



Letter From the Lab

February is a threshold. As spring surfaces, we think of how so much of what shapes us begins quietly and in hiding, sensed before it's seen. As our chosen theme for this year, ETHOS Lab explores **occulted bodily knowing**. We turn towards the occult not as grandiose mysteries to be solved, but as practices of attunement to what has been obscured, hidden within us, or secreted away. These are the suppressed and ostracized practices, embodied intuitions, residues and premonitions that circulate beneath dominant infrastructures, that flicker at the edges of data and reason. We decided to express this year's theme as an internal dialogue: a conversation with ourselves, iterated across multiple sessions of automatic writing and revision. You can read it on our website, but we also wanted to share part of our reflections here:

While there are many kinds of hidden knowledge, there is a difference between the gatekeeping practiced by cabals that exoticize and obfuscate knowledge, and the safekeeping practiced by those who have had to cover over their knowledge to protect it from extraction and corruption. As our bodies are weighed under the unbearable force of the world, of information, can we turn to bodily answers for the questions we refuse to abandon? Can we tune into our inner authority - knowledge that is always-already collective and porous? The occult works against the grain of enlightenment by reminding us that not everything must be revealed; what is unknown is not an object to possess, a property yet to be claimed. The occulted invites us to dwell with what is not yet formed, with what must remain in shadow to grow.

upcoming events

- 11/3 (dis)connecting club @ETHOS LAB**
An indie webcrafting club that runs over 4 sessions this spring. This semester we will explore alternatives to G-Mail, Messenger, Spotify, Microsoft Office, and more! All while still leaving room for lightweight webcrafting. Sign up via disconnecting.neocities.org **14.00-17.00, OPEN TO ALL**
- 12/3 PITCH DAY @ETHOS LAB**
Our talented Junior Researchers will present where they are at with their projects and get feedback from lab members. **12.00-14.00, FOR LAB MEMBERS**
- 8/4 Film screening, save the date**
A visual "mixtape" on disability and care, curated as part of the Junior Researcher Program. More details to come.

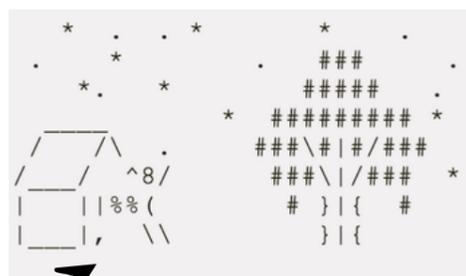
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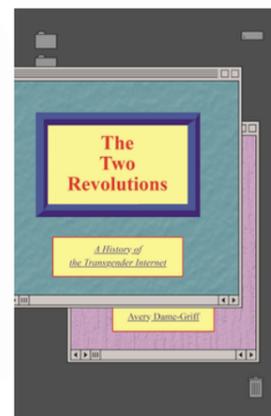
We continue our experimental tinkering with the Silver Reed LK150 during our next Wednesday co-work sessions. Open to anyone who's curious!

community bulletin board

Hi,
laserpilot.github.io/ is a little something that might interest the readers. And this cute indie website - www.yourworldoftext.com/ - to mark the occasion of my first ever newsletter contribution!
- Hanna



write to ethos@itu.dk to submit to the community bulletin board



Book of the month is The Two Revolutions by Avery Dame-Griff, a book about how the rise of the internet shaped transgender identity and activism from the 80s onwards. Find it in the ETHOS library :)

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