THE FIXER'S MANIFESTO

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1. IF IT'S BROKEN, FIX IT! BECAUSE EVERYDAY PRACTICAL PROBLEM SOLVING IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL FORM OF CREATIVITY THERE IS. 2. IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, IMPROVE IT. A SMALL, CLEVER TWEAK CAN IMPROVE HOW SOMETHING WORKS FOR YEARS TO COME. 3. GIVE YOUR PRODUCTS A LONGER LIFE. IF WE DOUBLE THE LIFE OF OUR STUFF, WE HALVE WHAT GOES TO LANDFILL. 4. FIXING MEANS FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE. AS A FIXER, YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT WEAR AND TEAR. NOTHING STAYS NEW, SO FORGET PERFECTION. 5. RESIST TRENDS AND NEEDLESS UPGRADES. THEY FUEL OUR THROWAWAY CULTURE. 6. DON'T LET COMPANIES TREAT YOU AS A PASSIVE CONSUMER. EVERY TIME WE SPEND MONEY, WE VOTE FOR THE KINDS OF PRODUCTS WE WANT TO SEE SUCCEED. BUY PRODUCTS THAT CAN BE REPAIRED. 7. A FIXED THING IS A BEAUTIFUL THING. EVERY FIX, WHETHER SKILLFUL OR IMPROVISED, HOLDS A STORY. 8. IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA, START SMALL AND MAKE IT GOOD. IF IT'S RIGHT, IT'LL GROW FROM THERE. 9. NURTURE YOUR CURIOSITY. KEEP TRYING THINGS YOU'VE NEVER TRIED BEFORE. IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR BRAIN AND YOUR SOUL. DON'T BE AFRAID TO FAIL — IT MAKES SUCCESS ALL THE SWEETER. 10. PEOPLE ARE INFINITELY DIVERSE. PRODUCTS SHOULD BE TOO. EVERYTHING CAN BE IMPROVED OR CUSTOMISED. 11. DISPOSABILITY IS A CHOICE, NOT A PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTIC. PLASTICS AREN'T EVIL. BUT WE'RE USING THEM WRONG. TREAT THEM WITH 12. SHARE YOUR IDEAS, YOUR ENTHUSIASM AND YOUR SKILLS. IF YOU'VE FOUND THE JOY OF FIXING, PASS IT ON, IT'S A GIFT FOR LIFE.