

an incantation.

The following incantation was written by Aimi Hamraie and has been delivered as a #CripRitual at the Critical Design Lab's Remote Access parties, beginning with a 2020 "Witches and Glitches" event at the Allied Media Conference.

We include it here as an invitation to participate in creating crip ritual containers, spaces for reflection and connection, as you interact with the materials in this care package.

We also invite you to write your own incantation and share it on social media using #CripRitual.

We welcome you to the crip
ritual of
Remote Access,
a way to celebrate and be
together that emerges from
crip culture.

We'll start by creating a
container for our party by
imagining our spaces glowing
with pink and purple light.

Imagine your space as a
bright dot
on a map
of the night sky.

When we zoom out,
your bright dot appears
scattered across a landscape
of other dots, with lines
connecting them until
multiple concentric circles of
purple and pink light
form.

They shimmer.

And within that shimmering,
we charge up our circles with
elements of crip power.

We call in the power of **Crip Access.**

crip as refusing normalcy.

Access as the flow of radical
love and hospitality.

Crip access as the element of
facilitating belonging together
for all of us and
refusing
to leave any of us behind.

Crip access as flexible,
ingenious, creative,
and world-changing.

We call in the power of Crip Rage.

Crip rage as non-compliance, the fire of crip protest, the smash of sledgehammer against sidewalk, of body against inaccessible building.

We call in the power of Crip Humor.

Crip humor as irreverent, taboo, biting, political.

Crip humor as turning the gaze back onto Ableds.

Crip humor as a cornerstone of crip ritual.

We call in the power of Crip Slowness.

Crip slowness as valuable methodology and technology.
Crip slowness as focusing away from ableist futures toward the pleasures and value of the present.

Crip slowness as a way to move and a way to know.

We call in the power of Crip Pleasure.

Crip pleasure as the joys emerging only from crip culture.

Access intimacies, shared skills and stories, accessible potlucks, mutual aid networks, extended kinships, and access as love.