CALL OUT

To the physically disabled community of Auckland, for your involvement in a creative project to raise awareness of diversity and inclusion.







Photographer Nicola Simpkin-Hill, Title: Swallow trainer.

ADAPTATIONS

The Adaptations project aims to build awareness of largely unseen and unheard disability communities through a photographic investigation of adapted, fabricated, and customized objects used to assist its members in their daily lives. Photographer Nicola Simpkin-Hill's forensic yet open-ended approach is grounded in her lived experience of disability as the mother of a 21-year-old daughter with cerebral palsy. Hill understands first-hand the challenges of the disability landscape and advocates for a deeper understanding of the lived experience of these communities and further inclusion of their perspectives and voices in wider society.

Want to participate? Email me with photos of your adaptive devices.....

Yes, email photos (from your mobile phone) of adaptative devices that assist you or your disabled loved one or client (with their consent of course). Devices could be for example: something that has been a useful part of your journey with your physical disability like a brace or AFO, an adaptive keyboard, a walking cane, wheelchair or even a custom made or home-made device. If one of your devices has potential for this project, you will be contacted, and arrangements will be made to photograph it in studio or on location. Not all devices photographed will make the final selection of images.

At this stage the project is for those who live in the Auckland region and have a physical disability.

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What is in it for you?

You will receive an invitation to the final exhibition. The date and time of the final exhibition is yet to be decided, however if your adaptive device is part of the final selection, you will receive an unframed print of it to keep. You will remain anonymous if you wish and all efforts to protect your privacy will be met for this process. A percentage of sales from photographic prints and photobooks will be donated to the disability community.