We are a group of designers and PhD researchers working in the Laboratory of Design and Anthropology of the School of Industrial Design, at the State University of Rio de Janeiro.

Coming from different regions of Brazil, our research converges on the understanding that design can be an important political device, especially in the struggles for fundamental rights in Brazil.

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