# cothe house of annetta monthly newslettera



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# Who are we? Our dreams How can ladd to the Rag? Work-in-progress

We are Aska, Anna, Anahi, Florence, Fran, Jemima. We are working together to build a community press at House of Annetta. House of Annetta is a home for spatial justice, based in an old building off Brick Lane in Tower Hamlets. Anahi is running out of space for her books. Baby publisher, community organiser, quietly working in performance. Anna mostly makes comics and prints on fabrics. Jemima is a silent partner. She makes performance and photographs. Florence looks after a bookshop in dalston, is a poet and print culture enthusiast. Fran is learning. Aska is interested in how the world around us is made-and-re-made, through words, workers, and material dreams. Fran and Aska co-steward House of Annetta, slow + dirty is the joint project of Anahi, Anna,

We're circulating this on paper ... because we are a printing press! And we want people to be able to interact with it in communal spaces. We want it to be an invitation into the community of the press. Practically, it will communicate whats going on here, with a regular calendar mapping all the planned events as well as reports, recipes and dispatches from the groups who regularly meet and organise here. We hope that the newsletter will initiate feed-back loops between all the people who work, organise and move through the house. We want to share conversations, record things that are passing, temporary, in the air (see the personals;)), spoken out loud, consumed · (see the recipes).

send your contribution + title to hoa.press@proton.me or post your article to the pin-board in the kitchen at House of Annetta. Small images and drawings. Word Count: 125-140 per column, you can have 2 if you really need it! Contribute to a regular section, such as rinse and repeat (social reproduction), rant about an issue related to spatial justice, advertise your workshop or new

group, do a call-out for mutual aid

resources, reflect on an event

which took place at the House.

We've been meeting since 13 May every other Monday at House of Annetta, we began by sharing materials, interests, cooking, eating, getting to know each other, a few show and tells. It's been a few months, 7 number of meetings. We've talked about what we all wanted from the press, how we all understood the different concepts that we hoped would underpin the press. terms like 'open access', 'feminist', etc. We've met with other solidarity printers (flip based in rotterdam, and nick based in bristol). We decided to prioritise time on the manifesto and our principles as a group before throwing ourselves into the runaway world of printing. So far we've been a press without printers, or publications...until now! The house of annetta kitchen rag issue zero is our first publication, announcement and introduction, hello!

monday tuesday wednesday thursday y sunday sit down said the chair clean off the cups said the table arrange your books said the bookshelves your workshop/meeting get cocking said the cooker here! email: pay what you feel ear acupuncture offered fortnightly on wednesday and washing up said the sink nfo@houseofannetta.org close me said the door healing practices and politics will be shared on thurs lie down said the bed just when she jumped up 2.30-4.30pm @dreaming.movements HOUSE OF ANNETTA A KITCHEN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER RAG FREE. open to all with migration background open to all with migration background 3.30pm -9pm press night 2.45pm ESOL class ESOL class 7) working on something about spatial justice?! come use the desk space! FREE. open to all with migration 8 background 6-9pm press night .15-2.45pm ESOL class FREE

### What's next?

We start here with our manifesto on the

kitchen rag (turn over to read!) and let the

press grow fractally out of it. We are

working on being an open-access printer

and working on what this means. Over the

first half of August the 2nd floor of 25

Princelet St will be renovated, the floor will

be fixed and ready to take the weight of

the printer(s), which we will hoist through

the window with a big pulley. First will be

the Riso printer, (thanks to dan the

riso-man) and belongs to Slow+Dirty

press) then guillotines and staplers, they

can come up the stairs, of course the

space will determine what the press is and

what comes out of it. but for now a big

space for a big newsletter. But really the

idea is that we are custodians and

technicians of the press, we can guide

and support people to print their own

material using whats in the print shop.

There's still a lot to be worked out and

tried out. This summer we'll be practicing

and learning and involving .... you?!

ext? Thank you to the many who came before, written and unwritten.

Annetta Pedrettit lived at 25 Princelet Street from 1980 to 2018. It was her life-work, and the space which made possible her life. The house was built in 1705 as a Huguenot silk merchants house. Over the years it's been a space for many people to live and work. Here, Annetta learned how to learn, escaping capitalist time. She invented a new system of bee keeping, was involved in national anti-crossrail organising, essex common land, local anti-demolition campaigns, carpentry, costume, herbalism, and set up Princelet Editions, a printing press producing 'living books'. Thank you to Fauve who helped us fill the place with the Carers' Common Room's furniture: trestle tables and benches and chairs.

<3 Flip from KIOSK Rotterdam <3 You gave us encouragement, practical advice, and so much knowledge and inspiration from your work in community spaces, caretaking and publishing.</p>

# maintenance

So far Daisy welded the back door, replaced some of the floor-boards so we don't fall through, and installed new dome rooflights in the back garden.

We got approval for a timber survey to take place later this month. There will be rot hounds - they are specially trained dogs with sensitive noses which can detect dry and wet rot a lot better than



### We're looking for:

Contributors: are you working on something at House of Annetta? do you have something to say about borders/ policing/ food systems/ housing/land?

offers & requests

Distributors: Do you have a spot you'd like to distribute the Rag? Take a stack with you and share with your friends, co-workers, neighbours.

### We can offer:

desk space for reading groups, writing circles, imagining the future, writing down what's terrible, toolkits for designing pamphlets and zines (soon).



We've come together to find out what it could be like to set up a feminist press founded on resource sharing, mutual support, companionship, comadreo, transmission, circulation, political alliances, multi-disciplinarity and collectivised knowledge that WE neep supports specifically DIY publications. \* Ways of publishing that are less professionalized and withouthier archy. mem ( MEPUBLISHERS B IMPULSE IS THE DESILE TO

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We are the means of production. ENCO

EQUALIZING

How can our projects be but interdependent?

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Ideas No

waiting for

PRACTICES

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Anna - when we've spoken about printing its often about diy projects, not a service. I would want it more for ppl to print their own stuff, i dont think we want to do printing orders.

Anahi - Pelican House is setting up a risopress for activist printing - supporting moveme building - how do we relate to the ecology of presses

Anahi - in those press nights everyone is open to come and do their own thing.

Wishlist of dream activities for activation field trip (to rotterdam!!)

☐ skill share L reading

☐ funding

manifesto writing

☐ making library of resources!!

[add your text here] · rinse and repeat: social reproduction

· spatial justice/land reform

o different diagrams

a things we are connect to [add your text here]

building work updates

· learning how to learn

o quote from someone in the house? · What have you learnt this month? [add your text here]

· recipe section

Who are Slow + Dirty?

Anahi - shall we make a whatsapp group or something -Anna - can we delay for now? and get one later? Florence - I agree

SKILLS TRANSM ITTEN

→ Open source

THROUGH DOING MAKING PROCESS HAPPENING WSAMESPACE

 What inspires us are Free from copyright

Transparency

Community production of knowledge

No singular authority or ownership

Everyone can pitch in

Free and open software

You will always know the inside of the software

Citation, listing who has modified the code

Co-creation

INVITATION ENEXT MONTHS
FOR TESTING SYSTEMS

→ Workload distribution burn out because it's all on one person