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Abstract

Inspiration for the cover was pulled from topics within the journal and includes graphic, photo, and textual elements from several of Makena Harris' previous projects in order to create this collage. The cover features women in STEM/STEAM and research careers who blazed trails and opened doors for many women to come. Her work was rooted in positivity, hopefulness, determination, and strength; all of which are qualities she feels that the two women featured on the cover, Sheila de Bretteville and Neri Oxman, possess. Additionally, color was a major driving force in this piece, with the rosey hue being reclaimed to demonstrate power and strength in femininity.

Keywords

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Today, a Feminist perspective still refers to seeing that support and value is given to women and the work that women do. But, there was, and is, so much more than that! Staying attentive. Resisting becoming comfortable with whatever it is we think and do. I take enormous pleasure in ideas that are new to me, upending what I think and do and looking at the why, where, what and for whom again.

My work continues to be centered on making a place for who and what is left out, listening to the other person, and being not only receptive to change, but initiating change. I learned this willingness to shift and change through Feminist thinking and activism.

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