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MOTHERSHIP HACKERMOMS / Fact Sheet

About: Mothership HackerMoms is a non-profit, membership-based hackerspaced. It is the first-ever women's hackerspace, and one that is dedicated to mothers. Childcare is provided. The hackerspace is a 1,000 square foot storefront on the Oakland-Berkeley border that neighbors the indie, arty Temescal district.

Mission: Mothership HackerMoms gives mothers the time and space to explore DIY craft and design, hacker/maker culture, entrepreneurship, and all manner of creative expression - with childcare. Its first priority is to support the mother.

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Executive Team: Sho-Sho Smith – Founder, Karen Agresti - Marketing and Social Media, Samantha Matalone Cook - Community Outreach and Education, Hayden Sims – Operations, Shannon Nicholls - Fundraising

Membership: 20+ moms, 1 dad and 25+ infants, babies, children. Members are designers, scientists, artists, educators, programmers, photographers, writers, entrepreneurs, makers, welders, cooks, illustrators, therapists and professionals. Dads are also welcome.

Services: The space provides members on-site childcare during weekdays. It offers classes and workshops to the public in the categories of art/craft techniques, personal growth and practical parenting. HackerMoms is developing a business incubator for mothers and a Hacker Sprouts young kids program. HackerMoms workshops strive to address all aspects of a mother's life.

About Hackerspaces and Hacking: A hackerspace is a collaborative space where do-it-your-selfers share tools, intelligence and community. There are 1,000+ hackerspaces across the world in a rapidly growing open-source movement. Hacking means modifying an object or idea to fit personal needs, such a recipe, computer program or theory.

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