



A modern day pirate girl tale – personal data is the new treasure chest of gold.

About

In today's world most of us engage with information networks on a regular basis leaving a trail of clues about our existence and our world. We communicate with network agents when we use Facebook, loyalty cards and location tracking, willingly leaving digital footprints in our wake.

Nancy Mauro-Flude is an artist and provocateur whose work lies somewhere in the space between performing arts and computer science. Her latest project is called **Divination** and will be installed in an empty goods shed in Dark Mofo's – **Dark Park**.

The work has been in development for the last three years and links the arcane traditions of pirate codes and conduct with the modern relationships we have with data and networks that are both mysterious and communal. The work has two components with a live performance and ongoing installation that offers the viewer an opportunity to reflect on 'what is actually at stake when a networked entity is given control of so-called private data'.

Nancy has been researching pirate custom and culture from the nautical era of pirate queens like Grace Ó Máille and Ching Shih to Edward Snowden and WikiLeaks and regards personal data as the new treasure, with large corporation's desire for personal data increasing as the price of gold drops.

The *Divination* installation will be a glorious shipwreck of a Pirate Queen with invisible network traffic projected as constellations by which to navigate. Audiences will be able to communicate with non-human performers (chat-bots) within the space and receive ghost-like messages or signals from the unseen.

Nancy will launch the shipwreck with a maiden voyage performance at 6:00 pm on 10 June. Audiences are encouraged to *opt in*:
<http://enter.divination.cc>

If you find a pirate girl free WIFI node in and around the water front

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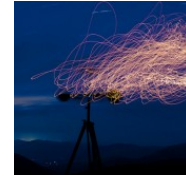


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The ongoing live installation will trawl through a sea of data – for the duration of Dark Mofo – **click here for more information.**

Divination is presented by **Contemporary Art Tasmania** and **Dark Mofo**

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