

ShrekBees

Confession



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Artist Statement: ShrekBees Confessions

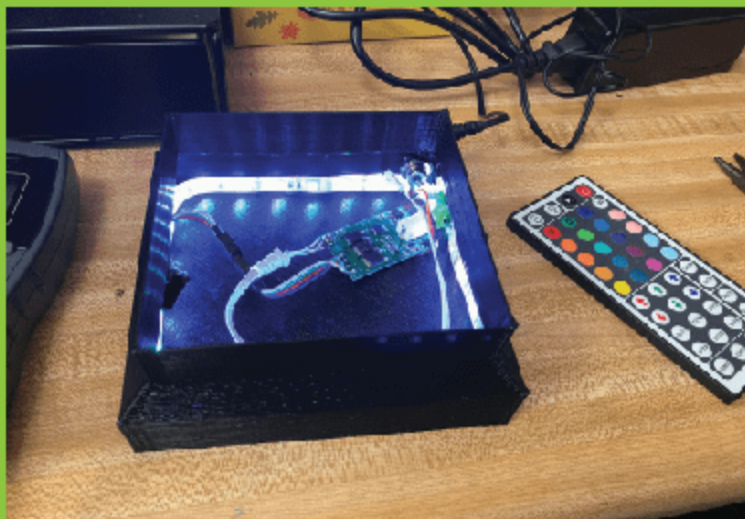
Through collaboration, we created a project which would allow people inside and outside of the gallery to submit anonymous confessions which would be saved to view anywhere. The concept does not end on a digital device however, but rather we encouraged viewers to interact with the object in the gallery by printing the confessions with the press of a button. Our aim and our concept was to allow users to experience the power of the technology in unconventional ways where the only technology visible is our projection of the confessions. We were inspired by the idea of individuals having an opportunity to be open about their deepest secrets in a public space. We had pretty clear instructions available as well, so users could scan the QR code or simply go to the confessions website to submit anything they wanted. The confessions are then interpreted by the raspberry pi to be printed in live time.

By positioning the receipt paper to gather on the floor, we wanted to symbolically represent the continuity of people's confessions being open to viewers of the space. In having this setup, we wanted to see if people would think twice about submitting, whether they want their secrets floating out in the world like on the internet. The nature of the confessions also varied vastly in that some people obviously lied about their confessions, while some people felt pretty comfortable admitting really dark things. Perhaps some people were trying to be genuine when they generally have to lie about themselves, while others don't want to admit to having secrets. The real beauty about this however, is that they could see the secrets of others in the same light so that they do not feel alone. Perhaps this can serve as enlightenment for why we have secrets in the first place.

To be honest with one's self is to pursue the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, for the truth cannot be changed, but merely ignored.

Materials Used:

Raspberry Pi
Ethernet Cable
Soldering Iron
adafruit mini thermal receipt printer
3ft RGB LED strip 60 pixels
female to female pin wires
DC Jack Adapter
5V Power cable
220 ohm resistors





Press the Button To Receive A Random
Confession

Submit Confessions:

briancressler.com/confessions



Poster and Website design for our project :

Designed with the mind for best
access, We created a website with
a QRcode and also a easily
accessible typeface

briancressler.com/confessions

joannajian.com/project3/home.html



