asked about the portrait of the distinguished, mustachioed gentleman, and she said she'd look into it. (She's also checking into the claims made by the guy who posted the pics in the first place.)"

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[\[-\]akakenny](#) 11 points 1 day ago

I just want to smash in that "mirror" too see what's on the other side. D:

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[\[-\]wardamngaybros](#) 11 points 1 day ago

Anyone else think it's lejefferson's murder room, and this is kind of like the serial killer returning to the scene of the crime for him?

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[\[-\]truelai](#) 6 points 1 day ago

OR.... this is ZaZa just marketing themselves on Reddit?? Womp womp!

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[\[-\]wilding592](#) 5 points 1 day ago

someone needs to rent it and be willing to pay, and brake the window....

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[\[-\]zeitistietzt](#) 3 points 1 day ago

Financial fraudsters put in prison? That's doesn't happen

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[\[-\]djshooter](#) 20 points 1 day ago

Not sure if anyone noticed anything about the reflection in pic 13: <http://imgur.com/a/Hshw0#12>

I don't know if it has something to do with the image from the TV reflecting off the mirror or what, but it doesn't match what's on the TV. Plus there is a strange light on the top center of the mirror, two blue streaks with a dark spot in between. I don't know what would be reflected to cause that kind of reflection. Maybe something strange with the TV reflection. Someone that has a better understanding of material optics may be able to explain.

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[\[-\]GenkiLawyer](#) 67 points 1 day ago

The picture was likely taken with the panoramic feature on the phone or camera (where you move the camera side to side and it uses the accelerometer to stitch various pictures into a larger/wider picture). The image on the screen probably changed between when the camera took the far left picture and when it took the far right picture.

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[\[-\]WePwnTheSky](#) 10 points 1 day ago

It's a panoramic photo likely taken with a cell phone camera. The individual frames that are stitched together are taken at slightly different times hence the different content in the reflection vs what's displayed on the TV.

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[\[-\]MeikaLeak](#) 9 points 1 day ago

It's a panoramic photo. The tv changed as he was taking the photos

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[\[-\]Psydra](#) 7 points 1 day ago

...you should probably report this.

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[\[-\]notcharley](#) 7 points 1 day ago

This is exactly why I never go to Houston

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[\[-\]wortime](#) 30 points 1 day ago

Actually. That's faux brick. Just because the mirror is set there doesn't mean it's a "secret room".

Also, in many hotels, there are private rooms that people OWN. THAT'S why they aren't supposed to be rented out.

So dude needs to learn how to decorate? Big deal.

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[\[-\]MyOfficeMcNulty](#) 12 points 1 day ago

Not going to lie far preferred when it was some big wig scandal shit than some wank owning this room. SUSPEND YOUR DISBELIEF!

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[\[-\]AndrewnotJackson](#) 8 points 1 day ago

Start e-mailing those news outlets, guys. This could be big.

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[\[-\]dj8man11](#) 32 points 1 day ago

This is absurd. Why would these "high society" people have to resort to using a hotel room on the third floor (you'd think the Illuminati or whoever it is you think is having Eyes Wide Shut-style sex parties replete with hookers and onlookers would at least get a suite) in Hotel fucking ZaZa!?! Have you ever been to this hotel? It's like a trashy version of the W. Can't imagine a group of executives there. With the resources that this Jay fellow has, you'd think he'd at least buy a condo for his exploits to maximize privacy or go to a classier, more discrete venue. (I can't imagine half of the board of directors of Halliburton strutting through the hall of the third floor of ZaZa with hookers on their arms for all to see. Lol.) Next, if this is indeed Mr. Comeaux's 'boom boom room' as you suggest, why on earth would he put a picture of himself on the wall? If I were him, I'd like to keep everything about this aspect of my life as quiet as possible. Finally, why does fraud at his company make your interpretation of room 322's purpose more plausible? Committing fraud has absolutely no connection to having sex parties in a weird hotel room. I understand that this is an unusual room, and everyone loves a juicy, scandalous story and all that, but c'mon...

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 15 points 1 day ago\*

Well my best guess is that it is this guy's private sex room where he brings his escorts/ girlfriends away from the prying eyes of his wife or that he uses it to record/watch sexual encounters while either a camera or he stands behind the two way mirror and watches with his buddies.

It could also be explained that the creepy small cramped eerie style is part of the allure of this room. He's grown bored having sexual trysts in the big fancy room of the hotel and uses this one to give it an edgier feel. All part of the fantasy.

From what I've seen the hotel is pretty nice and even if it was seedy a low key place might be the perfect place to bring one's escorts. It has also been pointed out that Jay Coumeaux has several connection with the owners of the hotel and has been to several events there.

The photo on the wall could be part of his narcissistic sexual fantasy, maybe he gets off on a couple of girls doing it while a picture of him on the wall watches, helps him be part of action while he watches from behind the glass. It could also be a part of some skull and bones ritual or event as has been explained by others. Either way he wouldn't expect anyone to go in who he didn't invite in. They could have a key for the call girls that was given out by mistake. And why would he expect anyone who did go in to recognize him.

I agree that it's all speculation at this point but that it should be investigated further given all these clues.

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[\[-\]TheAtomicOption](#) 5 points 2 days ago

This is so cool!

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[\[-\]amd87](#) 4 points 1 day ago

If you were a prominent business executive, why the fuck would you hang your picture on the wall of the secret sex dungeon you frequent? I feel like with only the slightest amount of foresight you would realize that it's probably a mistake.

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[\[-\]Engidork](#) 4 points 1 day ago

Did anyone else notice the power strip installed on the side of the nightstand?

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[\[-\]Makaveli777](#) 4 points 1 day ago

This has probably been said before but 322 is the Skull and Bones number. And I see a Skull on the wall. Yaayy

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[\[-\]edjumication](#) 13 points 2 days ago

my first guess was celebrity magician.

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[\[-\]stifin](#) 35 points 2 days ago

... *Slightly* odd?

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[\[-\]MenuBar](#) 57 points 2 days ago

It's obviously the room where our rich overlords and politicians go to do things we'd be arrested for.

BYO Rape Kit.

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[\[-\]lejefferson](#) 6 points 2 days ago

"Sleeps" there.

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[\[-\]umopapsidn](#) 13 points 2 days ago

That stuff might even be his own artwork, or from one of his children.

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[\[-\]alcabazar](#) 51 points 2 days ago

He must have one creepy looking fridge at home.

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[\[-\]Bleedthebeat](#) 49 points 2 days ago

Here's what you do. Wait until about 2 or 3 in the am and go to the lobby and tell the clerk you'll give home \$10 to tell you what the hell the deal is with that room

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[\[-\]golfprouva](#) 4 points 2 days ago

Best I can do is \$5

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[\[-\]YachtRockRenegade](#) 16 points 2 days ago

Psh, you call that a sex dungeon?

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[\[-\]waffleninja](#) 40 points 2 days ago

Since that guy ran a ponzi scheme and basically got away with it with a small/no fine, it fits in with the "hard times" jail theme. Instead of going to jail, he stays in hotel rooms.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/08/31/us-sec-stanford-comeaux-idUSBRE87U1B920120831>

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[\[-\]buckiaz](#) 12 points 2 days ago

Well I'll be damned you're right!

<http://www.google.com/search?q=Jay+Comeaux,&um=1&ie=UTF-8&hl=en&tbm=isch&source=og&sa=N&tab=wi&ei=VeliUYXQOers2gWP94GoDg&biw=1366&bih=643&sei=WuliUcuzFsTi2QWZx4GgBA>

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[\[-\]Barmleggy](#) 4 points 2 days ago

Yeah, it's much more Federal S.E.C. fraud white collar crime jail, when compared with Prison jail.

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[\[-\]tgo26](#) 592 points 2 days ago

My guess it's a weird sex room for the owner or general manager or something..

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[\[-\]Mystery Hours](#) 491 points 2 days ago

I would actually expect a little weirder for a weird sex room.

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[\[-\]AvidLoLFan](#) 311 points 2 days ago

Which makes the whole thing weirder.

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[\[-\]slothscantswim](#) 78 points 2 days ago

Precisely!

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[\[-\]LawBobLoblaw](#) 119 points 2 days ago

"This... this just isn't weird enough. I'm sorry: we can't do this. Not here."

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[\[-\]AspergerInParadise](#) 23 points 2 days ago

It's The Beige Room of Pain created by Christian Grey's 3rd cousin twice removed, Pistian Grey in 1942.

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[\[-\]Chocolart](#) 29 points 2 days ago

Dorian Gray?

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[\[-\]theyseemErockin](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Earl Grey?

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[\[-\]kujustin](#) 203 points 2 days ago

I'm not following the "sex dungeon" link everyone is making. It's just a slightly goth-y decor, is that it?

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[\[-\]Dericchutney](#) 120 points 2 days ago

If it's secret, it's ALWAYS a sex dungeon.

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[\[-\]2cerio](#) 55 points 2 days ago

Me either. My guess is that the owner's son is a deadbeat artist and is allowed to stay here for free and gets maid service (otherwise it would be a shit hole.) Picture above the door is dad.

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[\[-\]kujustin](#) 28 points 2 days ago

Someone said the guy in the pic is some corporate exec who hosted an event at the hotel around the time of it's opening.

I think your story is close to the best guess there is out there. The picture was probably just sitting around from the previous appearance and the kid put it up b/c it's funny to have a stodgy old white guy on the wall in that room.

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[\[-\]sacroyalty](#) 76 points 2 days ago

The thing that gets me is the floor. Its not comfortable carpet, or a nice hardwood floor, rather something they can easily hose out after use? Maybe worried about staining?

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[\[-\]kujustin](#) 111 points 2 days ago

I assume it's just an unfinished room? Concrete is a terrible surface for "hosing off" and is great at taking on stains.

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[\[-\]pomo](#) 51 points 2 days ago

Polishing concrete and sealing it is a cheap way to get an "industrial" look in your interior space.

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[\[-\]sacroyalty](#) 22 points 2 days ago

I dont know whats wrong with me, guess I don't bleed on concrete enough. Wouldn't they do the floor before finishing everything else?

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[\[-\]sweetmercy](#) 12 points 2 days ago

It looks like the carpet was torn out, likely to be replaced. Concrete stains ridiculously easily and will hold the stain pretty much permanently without muriatic acid. It also holds moisture, so hosing it out would not be good either, unless you're going for the smell of a musty basement.

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[\[-\]SixAlarmFire](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Sealed concrete floors are pretty popular in Texas because it gets so hot there. Keeps things cooler. Pretty nice really.

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[\[-\]tgo26](#) 112 points 2 days ago

I'm going by the brick and concrete ( to keep noise out) and the bed being chained to the wall.

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[\[-\]chaosmosis](#) 24 points 2 days ago

also, the giant mirror next to the bed

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[\[-\]cryyystaaal](#) 14 points 2 days ago

Double sided mirror? O\_o

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[\[-\]YourPostsAreBad](#) 129 points 2 days ago

Brick and concrete do a much worse job insulating sound than your typical wood frame wall.

The bed chained to the wall is usually used to conserve space, since the edge of the bed that is along the wall usually has a hinge and the bed can be lifted up out of the way when you have guests.

my bet is that it is just an extra space (probably old utility room, that was converted into a living quarters for the owner/property manager

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[\[-\]sheriffofnottingham](#) 124 points 2 days ago

Well you're wrong about the acoustic isolation. A typical wooden frame wall is gonna have an stc rating of about 35dB and brick or concrete will be up in the 50-65dB range depending on thickness etc. Absorbance (reflections, reverb etc) is different to transmission

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[\[-\]hanumanCT](#) 26 points 2 days ago

Brick and concrete do a much worse job insulating sound than your typical wood frame wall.

I don't believe this to be true at all. Maybe if the wood frame wall was densely insulated, or had acoustical baffling, but there is no way sound can penetrate brick better than drywall and wood.

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[\[-\]Deinosmos](#) 37 points 2 days ago

I figure that's where they drain the newborn for blood before the sex-feasts.

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[\[-\]DCBizzle](#) 8 points 2 days ago

I was thinking it looks like a kill room from some weird movie or something.

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[\[-\]NewQuisitor](#) 12 points 2 days ago

....chains on the bed...

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[\[-\]kujustin](#) 55 points 2 days ago

I'd still file that under "slightly gothy-y" or at most "mildly sexual."

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[\[-\]safariplanet](#) 30 points 2 days ago

Mildly sexual: wall chains

Mid-sexual: ....

Extremely sexual: barn animals

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[\[-\]jb0nd38372](#) 18 points 2 days ago

Now everything makes sense; The picture of the older man watching over the room is old Mcdonald.

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[\[-\]kujustin](#) 30 points 2 days ago

Wall shackles, whips, ball gags, sex toys, lube, sex furniture, etc are all things way more befitting of a "sex dungeon" than what appears to be a more-or-less decorative chain between the brick and the bed.

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[\[-\]BrushGoat](#) 13 points 2 days ago

Hopefully, they expect one to bring his/her own insertables. How many stars is this hotel?

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[\[-\]Mystery Hours](#) 11 points 2 days ago

Never use the hotel insertables.

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[\[-\]riskoooo](#) 6 points 2 days ago

4 love eggs out of 5.

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[\[-\]unreasonably sensual](#) 5 points 2 days ago

I can confirm this. It's a good start.

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[\[-\]MangoBitch](#) 24 points 2 days ago

if you were going to put this much effort into a sex dungeon and you like chains, there would be a LOT more. Those short lengths are essentially useless.

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[\[-\]jib0nd38372](#) 11 points 2 days ago

Maybe those chains are for the midget fetish.

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[\[-\]BrushGoat](#) 12 points 2 days ago

I would have thought midgets would require longer chains.

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[\[-\]YourPostsAreBad](#) 10 points 2 days ago

saves space. they have one end of the bed attached to the wall with a hinge and chains attached to the opposite corners (think drawbridge) so you can lift it up out of the way during the day. it looks like space is a hot commodity in that room.

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[\[-\]NewQuisitor](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Oh, you think it's a Murphy bed? That's entirely possible, but I've never seen one like that. Just seems a bit odd to me.

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[\[-\]ravingllama](#) 25 points 2 days ago

Note the power strip at the foot of the bed for plugging in not just one, but *multiple* vibrators and other toys. Sex dungeon.

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[\[-\]greeneyedguru](#) 36 points 2 days ago

or multiple laptops and tablets...

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[\[-\]HalfKneegrow](#) 14 points 2 days ago

Plug in vibrator? Really?

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[\[-\]I\\_love\\_pens](#) 34 points 2 days ago

Hitachi Magic Wand

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[\[-\]HalfKneegrow](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Totally misread your name and I thought you were some kinda dildo bot.

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[\[-\]I\\_love\\_pens](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Then wouldn't my username be something like "I\_love\_penis\_analogs"?

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[\[-\]RealJesusChris](#) 5 points 2 days ago

I think it has to do with the slightly-odd and prompt moving to another hotel room, once the guest asked about it?

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[\[-\]takingphotosmakingdo](#) 5 points 2 days ago

I think it's creepier that the mirror looks to be a one way glass pane.

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[\[-\]plaingirl](#) 4 points 2 days ago

Yea, I agree. Having spent significant time in some sex dungeons...this would be a really silly sex dungeon.

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[\[-\]sekai-31](#) 13 points 2 days ago

Sex dungeon? But where's the cone for you to give yourself anal?

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[\[-\]kermittoyou](#) 60 points 2 days ago

oooo what's behind that glass mirror?!?

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[\[-\]Craysh](#) 31 points 2 days ago

Well, the room *is* smaller than the other rooms. So, wank/crawl space.

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[\[-\]dromoe](#) 141 points 2 days ago

Sorry to get all conspiracy theory on you. But the number "322" is connected to the "Skull and Bones" secret society at Yale. My guess is that white guy on the wall is a member. And that would explain the skulls everywhere. Hopefully it's just his BDSM lair and not an occult rape dungeon. The part that makes me think non consensual things are going on is the concrete floors.

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[\[-\]pdnext](#) 48 points 2 days ago

Yup, as soon as I saw the skulls + white people + 322 = skull and bones. Members include George H (& W) Bush, John Kerry and many more 'elite'.

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[\[-\]Violetly](#) 11 points 2 days ago

as several have mentioned, though, concrete floors (unsealed) are pretty terrible for staining... if I were making an ACTUAL rape/murder dungeon, I'd use something more resilient!

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[\[-\]dawnroselyn](#) 16 points 2 days ago

You were told not to reveal that information.

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[\[-\]ilostmyoldaccount](#) 6 points 2 days ago

I was thinking for sex rewards, like companies offer. Just "secret society" style. Probably rented out to reward peers with some random prostitutes.

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[\[-\]curse\\_of\\_kintave](#) 73 points 2 days ago\*

Did anyone consider that the mirror over the bed might be two-way? I'm not saying it necessarily *is*, but it's oddly huge, it looks like it's ~~right up against~~ set into the wall, and it's right over the bed.

Weird Houston illegal porno room?

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[\[-\]Funemployment](#) 57 points 2 days ago

One time im pretty sure this happened to me. Me and my girl show up, we had an appointment, he looks at my girl and upgrades us to a much nicer room "for free". In the room was a huge mirror on the wall in a heaaavy looking frame- pointing to the bed. We considered what was happening, shrugged, and had went on as usual. Pretty sure he got an amazing show if indeed it was double sided.

Always wondered how common that might be.

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[\[-\]xsugarycarnival](#) 74 points 2 days ago

There's a way for you to check this actually! Put your finger to the mirror. If there's a gap between your finger & it's reflection, then its a normal mirror. If there's no gap its a two-way mirror. :)

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[\[-\]Autumnsprings](#) 56 points 2 days ago

[no, not really.](#)

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[\[-\]daedsiluap](#) 18 points 2 days ago

That was a good read.

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[\[-\]brian9000](#) 18 points 2 days ago

I thought that I had heard that the silver coating (or whatever) on a two way mirror was quite delicate. So they'd put an extra piece of glass on the "bright" side (for lack of a better word). That way when it got dirty, the protective glass was being scrubbed, not the fine coating.

In other words, once it was installed, another protective pane of normal glass was installed in front, leaving the coating sandwiched between the front piece of protective glass as well as the main back glass that the coating was annealed to. In this case then both sides can be cleaned safely as the outside of both sides are just glass.

Wouldn't an installation like this falsely pass your finger test?

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[\[-\]pzbogo](#) 22 points 2 days ago

Another way is you cup your hands around your face and put your face right up against the mirror.

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[\[-\]say\\_whuuuut](#) 8 points 2 days ago

That would tell you if there's glass between the reflective surface or not. In reality there's [no such thing as a one-way mirror](#)

, just glass with slightly lower than normal opacity and a dark room on one side and a bright room on the other side. If you wanted to check for such a window you could turn off the lights on your own side suddenly and check for any evidence of lights on the other side.

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[\[-\]veritechcyclone](#) 8 points 2 days ago

Wonder if you could detect a 2-way mirror by shining a cheap laser pointer at/through it. Darken the room and point the laser at the mirror. If 2-way, it seems like a certain amount of light would get through and still be bright enough for you to make out the dot.

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[\[-\]BobosaurusKaty](#) 132 points 3 days ago

Holy shit you weren't kidding. That room is... interesting.

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[\[-\]misfit\\_lotsofpie](#) 80 points 2 days ago\*

I was similarly given a room that was not suppose to be rented out once. It seemed to be a junk/spare stuff room. Unfortunately [this](#)

is the only picture I got. Not pictured though was an entire cases of empty coronas and newspapers thrown throughout the bathroom.

They were apparently undergoing renovations as the next room they gave us the door was physically painted shut. Then the third room was cover in stink bugs. *ugh, shudders* I can handle the messed up rooms, but fucking stink bugs eww never again will I stay there.

Edit: Wording and yes it is shudders not shutters god damn it.

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[\[-\]itskieran](#) 201 points 2 days ago

Those mattresses were piled up to test if you were a princess, looks like you failed

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[\[-\]KosherNazi](#) 20 points 2 days ago

What was wrong with the shutters?

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[\[-\]aarghiforget](#) 18 points 2 days ago

Well, obviously they weren't closed well enough, and they let the stinkbugs in.

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[\[-\]TheSciences](#) 16 points 2 days ago

"Homer, I think this is a real utility room."

"Excuse me, just gotta grab the old wet/dry vac!"

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[\[-\]darkest\\_wraith](#) 62 points 2 days ago

Just wanted to drop by and let you know, in a friendly manner, that the act of an uncontrolled body shake, due to subconscious revulsion, is called a "shudder".

If I'm not mistaken, a "shutter" is a device used by a camera to allow light to pass through the lens and into a photovoltaic receptacle.

:)

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[\[-\]beingpoliteisrude](#) 27 points 2 days ago

Thank God you are here!

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[\[-\]ComplainyGuy](#) 29 points 2 days ago

The passive aggressivest smile in history.

Hitler wasn't this passive aggressive to his least favourite family member

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[\[-\]Spongi](#) 12 points 2 days ago

it's like, I'll fucking **kill you!** :-D

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[\[-\]safariplanet](#) 10 points 2 days ago

Oh shut the fuck up :=]

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[\[-\]algo2](#) 12 points 2 days ago

Here where I live (East TN) we have a lot of stink bugs. They find their way in. Sometimes you are lucky and they don't do anything and you can just throw them out, but sometimes you walk into a room and you can just tell they are there without having to see them.

I FUCKING HATE STINK BUGS!

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[\[-\]Revived](#) 9 points 2 days ago

Dude...that's a two way mirror FOR SURE. It just looks... off.

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[\[-\]jdeliverer](#) 25 points 2 days ago

Picture 13/14 the reflection of the TV is different from what's on the TV, it's haunted!

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[\[-\]Geoffrey Thrush](#) 20 points 2 days ago

Late to the convo, but this is because I'm guessing it was taken in a panorama mode, meaning the photo of one side of the room was taken before the other side, giving whatever it was on the tv (show, ad, etc) time to change. Nothing weird going on.

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[\[-\]Gman777](#) 12 points 2 days ago

Most interesting thing is the mirror.

You know there's a camera behind there, right?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 14 points 2 days ago

lots of speculation on that in this thread. what makes you certain?

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[\[-\]Gman777](#) 33 points 2 days ago

Besides the colour of the glazing itself and the size of it, the recessed frame looks like its built to hide a hole behind & help ensure noise & light doesn't come through. Ie. when light on behind mirror and the hotel room is dark.

Typically, a mirror is added to a room. This room looks like it was built around the mirror.

If it was a simple mirror, it would be much, much easier, cheaper and simpler to surface mount it. Even a very large mirror. Why else go to the trouble of adding the brick facing around the mirror?

Unless they went to the trouble of making it look like there might be something behind the wall, just ro mess with you, but seems like a lot of trouble for something relatively subtle!?

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[\[-\]Cmaj0r](#) 14 points 2 days ago

This is an important observation. They had the mirror first, and then laid the brick material to fit the mirror shape. The mirror acts as a part of the wall. The room was built around the mirror. The size of the mirror is strange for such a small room, its like a window... from the photos- there is definitely something other than the wall behind the mirror.

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[\[-\]butterypanda](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Why do I get a feeling that's a 2-way mirror

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[\[-\]blackcomedy](#) 24 points 2 days ago

you know after reading through 100 comments i am beginning to think so too

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[\[-\]mtbrider](#) 12 points 2 days ago

This makes me think of the hotel in Devil and the White City

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[\[-\]lightningrod14](#) 4 points 2 days ago

i don't know why, exactly, but the creepiest part of this whole thing is the gray concrete floor. I just...don't know.

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[\[-\]gonesurfin27](#) Westchase 20 points 3 days ago\*

Oh my god, "hard cold concrete floors", easy to clean up spills.. this is super creepy to me!

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[\[-\]you gotta](#) 69 points 2 days ago

Unless treated, concrete is actually incredibly porous and absorbent. A good way to get stains and smells out of it is to pour a heavy layer of biological washing powder on it and lightly spray with a fine mist hose.

The more you know.

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[\[-\]Knetic491](#) 30 points 2 days ago

Mmm, mm-hm (taking notes and nodding)

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[\[-\]5cbb9](#) 22 points 2 days ago

concrete contractor here....he is right...you better seal it if you plan on spilling any bodily fluids

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[\[-\]dонт tread on bees](#) 10 points 1 day ago

Your friend isn't the first one to have this experience

<http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>

Hilary Davidson was touring for her new crime novel and she was accidently booked into this room.

"A few minutes after I got there, the front desk called up and said they had to move me; the people at the front desk were deeply upset at the thought of me being stuck in this room..."

Sounds like they don't want people to rent this room. Someone should contact Davidson and ask her about it

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[\[-\]homesick alien](#) 22 points 2 days ago\*

Not to burst any bubbles... But if you look into ZaZa they have "concept suites"..

<http://www.hotelzaza.com/#houston/suites/concept/>

Perhaps this is just an unfinished one? I like a good mystery but... Hmm, still not sure about that portrait....

Edit: Link fixed...

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 40 points 2 days ago

I've stayed in the concept suites - they are huge and spacious with very luxury areas - small mini kitchen, dining table, sitting area, large bed & huge bathroom. This wasn't a concept suite.

Plus those are on the high floors ( 11 & 12 th floors I think).

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[\[-\]homesick alien](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Yeah the size is odd.. It is really weird, but I didn't realize that the whole hotel is kind of off kilter...

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[\[-\]atheistukjewthrowawa](#) 5 points 2 days ago

What are all the marks on the floor? Is concrete just like that or has it been cleaned or stained or something? Maybe they rip out and replace the carpets in that room after every visit...

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[\[-\]Balishagga](#) Washington Avenue 5 points 2 days ago

Do you know if there was a window behind those curtains? just curious

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 8 points 2 days ago

he says "Yes, there was a window in the room but it was shaded up to where you couldn't see whatever white space was on the other side. It didn't feel like it was intentionally blocked out "

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[\[-\]crappyboy](#) 5 points 2 days ago

I shall follow this thread with great interest. I feel there is much more here.

Hotel workers of the world, what else is hiding out there?

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 5 points 2 days ago

maybe I can convince my old roommate to AMA ex hotel ZaZa employee?

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[\[-\]sacroyalty](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Awesome post, thanks OP. Its crazy the front desk person knew this room, and that it was off limits. Makes you wonder what other secret/private rooms are out there in other hotels.

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[\[-\]capndipshit](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Great. I've seen the pics and now I'm gonna die in seven days.

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[\[-\]Charles S](#) 6 points 2 days ago

If the conspiracy theory is legit. The photo on the wall doesn't mean its his room but more likely leadership in whatever secret decoder ring society it is... The type of photo and its positioning suggests a head of state type. Ever been to a government building there are photos of the president like this one everywhere.

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[\[-\]JJTheJetPlane5657](#) 6 points 1 day ago

I think the real question is what the hell kind of jails did hotel ZaZa base this room off of.

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[\[-\]who is JG](#) 5 points 1 day ago

I have tried several times this morning to book room 322. They won't let me. I just get passed around and eventually get passed to a generic voice box

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[\[-\]macchina](#) 7 points 20 hours ago\*

[I dug this up:](#)

DALLAS, Texas - At the Hotel ZaZa in Dallas, they called it art. But others said the large mural featuring an image of two armed Ku Klux Klansmen was offensive, and claimed the hotel ignored their complaints until the media got involved.

Hotel ZaZa is private property. That gives the owners the right to put up almost any art they choose.

But hotel patron Rodney Blu, who is black, asked why the management selected an image particularly shocking to African Americans. Blu said it depicts two generations of American terrorists: a Klansman and his son.

"I said, 'Hey, there's a picture of a Klansman out here? Why y'all got that up here?' They said, 'It's not what you think it is.' I said, 'How can I be mistaken? It's a picture of a Klansman and his son with shotguns.'" The image was a small part of a larger collage—clearly meant to shock. Blu said the mural also featured "ladies with their breasts exposed, men in ballet poses up against each other."

When News 8 went looking, the mural was gone, and the wall freshly repainted.

Blu said he and others have been complaining for three years with no effect—until he called the media.

ZaZa Hotel manager Matthew Green did not indicate when he received the first complaints about the mural. Contacted via e-mail, Green said that he "left a message with the owner of the hotel," who was "in China and unreachable" until Tuesday.

"Art is always subjective," Green added. "We would never intentionally offend anyone."

"It's not art; It;s not art," Blu said. "Those pictures were picked out for a reason, and this one was left there for three years—despite our complaints—for a reason."

The hotel said it will reinstall the mural after the offending photo is replaced.

Blu isn't asking for an apology. He said he got what he wants: the ability to walk through the halls of the hotel without being confronted by a disturbing image of armed Klansmen.

Pretty weird.

Edit: just realized this happened in Dallas not Houston

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[\[-\]rvgreen](#) 15 points 2 days ago

I read a book by a guy who used to work for a hotel/casino in vegas. He said that they had a strange little room that was too small to be a proper hotel room and they had no use for it. He said put a bed in there anyway and make it up live a love nest. Pink walls soft lighting, lots of pillows. They used to offer it to couples who looked like they were on romantic breaks. The point was that even though most people wouldn't like it it did appeal to some and so they could make money on it.

I'd guess this is a similar deal. They probably offer it to people who look a bit goth/metal.

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[\[-\]JeepCJ](#) 26 points 2 days ago

Ok, but why the pic of the old guy?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 7 points 2 days ago

that would make sense - it's unlikely that the building would exactly match a floor plan layout for rooms unless it was built to be a hotel. This would be one of those city tours I would pay for ( see all the hidden keyhole rooms in hotels ).

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[\[-\]JustNoFux2Give](#) 12 points 2 days ago

Goth/metal guy here. Would rent this room in a fucking heartbeat.

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[\[-\]ModernDayMe](#) 12 points 2 days ago\*

Ok here I go..

The Number 322 is a Reference to a secret society known as.. Skull and Bones at Yale University and has many rich and political members such as George Bush Jr. and his father, John Kerry and other elites.

What does the number 322 have to do with Skull and Bones? No one knows really BUT it's the number above the Door at the Skull and Bones secret society at Yale University Pictured [HERE](#)

and has some sort of secret meaning, a code of sorts they live by.

[HERE](#)

you can watch Tim Russert ask George Bush Jr. and John Kerry about their affiliation with Skull and Bones and mention the number 322.

Now, seeing as people have pretty much found that the guy in the picture is Jay Comeaux, who was a former big shot over at the Stanford Financial Group, he's probably rich with political ties and seeing as there are tons of Skulls in the room, 322, we can pretty much come to the conclusion that he is a member of Skull and Bones.

Mystery solved.

Wiki:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull\\_and\\_Bones](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull_and_Bones)

Skull and Bones Logo with 322:

[http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/41/Bones\\_logo.jpg](http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/41/Bones_logo.jpg)

George H.W Bush and other members with the Skull and 322 Logo:

[http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/4a/Skull\\_and\\_Crossbones\\_c1947%2C\\_GHW\\_Bush\\_left\\_of\\_clock.jpg](http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/4a/Skull_and_Crossbones_c1947%2C_GHW_Bush_left_of_clock.jpg)

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[\[-\]Dballmein](#) 16 points 2 days ago

That creepy mirror above the bed scream's , "i'm recording you secretly" but other than that i was expecting more when i checked room out. I have had more "gothic" rooms. BTW most of the art was pretty good and i wouldnt call it uncommon

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[\[-\]Youre awesome so i](#) 10 points 2 days ago

I wish he had lifted up the bed. I wonder what kind of kinky toys or hooks are available when the mattress is raised to the wall...

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[\[-\]lucaswarm](#) 7 points 2 days ago

Who puts their marlboros above the mirror?

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[\[-\]go\\_fly\\_a\\_kite](#) 4 points 2 days ago

On an exoteric level, 322 relates to Aristotle and is used as reference by many secret societies.

33 is the number that enlightens the brother. go home and figure it out...

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[\[-\]gemfountain](#) 4 points 2 days ago

does anyone here read Stephen King?? This sounds very similar to a recent short story of his...where a paranormal author spends a night in an off limits room. Did it have a phone?
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[\[-\]BranfordBound](#) 8 points 2 days ago

The one they made into the movie, 1408, with John Cusack?

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[\[-\]kylejack](#) 5 points 2 days ago

So Benji Homsey and Jay Comeaux are lovers?
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[\[-\]usenrame typo](#) 4 points 2 days ago\*

My preschool had a room with 2-way mirrors (it was in a high traffic area of the church so the idea was that the "mirrors" would allow parents and others passing through to check in on their kids without constantly distracting the kids, while the kids mostly saw their own reflections). If you've never seen something like this in real life then you probably operate under the preconceived notion that one side is a perfect or near-perfect mirror while the other side is transparent which really isn't the case. They work a lot like sunglasses in the sense that the relative difference between the lighting intensity on both sides determines how reflective the surface appears. If you cover the area around your eyes and put them up to the "mirror" side you can see through. This is not to suggest that this ISN'T a 2 way mirror into another room, but because of this underlying principle 2 way mirrors appear a bit more dull since some light can "leak" through from the non-mirror side and interfere with the virtual image created on the mirror side. This would also be useless if the mirror side were dark in the sense that it would be akin to wearing a pair of dark sunglasses and looking in a dark room. If the supposed room on the non-mirror side were completely dark then you could conceivably end up with a mirror that appears this reflective on the mirror side, but it would only work under specific conditions.

TL;DR maybe a 2 way mirror
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[\[-\]theblueberryspirit](#) 6 points 19 hours ago

Let us know if you get the cash! My bet: fake
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[\[-\]sirgregero](#) 4 points 2 hours ago

Floor plan is shown over at Boing Boing
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[\[-\]killinemsoftly](#) 9 points 2 days ago

Image 13, anyone know why the TV looks so different in the reflection? I know sometimes pictures make TV's look weird, but there's a very distinct pattern there and I just found it very odd.
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[\[-\]PK73](#) 23 points 2 days ago

He used the panoramic feature on his phone/camera, where you have to physically turn the camera to capture everything. The tv image changed between the time from the mirror to the actual tv.

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[\[-\]TattooedLadette](#) 6 points 2 days ago

This room just looks like a staff bedroom or something I think. Doesn't seem especially creepy to me?
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[\[-\]cew0719](#) 11 points 2 days ago

Your mother is Wednesday Addams?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 10 points 2 days ago

Compared to the rest of the normal rooms at ZaZa it's strange.

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[\[-\]hicklander](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Posted the link on their FB page asking for some insight..

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[\[-\]MrSquigles](#) 6 points 2 days ago\*

Pic 14. That TV is off, right? Because I definitely see a creepy figure, and no apparent source of reflection. That's when it goes from "weird decor" to "Oh, shit, why didn't I bring any fire?"

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[\[-\]carlosnorris](#) 7 points 2 days ago

It's a reflection of the painting displayed in Pic. 3.

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[\[-\]zipstack111](#) 8 points 2 days ago

Reddit style journalism fucking amazes me everytime it happens. From on epicture, and nothing relating to that guy, yall put out some completely relevant and well cited information. Kudos. Whats the name of the Hotel and where is it exactly? Im gonna call it and ask about the room

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[\[-\]buckiaz](#) 4 points 2 days ago

With the help of [/u/waffleninja](#) , I figured out who the guy is in the picture above the room: name is Jay Comeaux. Here is Google Images proof:

<http://www.google.com/search?q=Jay+Comeaux,&um=1&ie=UTF-8&hl=en&tbm=isch&source=og&sa=N&tab=wi&ei=VeliUYXQOers2gWP94GoDg&biw=1366&bih=643&sei=WuliUcuzFsTi2QWZx4GgBA>

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[\[-\]vpustote](#) 7 points 1 day ago

Has anyone tried searching for the images in google? Here is what I have found:

<http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>

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[\[-\]bringbacksheed](#) 6 points 1 day ago

Looks like the bed is definitely being held up by the chains. Take a look at the angles of both chains (about 45 degrees) and then look at the picture of the bed, it appears to be floating as if it was being held up by the chains.

The weirdest thing here is the fact that the bed appears to hinge back on the same wall the mirror is on. If the mirror is in fact 2-way then the bed would likely block the field of view from the "viewing room." What's beneath the bed? Unfinished concrete flooring. This could very well be when the kill occurs.

I realize the last part is outlandish but going with the 2-way mirror theory, I believe it is plausible.

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[\[-\]MrShiftable](#) 8 points 2 days ago

[On picture 13](#) the TV doesn't show the same screen in the mirror..

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[\[-\]4a4a](#) 26 points 2 days ago

Panorama with iPhone. It had time to change.

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[\[-\]kayjosephbruno](#) 5 points 2 days ago

Wonder if the reason the room is smaller is because there's another room behind that mirror...

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[\[-\]breeyan](#) 3 points 2 days ago

I still wanna know..

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[\[-\]GivePhysics](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Commenting for followup.

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[\[-\]cooljammer00](#) 3 points 2 days ago

How long until the Streisand Effect?

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[\[-\]YachtRockRenegade](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Have I seen too many movies, or are floor plans for everything available at the local permit office?

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[\[-\]Gnagus](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Looks like hotel's spokeswoman gave a statement to the Houston Press, she is calling it "one of the hotel's theme rooms -- it's called Hard Times, and it's a play on a jail experience."

([http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel\\_zaza\\_secret\\_room\\_creepy.php](http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel_zaza_secret_room_creepy.php))

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[\[-\]callmethecat](#) 3 points 2 days ago

He took the time to plug in his laptop and everything before he decided that maybe this room wasn't right. That's pretty ballsy.

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[\[-\]Librabomb](#) 1 point 2 days ago

No one else suspects that there is another room on the otherside of the brick wall and thats a two way mirror?

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[\[-\]sleepotyping](#) 1 point 2 days ago

ive been to zaza. the room was small and the art was weird. i dont consider this strange.

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[\[-\]Mcnasby](#) 4 points 2 days ago

I still think it's a sex dungeon.

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[\[-\]Pwninator](#) 3 points 2 days ago

I love that online news articles now reference Reddit as FACT.

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[\[-\]JaumeBalager](#) 3 points 2 days ago

I'm guessing the power strip by the bed is for more than just plugging in the ol'cell charger. Execs with a regular fetish habit demand the best accommodations.

The picture of Jay Comeaux is in jest.

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[\[-\]TheTruthWasOutThere](#) 3 points 2 days ago

How did the hotel move your friend? Did they give him a different room key and leave him to move his own stuff? Or did they send a bellhop to meet him at the room?

Or did they accompany him to the room and help him move his stuff to a new room?

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[\[-\]hash\\_tagger](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Not going to read all the comments but it's this so forgive my laziness: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull\\_and\\_Bones](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull_and_Bones)

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[\[-\]Taco\\_Futures](#) 3 points 2 days ago\*

Im pretty sure ZaZa had/has an upscale escort service (or something along those lines), I have heard that rumor in Dallas at least. Maybe they allow you to buy or rent themed rooms like this upscale dungeon theme?

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[\[-\]Norton006](#) 3 points 2 days ago  
How has no-one realised this could very well be an Oldboy styled hotel prison!
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[\[-\]Agnostalypse](#) 3 points 2 days ago  
"It's definitely a wacky experience for someone who's looking for that feel," said Robinson.  
Greatest PR guy ever.
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[\[-\]codesign](#) 4 points 1 day ago  
Can't find a Benny H anywhere as far as an artist goes, or family member, employee, or yale attendee.  
I did find a [Benji H](#) who runs the management company that owns the hotel, you can look at his pic it may be relevant.  
The decorations are [Cheap](#) which I don't think a company known for expenses would do if they were having their executives stay there, more like a room designer.  
The lamp covers the TV (may have been moved for your friends laptop) but the focus of the room is clearly the bed which is uncomfortably placed near a possible two way mirror and anchored with chains.  
This is clearly meant to be a den of inequity, I'm not sure if for pleasure of a younger high-ranking staff member or for leverage against invited guests.
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[\[-\]breeyan](#) 4 points 1 day ago  
Can we get a ZaZa houston employee AMA?
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]Fuego 9000](#) 3 points 1 day ago  
You all realise those aren't real bricks on the wall right? That's just decorative. It wouldn't be hard to line up with the mirror and embed the mirror into them.  
Of course a two way mirror makes a more interesting story.
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[\[-\]Random5784](#) 3 points 1 day ago  
I was wondering, if this room was to be built in a hotel, someone that works at the hotel would have to approve it. Probably someone important to either not question its purpose, or to be a part of it. From what I could find from google, Charles Givens from Oklahoma is the founder of ZaZa hotels. I saw he is partnered with a Jeff Records. It's not clear from the info I saw, but it might be the same G. Jeffrey Records Jr. that CEO of MidFirst Bank and part owner of the OKC Thunder. Can anyone find any info on these guys. Ties to Jay Carmeaux, college affiliations, or frat membership?
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[\[-\]puckout](#) 3 points 1 day ago  
Am I shadow banned? Can anyone see me?
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[\[-\]Im Tripping Balls](#) 2 points 1 day ago  
Secret sex dungeon for corporate executives! I'm not a corporate executive but would totally bang my sweetie in there <3
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]petethesparky](#) 3 points 1 day ago  
I don't think that TV gets much use. Who the hell puts a lamp in front of a TV like that?
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[\[-\]DirigibleBehemothaur](#) 2 points 1 day ago  
Commenting so i can find this later. And I'm too idiotic to work my phone app
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]elephantgoeswest](#) 3 points 1 day ago  
Here is a strange article about Jay Comeaux that mentions him hanging out with Faye Dunaway and Sarah Ferguson.  
<http://www.chron.com/business/article/Scandal-plagued-Stanford-rarely-visited-Houston-1538944.php#photo-1138260>
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[\[-\]phifrom5](#) 1 point 23 hours ago

Has anyone noticed that in the second to last picture, the image on the TV and the reflection of it do not match?

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[\[-\]MrSleew](#) Downtown 4 points 22 hours ago

Panoramic picture; that's a few combined shots. The tv was just on a different commercial.

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[\[-\]mmofan](#) 3 points 22 hours ago

"Hard Times" indeed

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[\[-\]mentallo](#) 3 points 21 hours ago

What about other hotels? What do their rooms 322 look like?

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[\[-\]Codiogoeshard](#) 4 points 19 hours ago

Anyone see the new pic posted

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[\[-\]Shyssiryxius](#) 3 points 17 hours ago

About the money transfer... Is he a Nigerian prince??? lol

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[\[-\]treesonfire](#) 3 points 14 hours ago

Houston, we have a sex dungeon.

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[\[-\]negative3kelvin](#) 3 points 12 hours ago

When a candidate for the secret societies is aspiring to power, the society must ensure his allegiance, his compliance with their demands. Before they grant him the true initiation and access to power, he must grant them reigns... More than an oath, he will participate in supplying proper blackmail material. While on business in Houston, this particular room is one way to do that.

Look at how the mirror overlooks the bed... this isn't just for other parties to watch, this is to photograph and film the prospect as he does career and family ruining activities while his face is clearly visible. He will keep the society's secrets, and he will follow the society's instructions.

That's my theory, anyway. :-) Really neat mystery!

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[\[-\]nutbal](#) 5 points 2 days ago

this will probably get buried but i'm a hotel manager.

it's most likely a management suite, a suite that a general manager who would stay overnight on property. they are sometimes called resident managers

i was a resident manager for 2 years. i lived in a "secret" room that wasn't accounted for in hotel inventory, had no visible room number, but was halfway down the hallway with the rest of the guest rooms.

most hotel have management suites as most hotels will have managers on property 24/7. management suites are found more often in full service hotels.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 8 points 2 days ago

that doesn't jive with the official statement from the hotel ( see edit 2 in the parent)

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[\[-\]Mr\\_Kancho\\_Chimp](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Almost certainly found a dungeon. Good job.

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[\[-\]someguynamedjohn13](#) 4 points 2 days ago

No doubt someone paid to have such a room built and made available and it's more than likely the man on the wall. It is unbelievable to most middle class people what rich and extremely well connected people can have made. No doubt this getting out will hurt his career and his family.

Now that this is on the internet it's just a matter of time before the local media pick up the story and this man has to go around faking apologies and finding a new place for his extracurricular activities.

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[\[-\]Cuntflakes](#) 4 points 1 day ago

Seriously I would have stayed in that room and fucked shit up trying to find out the secrets. Busted that 2 way mirror, tested if the room is soundproof, tested the chains, windows. opened up the vents checking inside the walls, look for blood on the concrete. Is the door locks similar to the other rooms, how about the adjacent rooms, go knock on those doors. Not everyday you get to spend a night in some freaky deaky sex dungeon that is quite possibly run by elite underground financial bankers.....

When they notice their "mistake" and come to change my room, try and keep it, tell them you enjoy it, refuse to leave. Hell take that dudes picture with you.

Maybe even set up a hidden camera in the room or in the hallway leading to it so you can later observe who the next patron is....

Then maybe contacted the police, but I definatly would do my own investigation prior and whore the shit out of it for karma :)

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[\[-\]WhopperlessT-Rex](#) 4 points 2 days ago

OP, you stumbled into a rape dungeon my friend. There's probably a camera and room behind that mirror where the guy would have his friends record the entire thing. *shudder*

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[\[-\]mzm3](#) 2 points 18 hours ago

We've already met.

There is no longer an offer. Thank you.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 13 points 17 hours ago

How can you confirm? I don't believe we have met. And there never was an offer.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 6 points 12 hours ago

Doubt we have met. And doubt that your offer was legit. Regardless - meet mr on Monday for a drink at the monarch.

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• [parent](#)

[\[-\]quantummufasa](#) 3 points 17 hours ago

nothing but a troll, *yawn*

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• [parent](#)

[\[-\]DrMcDr](#) 8 points 17 hours ago

Sweet! That means OP wont have to delete this awesome post. If something fishy is going on here, all of this great reddit detective work needs to stay accessible.

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[\[-\]soitgo-gos](#) 3 points 2 days ago

as much as I want to jump on the conspiracy theory bandwagon. (Not sarcasm. I love me a good conspiracy) I think if it really was a two-way mirrored sex/torcher/voyeur for the rich room, than they would never. ever. make the mistake of renting it out. If it was for the rich powerful, and perverse, I feel like they would have a list of names who stay in said room. If it was that sinister I think they'd be more on top of their shit.

I think it's probably just a room for the owner/manager/people who work there, and we're not supposed to know about it because it's the whole fancy establishment keeping up appearances thing... anyone else agree??

edit: spelling

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[\[-\]AdolfJesusHitler](#) 2 points 1 day ago

You are merely speculating with nothing to go on. You don't know how their reservation system works. It could be easy to mistakenly rent a room that isn't supposed to be rented. You have nothing to go on. Yours was the most worthless comment in this entire post. Feel ashamed.

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• [parent](#)

[\[-\]Nakadai](#) 3 points 1 day ago

somebody give Frank Black a call, we need him to investigate this !!

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[\[-\]AngelsWithFilthySoul](#) 0 points 1 day ago

no doubt in my mind that there is someone behind that mirror watching

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[\[-\]mymarrowsjustlow](#) 3 points 3 days ago

So you found my personal sex dungeon. Well played, sir.

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[\[-\]MatterSaves](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Illuminati satan worship room. For when dark leaders come to town. I have stayed in such a room in Virginia by accident the same way. I worked in hotels for eight years and I have heard of hotels that have such facilities. The hotels have guests that have particular beliefs that require them to accommodate. -\m/

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[\[-\]trichomesRpleasant](#) 1 point 1 day ago

It almost seems like not just a sex dungeon, but maybe a room where people are sacrificed? With the heavy duty chains, seemingly blood-stained floor near the edge of the bed, the creepy pictures and it's room 322 to tie it all together.

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[\[-\]WhiskeyR](#) 1 point 1 day ago

I don't know, what seems more likely: human sacrifice or the owner of the hotels personal theme room where his original paintings are displayed? If human sacrifices were going on there, I seriously doubt they'd be accidentally booking people into the room. Seems kind of amateurish.

Has anybody suggested cannibalism yet? Maybe this should be on Ancient Aliens, since everything else without a good explanation gets attributed to Aliens.

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[\[-\]Imagnicity](#) 1 point 1 day ago

LOI, Benji! You're a hoot!

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[\[-\]bp blew up the gulf](#) 3 points 17 hours ago\*

joelikesmusic, you've entered the rabbit hole.

The interpretation of the specialty room is the correlation of power and wealth with bizarre, kinky, likely illegal sexual thrills. Selected men in power within the fraternity-like hierarchy thrive on the sexual thrills through the indulgence of taboo, even for esteemed men of impeccable repute and high stature.

They depend on the sworn secrecy as the modus operandi to engage in bizarre activities only the men and some women whose power are conferred on them will have the carte blanche to commit, outside the boundary of the law, with emphasis on absolute secrecy.

This is not unlike the workings of the Illuminati, such as Bohemian Grove and Skulls & Bones with the specific number 322. The depraved ideals of the Illuminati is why Stanley Kubrick sent the [message](#) about the existence of the secret society and its implied power that influence the global politics and power structure (i.e. Committee of 300, Council on Foreign Relations, Trilateral Commission, and Bilderberg Group).

The room with the peculiar designs is the influence of the Illuminati. It controls those who seek sexual thrills only to be blackmailed to maintain silence, and puppeteer by control through blackmail to do the Illuminati's bidding. (Hence the term "honeypot entrapment")

Absolute secrecy among the powerful with access to political and economic power, including controlled media, is how the Franklin Scandal was covered up, with the order from the top to destroy all extant copy of the documentary film which reveals sexual abuse of kidnapped children within the circle of power that somehow [survived](#).

Sexual kink, in particular the bizarre (BDSM, grotesque environment) and the horrific (torture, mutilation, sexually motivated murder), is one of the intoxicating allures among certain insiders who has the means of wealth and power to indulge in the taboo without fear of consequences that would tarnish their carefully constructed public images, including the claim of Christian religion faith.

Richard Nixon has something [unflattering to say](#) about the strange going-on of the Bohemian Grove, which is probably associated with the Illuminati headquartered in London (the Rothschild Family).

The power elite's ultimate goal is the establishment of the New World Order.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 4 points 17 hours ago

Yeah. Tldr

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[\[-\]initials\\_games](#) 2 points 2 days ago

This is creepier than most creepy films.

Nice work OP.

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[\[-\] fuck-you](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Bed is covered with anal juice. Note to self: shower next morning.

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[\[-\]Skwomp](#) 3 points 2 days ago

322 is the number of the skull and crossbones society. Just saying.

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[\[-\]Gritsen](#) 0 points 2 days ago

The Great Northern?

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[\[-\]tacodeathfart](#) 1 point 2 days ago

crazy cool shit

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[\[-\]lewlew00](#) 1 point 2 days ago

goiters are never sexy.

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[\[-\]Eye8urMom](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Probably the managers own room, off the books. No rent, 1 minute walk to work and no taxes. It's not a sex room, just some dark interior design. I'd rock it all day man.

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[\[-\]Derklan](#) 1 point 2 days ago

minus the creepy pics and cold floors, i actually really like the look of the room

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[\[-\]johnnyfukinfootball](#) 2 points 2 days ago\*

A friend of mine works there who would know about this room, but I think it would be creepy to call her out of the blue just to ask her about it. Maybe next time I run into her.

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[\[-\]LeMisery](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Could be part of a film set.

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[\[-\]\[deleted\]](#) 2 points 2 days ago

This is the hotel managers home away from home.

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[\[-\]gentimmy](#) 2 points 2 days ago

FYI: Both Hotel ZaZa Houston and Dallas are classified as "Luxury Art Hotels." This experience provides an opportunity to stay in a suite with a personalized theme.

This may be a privately owned room

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[\[-\]akureiokami](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I would love to stay in such a hotel room. <3 And I am in no way some worshipper of satan. It just looks very cool to me.

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[\[-\]horsekateer](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Could it be a room that a person lives in? I don't really know how that works with hotels.

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[\[-\]unibomber223](#) [Energy Corridor](#) 2 points 2 days ago

A friend of mine that works there said this: It's called hard times it's the last possible room to sell kinda crazy room

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[\[-\]Drvmstdsy](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Could've been some sort of Voodoo Room

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[\[-\]cag2332](#) 2 points 2 days ago

If its a sex room I hope that's a two way mirror

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[\[-\]Arkeband](#) 1 point 2 days ago

No one thought to use a blacklight...?!

The one hotel room that you'd probably want to see what's all over the walls.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 7 points 2 days ago

I don't carry a blacklight when I travel for work. Or ever for that matter.

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[\[-\]mjdim](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Okay so apparently it is one of the hotel's themed rooms called Hard Times. Still kinda odd though

[http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel\\_za\\_za\\_secret\\_room\\_creepy.php?page=2](http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel_za_za_secret_room_creepy.php?page=2)

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[\[-\]thebrucewayne](#) 1 point 2 days ago

It's Oldboy IRL.

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[\[-\]johnsonrod](#) 2 points 2 days ago

cozy if you're hannibal lecter

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[\[-\]blueshirt21](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Secret Dogs!

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[\[-\]jeepersthejaguar](#) 2 points 2 days ago

jay comeaux. <http://www.bauer.uh.edu/dls/speakers/comeaux.htm>

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[\[-\]MiyamotoKnows](#) 2 points 2 days ago

The hotel number's significance, the skull and crossbones art and the fact that there is a portrait of an executive who helped the ultra rich hide money in off shore accounts is too much to be a coincidence. This is skull and crossbones. Perhaps a sex room for prostitution, hopefully not more.

Note the dual art with skulls. How does that support the story of the room being made to look like a jail? Also clearly the brick is faux with the mirror set into it. This is a false wall. Who would build a wall around a mirror? You hang mirrors. Note also the size of the mirror and the fact that it does not have a frame.

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[\[-\]Fugdawat](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Can anyone tell me why in the second to last picture, the TV looks different in the mirror than what's actually on the TV?

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[\[-\]Cormach](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Panoramic shot, so there's a time delay between the left and right sides of the picture.

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[\[-\]Sideways\\_X1](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Possibly there's just one dude who's got really weird taste and that's where he lives, possibly a groundskeeper or maintenance guy or something...

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[\[-\]Sirloinchops](#) 0 points 2 days ago

picture titled "view from chair in room". Tv has a walgreens ad but mirror shows tv with seemingly pulsating circles of varying colors surrounding a red circle. WHO WAS PHONE?

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[\[-\]captain ocelot](#) 1 point 2 days ago

They should film the American version of Old Boy in this place.

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[\[-\]Hidethemilkbone](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Looks like the W

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[\[-\]Val\\_Killmore](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Relevant article from Houston Press specifically about this post

[http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel\\_za\\_za\\_secret\\_room\\_creepy.php?page=2](http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2013/02/hotel_za_za_secret_room_creepy.php?page=2)

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[\[-\]dondraperdied](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Inadvertent "Zaza Pachulia" searches just went through the roof.

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[\[-\]Play\\_Crack\\_The\\_Sky](#) 2 points 2 days ago

322 is the number in the logo of the undergraduate senior secret society Skull and Bones of Yale University, in New Haven, Connecticut.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull\\_and\\_Bones](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skull_and_Bones)

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[\[-\]OMGjcabomb](#) 2 points 2 days ago

did you find the blue page and the linking book back to Myst

because I'm pretty sure Achenar used to live there

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[\[-\]marcosaurus](#) 0 points 2 days ago

Why is the mirror showing something different than what's actually on the TV in pic 13?

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[\[-\]germervalice88](#) 2 points 2 days ago

It reminds me of a modern day adaption of The Shining

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[\[-\]TheSkwer!](#) 0 points 2 days ago

Why does the TV screen in this [shot](#) not match the mirror?

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[\[-\]lithiun](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I mean it is a good looking room. Just an alternative style. This is just probably a private room for somebody who's interested in the creepier things. Or it might be a inspiration room. I hear of writers or other artist having special rooms they visit to draw ideas.

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[\[-\]Billism](#) Missouri City 1 point 2 days ago

Root comment.

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[\[-\]Random5784](#) 2 points 2 days ago

<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Story-behind-ZaZa-s-Hard-Times-room-AKA-the-4288247.php>

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[\[-\]fdubs312](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I am certain that this is the owner's fuck suite.

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[\[-\]diamond\\_account](#) 0 points 2 days ago

The floor is concrete because he's a freemason.

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[\[-\]AllwaysConfused](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Cool room to visit but I couldn't sleep there.

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[\[-\]doofinator](#) 1 point 2 days ago

The 2nd last image...the TV's don't look nearly the same. in the mirror, and non-mirror, they look way different.

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[\[-\]lousypanda69](#) 2 points 2 days ago

[Full story here.](#)

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[\[-\]AntitnA](#) 1 point 2 days ago

<http://m.urbandictionary.com/#define?term=za%20za%20zoo> check this definition of "zaza" out... Very fitting...

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[\[-\]Girлиндaytona](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Why didn't the hotel spokeswoman know immediately what the room is? Why isn't this themed room listed with the others in the advertising? Why did the hotel tell two people that the room is not supposed to be rented, then insist they move? If this is a jail theme, why isn't it decorated like a jail? Could it be that somehow the hotel clerk thought these two people were supposed to be in the room then realized they are not in on whatever the secret is? The oversized mirror is not within the theme and might be used for violating privacy because the room is smaller than normal and something is in the cavity behind the mirror. Might something unusual have gone on in this room but now it is not used for that purpose but the hotel doesn't want people like OP to speculate about it so the room has been pulled out of service? If this room isn't supposed to be rented, why is it listed in the room inventory on the software? This indicates it is supposed to be rented, but only to certain people. Why lose money on this room when it can easily be redecorated?

OP, let me give you some advice. Just two words to remember in the future: Hampton Inn.

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[\[-\]theresam21](#) 2 points 2 days ago

I work at a hotel and the most probable explanation is that one of the workers (manager, maintenance, housekeeper, owner, etc) lives there.

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[\[-\]yogurtmeh](#) 0 points 2 days ago

The Houston Chronicle just posted [an article](#) about room 322.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 3 points 2 days ago

yep. i edited the parent post to reflect this article. thanks!

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[\[-\]spookyandjasper](#) 2 points 2 days ago

The truth is out there.

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[\[-\]Hank Chinaski Lives](#) 2 points 2 days ago

I think someone was buried alive on the other side of that wall. à la the Edgar Allan Poe

tale:[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_Cask\\_of\\_Amontillado](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Cask_of_Amontillado)

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[\[-\]ghair](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Commenting to save. Hold fuck sticks this is creepy

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[\[-\]Sokid](#) 2 points 2 days ago

"Coots told us that this is in fact one of the hotel's theme rooms -- it's called Hard Times, and it's a play on a jail experience. (We'll note again it's not mentioned on the website, which lists and describes the other "theme" rooms.)

While it's a "compact" room, it has one of the hotel's largest balconies, which overlooks the pool area, she said. (The other side of the hotel features another compact theme room, called Ship's Cabin, which resembles a yacht and also overlooks the pool). She says neither room is secret or kept from being rented.

Coots also told us that, at one point, the company's president lived in the Hard Times room for two months, five days a week. We asked about the portrait of the distinguished, mustachioed gentleman, and she said she'd look into it."

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 6 points 2 days ago

OP (coots) will surely deliver. I'm skeptical of a hotel that has theme rooms that they don't advertise.

that guy's razor theorem likely applies here - this is probably some room they hold until they are absolutely sold out. But why the secrecy?

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[\[-\]Almighty Whitey](#) 1 point 2 days ago

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Here, a company employee confirms the existence of the room but says it's not a secret, although it's not mentioned on their website. It's not a sex room, just a jail themed room.

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[\[-\]Douges](#) 1 point 2 days ago

In the last photo, the reflection of what is on the TV doesn't match what is actually on the TV?

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[\[-\]bri3](#) 3 points 2 days ago

probably a result of the panorama feature of the phone/camera

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[\[-\]myredstapler](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Despite the fact I am engrossed in the intrigue of this, maybe it's just a play on the "Hard Times" idea such of a questioning room or something like that?

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[\[-\]katzenjammer](#) 0 points 2 days ago

Definitely something behind that brick wall, like the room next to it is where they hang out to watch from behind that fake mirror. The floor is concrete so they can easily swab up the cum/blood/feces/urine. A lot of creepy shit has taken place in this room while creepier people watch.... maybe even like the movie Hostel type stuff. Pretty stupid for someone to have access to be able to rent this room out on accident though.

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[\[-\]bigbadbush](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Does anyone know anything about the painting of the angry man? It looks like the artists name is BermyH. Anyone heard of him?

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[\[-\]notafartsniffer](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I actually like this room. A lot.

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[\[-\]thisremindsmeofbacon](#) 1 point 2 days ago

did he check around the mirror to see if there was a draft? dead giveaway for secret room

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[\[-\]perfectlysafepenguin](#) 1 point 2 days ago

"Coots also told us that, at one point, the company's president lived in the Hard Times room for two months, five days a week."

What?

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[\[-\]gorillas\\_finger](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Dressed for a film or photo shoot?

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[\[-\]thebeatsandreptaur](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Two things don't mesh here. Okay maybe its a managers suite, cool. Why wouldn't they say that? Also whats up with the weird picture of the dude?

Can any one identify any of the art?

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[\[-\]someonecallgeorge](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Someone hasn't red 1408.

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[\[-\]Actually a Doctor](#) 2 points 2 days ago

I drive by this Hotel on my way to work at the Med Center every day. It's such a nice hotel, I never would have thought this was going on there (if true). My wife and I have been meaning to have a "stay-cation" at ZaZa. Now I know which room to ask for (or not...)

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[\[-\]keepyourdignity](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I'm creeped out .. But in a way where I almost want to go there and do some investigating. Hm.

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[\[-\]LeisureLarry990](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Looks like a creepy pasta story that came true

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[\[-\]emperor000](#) 1 point 2 days ago

The Houston Press, whatever that is, just ran with this with no verification and sites reddit and says "dude" a lot?

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[\[-\]bulldogx86](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Wow...this post made it to the front page of [the chronicle]([www.chron.com](http://www.chron.com))

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[\[-\]AnomalyNexus](#) 2 points 1 day ago

clerk looked it up and said " that room isn't supposed to be rented.

[ZaZa director of public relations Kyra Coots.] says neither room is secret or kept from being rented.  
Yep. Totally checks out. PR people always tell the truth.

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[\[-\]chaelmarcelian](#) 0 points 1 day ago

If that's a double-sided mirror, and he just committed a fraud, he could be hiding all his money behind those walls. could be.

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[\[-\]breeyan](#) 0 points 1 day ago

I would've known something was up when I saw a fucking lamp completely blocking the t v

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[\[-\]bad2bone2212](#) 1 point 1 day ago

Maybe it's a viewing room for people who like to watch strangers have sex? Since the strangers would probably have no idea

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[\[-\]Bonegrinder](#) 1 point 1 day ago

Plot twist: This is all an Alternate Reality Game in promotion of The Skulls IV: Skullomania, starring the return of Paul Walker and directed by the dude that brought you The Fast and Furious.

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[\[-\]shawn102787](#) 1 point 1 day ago

<http://www.wikihow.com/Tell-if-a-Mirror-Is-Two-Way-or-Not>

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[\[-\]tuhmolly](#) 1 point 1 day ago

Whaaaaat

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[\[-\]Tantonev](#) 1 point 1 day ago

In the picture of the bathroom, to the left of the vanity lights it looks although there are two holes drilled in the tile on the wall. Could just be from construction, but with all the the other creepy stuff going around on this thread I wouldn't be surprised if something would be hidden behind them, or that they have some sort of alternative purpose..

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[\[-\]Neb24](#) 0 points 1 day ago

Has anyone noticed that in pic 13 the TV and the image of the TV in the mirror dont match? or am i just crazy.

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[\[-\]jellybeansfor tea](#) 0 points 1 day ago

that room looks awesome...

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[\[-\]thousandkneejerks](#) 2 points 1 day ago\*

I would think it's not Comeaux's sex dungeon, but more likely the sex crash pad of some rich kids, paid for by Comeaux. He pays for the place, in return he gets to come in the back room and watch through the mirror whenever he likes.

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[\[-\]Rarkal](#) 2 points 1 day ago

If this room is legit as the ZaZa spokesperson says, can someone in Houston book it and check out the room again, the mirror etc

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[\[-\]vankka](#) 1 point 1 day ago

Is this the zaza across from that Hermann Park? Damn I have stayed there before.

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[\[-\]clearglassmirror](#) 2 points 1 day ago

Does OP know what's in the picture frame on the cabinet?

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[\[-\]Brizzness](#) 0 points 1 day ago

Why is your laptop hooked up did you sleep in it?

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[\[-\]decaffee](#) 2 points 21 hours ago

Does anyone else get the feeling that this story will hit a dead end right here? This room has never gotten this much publicity before. So much so that they had to provide a cover story on their website, Facebook, etc. Even if there were more shady clues in there, wouldn't they have cleaned it up by now?

I wouldn't be surprised if they took down the picture of Jay Comeaux, put in new carpet, etc. and went all the way with their cover story and make it the new official "Hard Times" room. Or they could go the opposite route and be more careful, and never rent this room out to anyone else again.

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[\[-\] catmandu](#) 2 points 2 hours ago

True. Even if something was wrong with the room, no one will find out. They can turn it into a normal room and rent it to people. And apparently pictures of old men are a typical jail experience or why don't they mention it in their cover stories?

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[\[-\]JUSTIN HERGINA](#) 1 point 7 hours ago

id check that that mirror isnt a 2way

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[\[-\]HueyBosco](#)Montrose -4 points 3 days ago

To walk into that room, in this day and age, and NOT take photos? C'mon man.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 42 points 3 days ago

Op did surely [deliver](#)

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[\[-\]HueyBosco](#)Montrose 14 points 3 days ago

Wooooooow

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[\[-\]hicklander](#) 2 points 2 days ago

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[\[-\]sacroyalty](#) 2 points 1 day ago

Except (as of yesterday) this room wasn't on their website or rentable. So whoever called this "lady" she was a tad wrong. Why would a rentable room be secret and un-rentable I wonder?

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[\[-\]revhappy](#) 1 point 1 day ago

322 = Skull and Bones

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[\[-\]WhiskeyR](#) 2 points 1 day ago

The answers are pretty obvious, after reading through most of the this.

The paintings are painted by the owner. Benji Homsey. He likes Skulls and weird things, as someone proved earlier in these threads. He lived there for two months at one point (according to the Houston Press). It is his personal room and that is why they don't rent it out.

The only thing that is at all unexplainable is the photo of Jay Comeaux. That is weird, but doesn't make it a high society sex room. The whole two way mirror thing is pure speculation and everyone here seems to take it as fact.

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[\[-\]Cusword Expert](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Sex Dungeon off campus? Ain't nobody got time for that!

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[\[-\]samlauk](#) 2 points 2 days ago

that's some freaky-deaky shit yo'.

I think the most unusual thing is that the room is "1/3 the size" of a normal room and has what could be a 2 way mirror ?

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[\[-\]topicalscream](#) 2 points 2 days ago

What's up with the laptop? The pictures show different stuff on it's screen, so who's using it?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 8 points 2 days ago

laptop was likely in use by my colleague while pictures were being taken. that or ghosts.

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[\[-\]ThaBomb](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Great, the creepy Skull & Bones sex dungeon is apparently haunted, too.

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[\[-\]vacotaco](#) 2 points 2 days ago

So I'm assuming it's for nefarious dealings?

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[\[-\]ruizscar](#) 4 points 2 days ago

The giant skull is a dead cert indicator of this.

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[\[-\]JDChesser56](#) 2 points 2 days ago

She got assigned the same room and the front desk called her and said she had to more

[screenshot from the article](#)

[link to the article] <http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>

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[\[-\]JDChesser56](#) 1 point 2 days ago

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They're response on FaceBook

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[\[-\]thisismydistraction](#) 2 points 2 days ago

i noticed the one painting was signed 'benny h', and i'm going with the idea that it is being used as a personal room. benji homsey (could easily be 'benny h') is the president of z resorts management/ zaza hotels. so it seems likely that this room is either his or someone close enough to him to have his artwork, and this person just has a more alternative or industrial sense of style.

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[\[-\]xjosex](#) 3 points 2 days ago  
good eye, I was also wondering about the art work. I was looking close at the other painting (the twins) and couldn't find the signature. That type of art work is really weird to have in a hotel
  - [permalink](#)
  - [parent](#)[\[-\]mcali5ter](#) 2 points 2 days ago  
Can Comeaux and Homsey be related due to business and are now friends?
  - [permalink](#)
  - [parent](#)[\[-\]theessjay](#) 1 point 1 day ago  
Would have been interesting if it could have been confirmed that it was a two-way mirror. One can easily do this by employing the two-way mirror finger test: <http://www.lolibrary.com/post/11768/two-way-mirror-test/>
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]TheTallGuy0](#) 2 points 1 day ago  
You're over thinking the brick thing, it's not a real brick wall, probably a tiled "brick" veneer. Thin slices of brick installed like tiles, grouted to look like a real wall. I've done tons. What modern hotel would have a structural brick wall inside a room? Probably none, unless it was a smaller, old school influenced boutique type place.
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]raisedbysheep](#) 2 points 10 hours ago  
Was the carpet ripped out because it was SOAKED WITH THE BLOOD OF UNTOLD VICTIMS?
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]TheDewd](#) 1 point 2 days ago  
I think I found [the inspiration](#) for the old man painting
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]BretMichaelsWig](#) 1 point 2 days ago  
This is so strange... the picture of the old guy on the wall puts it over the edge too.
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]droidpoo](#) 1 point 2 days ago  
I found this old article from someone who got put in this room, and later got called and switched out just like the story says  
<http://popculturenerd.com/2012/02/27/on-the-road-with-hilary-davidson>
- [permalink](#)  
[\[-\]eyemaks](#) 1 point 23 hours ago  
As some context, this hotel has a ton of themed rooms. I've been in at least 5 different ones.
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[\[-\]Ornithologist MD](#) 11 points 2 days ago  
The TV is a vampire.
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[\[-\]Kedyn](#) -3 points 2 days ago  
I have no idea what "ZaZa" means, but this just looks like someone decided to build a fucked up basement.
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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 4 points 2 days ago  
on the 3rd floor?
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  - [parent](#)[\[-\]akpak](#) 2 points 2 days ago  
Gosh, let me google that for you: [Hotel ZaZa in Houston](#)
  - [permalink](#)

- [parent](#)

[\[-\]Kedyn](#) 1 point 1 day ago

So someone decided to build a fucked up basement in a hotel. I still do not understand.

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[\[-\]akpak](#) 1 point 1 day ago

Then you've caught up with the OP! Congrats!

None of us understand why this exists, that's why there's a thread about it.

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[\[-\]res6iya6](#) -3 points 1 day ago

If you people would read the updates, it is not some "secret special room" it's a theme room, that ZaZa DOES rent out. "Hard Times" - It's a compact room, but has one of the largest balconies which overlooks the pool. I don't know why I am repeating this - Just read the fucking updates!

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[\[-\]EndDrugAndOtherWars](#) 3 points 23 hours ago

except if you go to the website with all the other themed rooms, it's not there. Fuck your article.

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[\[-\]Clobberella](#) 1 point 23 hours ago

The owner lived there for two months, it doesn't take a huge leap in logic to assume that during this time they removed the room from the website, and have yet to add it back on.

But you're right, it's way more interesting to pretend it's a crazy sex dungeon, so carry on.

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[\[-\]EndDrugAndOtherWars](#) 3 points 22 hours ago

Ur shitty pr piece doesn't say WHEN he lived there. And why would a rich owner of a swanky hotel live in such a shitty lil room? Not buying their story, and don't put words in my mouth I never speculated on the actual utility of the room.

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[\[-\]dafuq\\_dude](#) -12 points 3 days ago

Did a little research, couldn't find anything on it.

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[\[-\]Rock it Scientist](#) -1 points 2 days ago

wat.

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- [parent](#)

[\[-\]dafuq\\_dude](#) -3 points 2 days ago

I did a little research in that specific room in that specific location and I couldn't find anything. Go ahead, try.

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[\[-\]nirvanachicks](#) 0 points 1 day ago

Am I the only one who thinks that there is some kind of sexual oppression happening here? Somehow in some way? Why should this be considered weird? I mean, I do find it a bit strange to be completely honest but if I remove all the programming in my head I find really nothing wrong with it. Can not our sexual side be artistic given the chance? Can it be accepted in society as an art form rather than be mocked at on an internet forum? I mean obviously this guy(s?) have some fetishes. Hell we all do. As long as nobody is getting hurt who the hell cares. I don't know...

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[\[-\]jsnarf](#) 1 point 20 hours ago

Yes

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- [parent](#)

[\[-\]mitcthecrane](#) 0 points 21 hours ago\*

Am i the only one that thinks that this is NOT a conspiracy. First off what exactly is so creepy? A few skull pictures and some chains? You guys must be bored out of your mind if you think this is anything. Its a **themed hotel**, and here you have a **themed** room. OP said carpet looked unfinished

along with front desk saying it is not supposed to be rented out. Sounds to me like its simply a room that is not yet complete and was rented on accident. No dungeon, No slaves, No government. This is just a PR stunt and all of you are feeding it constantly. And if by some odd chance it is someones private room, who the hell cares? Lots of people have private rooms in hotels, and i am sure plenty of them are weirder than this. I know Reddit loves a good mystery but come on guys....

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[\[-\]WhiskeyR](#) 2 points 16 hours ago

No reason to let facts get in the way of a good story!

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[\[-\]ojavaNehThcaZ](#) 1 point 2 days ago

So are we never going to find out what's up with this room?

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[\[-\]FelixTheNomad](#) 1 point 2 days ago

If it weren't for that weird ass random jack layton looking dude and the chains, its actually kind if a eat room:p

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[\[-\]ClassyAssAssassin](#) -1 points 2 days ago

Statement from Zaza on a thread on their Facebook:

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[\[-\]Loud Snort](#) 0 points 2 days ago

A quick google search brings up an article from The Houston Times. It's not a secret room it's just a weird one they designed. There's another one on the same floor designed to look like a cabin on a ship.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 6 points 2 days ago

That was posted today because of this thread.

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[\[-\]brosefeld](#) 1 point 2 days ago

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[\[-\]kittyknows](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Was that posted recently?

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[\[-\]brosefeld](#) 2 points 2 days ago

Someone posted a link to this Reddit post on their Facebook page and they responded with that comment.

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[\[-\]OreoBabyDaddy](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Wow. This is amazing. ,322 IS significant.... the skulls just further that..

The mirror is there for a reason. Break it.

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[\[-\]TheWiredWorld](#) -1 points 2 days ago

So we know the skulls are there, we know the room number has an association with skull and bones society - a partitioned room with a viewing glass for some even creepier ass shit - a concrete floor for easy clean up - some really creepy art - what else?

Someone needs to get behind that brick wall.

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[\[-\]yomamasmuff](#) -2 points 2 days ago

I like it. Would stay there. Why hasn't anyone thought of a gothic hotel?

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[\[-\]asciibutts](#) -1 points 1 day ago

I've read all the comments... and I have the *weirdest* boner right now

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[\[-\]diagnosedADHD](#) -1 points 1 day ago

Concrete floor would be more convenient to clean...

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[\[-\]danrobson1](#) 0 points 1 day ago

The window looks like a two way mirror... wtf?

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[\[-\]pafpdd](#) -1 points 1 day ago

To me, looks like a room for staff, just in case they are booked & need to stay/ have some sort of emergency.

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[\[-\]karlungis](#) 5 points 1 day ago

Some sort of S&M emergency?

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- [parent](#)

[\[-\]powerthatbe1](#) 1 point 7 hours ago

lol

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[\[-\]moderatelybadass](#) 1 point 21 hours ago

I came back here (this thread) to check out some comment replies... Ended up looking at the pictures again for shits and giggles... On the last two pictures, did you intentionally place and frame those shots as they appear? Also, as panorama shots, are they multiple images together, or wide lens/single exposure? I ask because the tv and mirror reflections are particularly interesting. It seems like the room may be angled oddly, and not walled in a rectangle/ almost exact rectangle. Particularly of interest is the second to last image. (tv on) where the mirror's reflection of the tv is notably different than the image on the tv. Obviously, a typical panning action panorama shot would explain this completely, but it's still a very cool effect. I really like the very last image in this set because the skull panting seems to be reflected by the mirror, and then onto the tv, which looks amazing in this shot. I actually noticed it on the tv first, so I really got the effect. I would imagine that you noticed this and took your photos with it in mind, but it could certainly be a happy accident too. Anyway, thanks for posting these. As always, I hoard a little reticence and wariness when reading posts on reddit, but I also don't think veracity is the holy, un-followed law that many make it out to be on forums. I don't know if anybody gave you any of that crap, but I'm glad to read this, and view these photos. Have a good day, should you feel like doing so.

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[\[-\]PlatypusPatty](#) 1 point 16 hours ago

After looking at the pictures, I noticed that there was a chain on either side of the bed. At first glance, one might think the chains are to fold the bed against the wall. But then I discovered two inconsistencies to this theory. For starters, folding the bed up in the direction the chains seem to suggest that it would fold toward seems odd, possibly even counterproductive because it looks like it would partly or completely fold against the "mirror" next to the bed. Then, if one looks at the chains, one may note that the chains simply consist of a metal hook into the wall with a chain travelling from said hooks to the bed. If one were to attempt to fold this bed against the wall, it would fall back down if only those chains hold it up, and if the purpose of those chains were to put the bed on its side against the wall, the chains would not make a difference. Not only that, there seems to be no indentation in the wall in which the bed can fold into (with the "mirror" in the way of that indentation, anyway). I have come to the conclusion, which may or may not be true, that the purpose of those chains might possibly be to pull the bed up and there is staircase, hole, secret compartment, etc. of some sort under the bed. While this is only a guess, I can see little other use of the two chains. They could be used for some purpose during intercourse, but it would be hard to do this if the chains are latched to both the wall and bed.

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[\[-\]WhiskeyR](#) 0 points 16 hours ago

Or they could be decorative. You know, like something you'd use to decorate a theme room...

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[\[-\]PlatypusPatty](#) 1 point 16 hours ago

True. I didn't think about that. I could just be over-analyzing it.

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[\[-\]umadbro199](#) -1 points 5 hours ago

This kind of de-bunks all the theories. But then again they could be just trying to cover it up.<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Story-behind-ZaZa-s-Hard-Times-room-AKA-the-4288247.php#photo-4226310>

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[\[-\]shartmobile](#) 2 points 5 hours ago

\$1,000? Are you nuts? All things considered, that's some insane lowball offer that you're accepting.

Whoever is offering is obviously rich and used to easily manipulating the man on the street.

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[\[-\]mfskarpheidin](#) -6 points 2 days ago

I call shenanigans! The [image in the mirror](#) doesn't match what's on the actual TV!

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[\[-\]greany\\_weeny](#) 4 points 2 days ago

It's a panorama.

When you do that, only a section is taken at a time, so when the section with the mirror was taken, one commercial/show was on the tv, and when the phone got to the actual tv, something else was on.

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[\[-\]Kytro](#) 3 points 2 days ago

More than likely a stitched panorama shot

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- [parent](#)

[\[-\]JDChesser56](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Panorama with iPhone. It had time to change.

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[\[-\]wasserfall](#) 2 points 2 days ago

iphone panorama, you're not taking all the scene at once but moving your phone from one side of the room to the next slowly. The tv in the mirror and the tv on the wall will be different by a few seconds.

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[\[-\]zipstack111](#) 2 points 2 days ago

if it was taken with panoramic technology and the picture changed, this would account for the different images

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[\[-\]airborneANDrowdy](#) Galleria -2 points 2 days ago

Check mate!

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- [parent](#)

[\[-\]Word to the wise](#) -7 points 2 days ago

The hotel explained that it's one of their theme rooms.

Accepting that and dropping the subject would be a good choice.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 1 point 2 days ago

works for me. my curiosity is sated. I do find it odd that they don't advertise these rooms along with the rest of their concept rooms.

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[\[-\]The Icon](#) -2 points 2 days ago

<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Story-behind-ZaZa-s-Hard-Times-room-AKA-the-4288247.php>

Found an explanation for this

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[\[-\]Fasckira](#) 0 points 2 days ago

Fantastic publicity at any rate!

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[\[-\]nejaeden](#) 0 points 2 days ago

skull and bones. suprised this made the front page..

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[\[-\]navs412](#) 0 points 2 days ago

Hi, I found this article in Houston Chronicles about this room. <http://www.chron.com/life/article/Story-behind-ZaZa-s-Hard-Times-room-AKA-the-4288247.php>

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 3 points 2 days ago

yep posted in response to this thread. they even mention reddit in the article

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[\[-\]OneTimeUse20](#) 0 points 1 day ago

ZaZa, free advertising done right.

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[\[-\]Muffintoseehere](#) 1 point 1 day ago

Rich banker invests in hotel, gets picture on wall of creepy room.

Maybe creepy room is unadvertised because it is creepy and goes against the image the hotel is trying to portray. Maybe creepy room is like secret McDonald's menu items and only people in the know can ask for it. Maybe it's smaller than most rooms and is therefore not rented out to the public.

Maybe it's the owner's personal room and owner has a confirmed love of skulls. Maybe it's investors personal room.

Mirror over bed is probably related to sex. But two way? Nothing indicates two way. If you have a fake brick facade it only makes sense to leave a space for the mirror you're planning to put in.

This speculation is way over the top.

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 7 points 2 days ago

I don't agree that I posted it 'all over reddit' just in </r/houston> .

leave the hotel and it's arrangement to whoever [sic] wanted privacy - a hotel is a business. if it wants privacy for it's rooms, it shouldn't be a hotel. ( and I'm not sure why I'm anthropomorphizing a hotel ).

This is a room for rent in a business that rents rooms. The room stood out to me as unusual, so I asked those on the Houston subreddit if anyone knows about it.

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[\[-\]MarkusGageClarkus](#) -16 points 2 days ago

Uhm, should the police be alerted to this?

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[\[-\]crow1170](#) 6 points 2 days ago

Nope. Nothing illegal in it and it's not public property.

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[\[-\]powersthatbe1](#) 1 point 2 days ago

except the two-way mirror

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[\[-\]crow1170](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Which isn't illegal unless they rent out the which they rent out the room. They didn't. Not for long anyway.

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[\[-\]hicklander](#) 3 points 2 days ago

Why ?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I can't say there's anything criminal about the room - just seemed a little strange. Not sure it's a police matter.

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[\[-\]vaebris](#) 3 points 2 days ago

No, but you should call Sherlock Holmes.

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[\[-\]Mr\\_Zero](#) -2 points 2 days ago

Is this promotion for a new game or movie?

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 1 point 2 days ago

I'm hoping to buy the lego harry potter 5-8 sometime soon. I'm waiting for my son and I to finish book 4. That's the only promo I can think of. That and I like Jason Statham movies.

If that counts as astroturfing then I'm guilty.

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[\[-\]Obloblomov](#) -2 points 2 days ago

Here, someone's written an article on it. This should answer all those questions, and put to bed those conspiracy theories.

And yes, it is technically an article on this thread, but it has a load of info:

<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Story-behind-ZaZa-s-Hard-Times-room-AKA-the-4288247.php>

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[\[-\]shinylovesya](#) -6 points 2 days ago

Ah reddit making public what is not theirs to make public for years and counting. Cool post though.

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[\[-\]FuckYouWaymond](#) 1 point 2 days ago

The chains on the wall look like they're connected to the bed. So they might just be some sort of decoration?

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[\[-\]-xenox](#) 1 point 9 hours ago

1428 lol.

in all seriousness, why doesn't someone rent that room actually TRY to figure out whats behind the window?

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[\[-\]scarfire](#) 2 points 4 hours ago

hey all...some quick observations...they ripped the carpet out than painted the room...you can see black paint on the floor matching the black paint on the moldings....they had to remove the furniture to do it..then reset the room without finishing the floor...not something you would do if you really were renting the room out...which apparently they are not..no one can rent it now apparently and no one has rented it on purpose (as far as i can tell anyway) this along with the number of the room, the art work in the room, the picture of Jay, leads me to think it's a room for the Friar's club, a secret society at LSU where Jay went apparently....would also guess he's friends with Benji H. who likely is also a member of the club...oh and the owner of the houston cron. too, as they instantly provided a cover story...which imho doesn't hold water....pure conjecture but I would put money on it that a crime or several crimes were committed here

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[\[-\]sydheresy](#) 0 points 2 days ago

Where's this at? I want this room!

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[\[-\]joelikesmusic\[S\]](#) 1 point 2 days ago

Hotel zaza in Houston.

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