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New Occupied Social Centre in Hackney

London's newest autonomous zone opened last week with free food, music, and short films. After resisting illegal forced eviction attempts, the Hackney Social Centre opened for an evening of films including 'Trainsquatting', a film about resistance to evictions in Slovenia.

The new space sustained two violent attacks the week before as representatives of both Howen Estates Ltd., and Hackney Metropolitan Police attempted to forcibly (and illegally) gain entry.

The social centre grew out of Northeast Squatters Network meetings, a network seeking to strengthen solidarity and skill-sharing among squatted spaces in north-east London. General Meetings for the social centre are open to the public. Anyone interested in getting involved, or learning more, is welcome. The social centre is located at 231 Lower Clapton Road, in Hackney.

This as yet un-named autonomous space hopes to provide non-commercial social space for the community and to host activities such as: detainee support, a bike workshop, free language classes, a donations-only café, silk-screening, graffiti workshops and much more.

hackneysocialcentre.blogspot.com



RampArt Social Centre Still Open

Rampart are still very much open as usual, still taking on new event proposals and inviting further involvement. Contact via the usual address: rampart@mutualaid.org.

Still tangling with the legal process, the court not sending required forms, etc., they also learnt (by chance) that there is a hearing about the appeal on the 25th Feb, although no official notification had been received. The hearing takes place at The Gee Street Courthouse, EC1, 10am Monday 25th.

The back-up space opened on new years eve has been served papers for an IPO hearing – Thursday 21st February. This hearing takes place at The Gee Street Courthouse at 2pm. A resistance day is planned for Friday at the new place: 22 Cavell Street which is just a few minutes down Commercial Road from rampART (down past McD's then left at the Kwik Fit).

rampart.co.nr