

## Be Excellent to Each Other

Making a MakerSpace a Welcoming Place for Everyone

### Define Your Space

- Open
- Visible
- Accessible
- Attractive
- Inviting



#### Get the Kind of People You'd Like to Hang Out With

- Recruit library folks with good attitudes
- Encourage awesome regulars to volunteer
- Make Volunteering fun
- Gather a ragtag band of misfits, because that always works in the movies



- Technology
- Arts & Crafts
- Do a big event!
- Classes
- Programming
- Cool Stuff Just Sitting Around
- Start a Club!

Be an Awesome Place for Everyone



#### Do Stuff, Learn Stuff, Make Stuff

- Treat everyone like a teen
- Be the bartender with power tools.
- As few rules as you can get away with and not one rule less
- You can't plan community, but you can plan for community
- Opportunity will not take the forms you expect, and that's okay.
- Be something so different that stereotypes don't even apply and everyone will feel welcome.











# In the end, it's not about the projects, it's about the people