The Citizen Peacemaker

MAKEUP
Makeup worn by citizen peacemakers reference the masks worn in the 2020s to fend off COVID-19; a symbol of solidarity, activism, and collective vulnerability. The makeup of today is a form of self-expression, solidarity to the cause, and protection from algorithmic identification.

Anti-surveillance makeup was first explored by Adam Harvey and operationalized during the Black Lives Matter protests of 2020.

HELMET
While helmets of the past protected from physical violence, modern helmets protect from invisible dangers: pathogens, extreme weather conditions, and surveillance.

The semi-transparent, fishbowl helmet allows wearers to hide their identity while remaining visible to other citizen peacemakers.

The fishbowl was first used in the U.K. in 2023 against algorithmic surveillance and later popularized due to easy DIY production using recycled plastic.

RACKET & UMBRELLA
Today, the racket and umbrella are typically worn as a reference to pro-democracy and to show solidarity with protesters of the past. These mundane and non-threatening items became symbols of the Hong Kong Protests and the Umbrella Movement in 2014, where they were used to ward off rain, pepper spray, and tear gas.

POV CAMERA
The POV camera captures and streams video footage from the first person perspective of the citizen peacemaker. Multiple cameras are typically used to record demonstrations from different perspectives. Recordings are valuable for on the ground data collection and to keep a record of events including violence. Video can be broadcasted and shared or stored as a later record with remote audiences.

BACKPACK
The backpack still serves the age old function of holding extra supplies and gear. Today it can also hold portable local networks, solar panels, and batteries, or function as Faraday bags to prevent data collection.

DATA-GLOVES
Data-Gloves simultaneously protect and collect rich sensor data from protestors and their environments. Sensors can detect activity or stress of individuals, e.g. through heartbeat sensors to help them quantify and understand short- and long-term health impacts. Sensor data can also be monitored by supporters and visualized to the world, e.g. the locations, length of protests. In emergency situations, protestors can use the gloves to send SOS signals.

FOOTWEAR
Good footwear, comfortable for long hours of standing and protective against the elements has always been a basic necessity for citizen peacemakers.

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