Velvetyne - Workshops Chart

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Velvetyne workshops are places for typo-graphic surprises, sessions that follow an experimental and documented approach, allowing for co-creation and co-education spaces to exist outside of beaten paths, guided by the openness of libre and open-source tools.

Our workshops question signs and language through typographic tools and methods that concern the collective. We aim to develop the right to err, to nurture amateurism, the "almost-there", risk taking, accidents and uncertain results. We consider typography and its signs as a living, malleable matter to explore and to share rather than a finished form. We don't teach, we take part into collective elaboration.

Commitments

Velvetyne members commit to

- Provide a work environment that respects the cultural diversity present within the workshop acknowledging the distinct realities and experiences that arise from such diversity.
- Take care of the spaces and tools entrusted to us during the workshops.
- Establish reporting tools and designated individuals to receive feedback on discriminatory and inappropriate behavior.
- Uphold environmentally conscious practices, respect ecosystems and all living beings, and strive to minimize our
 ecological footprint during our participation in the workshop (such as to opt for vegan meals, to reduce waste, and to
 choose low carbon transportation).
- Communicate in a caring and non-violent way with each other.
- Engage in self-reflection during conflict resolution and when revisiting any potential non-compliance with the elements outlined in this document.
- Respect participants' image rights, seeking their permission before taking and distributing images/videos from the workshops.
- Take prompt action in the eventuality of any breaches of this charter.

Participants commit to

- Be conscious of the cultural diversity present within the workshop and to recognize the different realities and experiences that exist due to this diversity.
- Communicate in a constructive and caring manner with teams and other workshop participants.
- Have practices that respect the environment and eco-systems and living things, trying as much as possible to reduce your ecological footprint during your participation in the workshop.
- Proactively provide feedback to the organizing team or use the tools put in place for listening and providing feedback if necessary
- Practice self-reflection when resolving conflicts and when receiving feedback from the team on possible non-compliance with the elements included in this charter
- Respect the image rights of participants, by asking them for permission to take and distribute images / videos from the workshops.
- Take care of the places and the tools entrusted to them during the workshops.
- Acknowledge that any content or work created during the workshop can be distributed by Velvetyne, integrated into the collective project, and subsequently released under a Libre and OpenSource license.

Institutions hosting us commit to

- Create an environment that celebrates and supports the cultural diversity present within the workshop, acknowledging the importance of the various realities and experiences stemming from it.
- Provide the tools and spaces necessary for the workshop to proceed comfortably, while ensuring their accessibility for all
 participants.

- Promote and facilitate ecological practices, such as recycling, offering eco-friendly transportation solutions, and providing vegan meal options.
- Establish clear and direct communication channels with the Velvetyne team, and responding promptly to any needs or concerns.
- Ensure the confidentiality of all personal information of participants and collaborators, and respecting preferences regarding the dissemination of images or videos.

In general terms, Velvetyne refers to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and strongly rejects any form of discrimination, namely: nationality, race, skin color, origin, ethnic or national background, age, gender, disability, religion or beliefs, marital status, birth, lack of economic means, political affiliation, current or future health status, physical or genetic properties, social background, sexual or romantic orientation, diet, gender expression, sex, language, or trade union beliefs. This list is not exhaustive, and we recognize that discriminatory acts or actions can take various forms and unfortunately occur at any time during, or outside of the workshop.

Signature and agreement