

# WOMEN RECLAIMING AI



## About

Women Reclaiming AI is a collaborative AI  
voice assistant made by a growing community

*of self identifying women*



## disobedient resistance

Woman Reclaiming AI (WRAI) is an expanding activist art-work, presented as a feminist AI voice assistant, (chat to it here by clicking the chat icon), programmed through participatory workshops by a growing community of self-identifying women (trans, intersex and cis) and all nonbinary, agender and gender variant people. Through creating a platform for collective writing and editing the project co-creates an AI that challenges gender roles.

It is a response to the pervasive depiction of AI voice assistants gendered as women, subordinate and serving. Designed by development teams which lack diversity these systems are embedded with unrepresentative worldviews and stereotyping which reinforce traditional gender roles.

WRAI aims to reclaim female voices in the development of future AI systems by empowering self-identifying women to harness conversational AI as a medium for protest.

The WRAI art-work consists of the collectively designed voice assistant and an evolving alternative visual representation of women through the use of a GAN (generative adversarial network) (as displayed at the top of this page). The GAN is trained on an growing data-set of images of the women participating and other women the collective find inspirational (scraped from Wikipedia and other public repositories). The intention is to creating an alternative data-set of women, which we collectively feel is more representative. This project is created by artists - technologists Coral Manton and Birgitte Aga in collaboration with an ever evolving community of self-identifying women.

## ~~Events~~

## Workshops and Exhibitions

30 March 2020	<u>Anthropology Technology Meetup Group</u> , Bristol, UK
14 March 2020	<u>SheFest 2020: Women Reclaiming AI</u> , Sheffield Technology Parks, Sheffield, UK
12 March 2020	<u>The RRRRIOT Festival</u> , Vienna, Austria
28 October 2019	<u>Become an AI activist with KWMC</u> , KWMC, Bristol, UK
27 October 2019	<u>Mozfest</u> , London, UK
26 October 2019	<u>Kaleider</u> , Exeter, UK
24 October 2019	<u>Bath Digital Festival</u> , Bath, UK
14 September 2019	<u>The Eden Arts Festival</u> , The Eden Project, Cornwall, UK
07 September 2019	<u>ARS Electronica</u> , Linz, Austria
29 June 2019	<u>The Cell</u> , London, UK
24 May 2019	<u>BOM, Birmingham Open Media</u> , Birmingham, UK
17 May 2019	<u>The Barbican, Life Rewired Hub</u> , London, UK
10 May 2019	<u>Automate Me, Northern Sound Collective</u> , Leeds, UK
13 April 2019	<u>Near Now</u> , Nottingham, UK
24 November 2018	<u>Birmingham Open Media, UK</u> , Birmingham, UK
17 November 2018	<u>Random String</u> , Coventry, UK
13 June 2018	<u>Knowle West Media Centre</u> , Bristol, UK
08 May 2018	<u>KARST</u> , Plymouth, UK
03 May 2018	<u>KARST</u> , Plymouth, UK

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