Omni Oakland Collective

- Mission: To embody a radical commoning of space and resources.
- How: Through a commitment to fostering creativity, access to knowledge, antioppression and social, economic & environmental justice
- Why: A lack of public spaces and common resources in a society largely controlled by state and market forces.
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- Composed of the Bay Area Public School, hackerspace Sudo Room, East Bay Food Not Bombs, dance collective Live Space, citizen science space Counter Culture Labs, the letterpress collective Timeless, Infinite Light, the monthly live variety show Oakland Nights… Live!, a community wellness center, and an emerging bookstore/cafe coop.

Themes (pick one angle, as appropriate to the audience)

- Building a diverse space that cultivates the expressive and creative facets of the human enterprise.
- A DIY space open to its own co-creation by the community that surrounds it.
- A neighborhood community center for art, craft, education and coming together.

What is the Omni?

- Reviving (renovate? redeem?) a beautiful old building with a troubled past; turning it into an asset for the whole neighborhood (more buzzwords: community center, multicultural, multi-modal, gathering place for the community,...).
- A collective of collectives in Oakland, California.
- A coffeehouse, a dance collective, a hackerspace, a free school, a citizen science laboratory, a slackspace, a stage, a ballroom that we hope to make available for community events, a commons reclaimed.

What are its goals?

- To create a publicly-accessible commons to be owned in a community land trust.

How can people get involved?

- Join us for our opening celebration and hearth-warming on June ____, 2014 at 4799 Shattuck in Oakland, CA!
- Join the mailing list to receive announcements about upcoming events: http://is.gd/1g9xCF
- Learn more at omni-oakland.org.
- We are in particular inviting groups and individuals dedicated to building commons-based spaces and resources in pursuit of knowledge, art, and social justice.

Soundbytes

- Free space for creative humans.
- Reclaiming the commons.

World salad:
solidarity, commons, community, spaceship, revolution,

Inspiration:

- https://sudoroom.org/wiki/The_Omni/Visions
- http://wiki.omni-oakland.org/w/Event:2013/11/20_Informational_Meeting_1#Visioning
- http://wiki.omni-oakland.org/w/Values
- http://wiki.omni-oakland.org/w/Founding_Document
- http://wiki.omni-oakland.org/w/2014/05/03_Omni_Hackathon/Internal_communications_/_working_groups_/_process
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