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GROUP MATERIAL WAS FOUNDED IN 1979 AS AN ARTIST INITIATED AND CONTROLLED EXHIBITION SPACE. WE WANTED TO PROVIDE A SOCIAL CONTEXT FOR THE CREATION AND PRESENTATION OF CURRENT PROGRESSIVE ART.

WE LOCATED IN A STOREFRONT ON EAST THIRTEENTH STREET AND SPENT OUR FIRST YEAR PRESENTING THEMATIC SHOWS ADDRESSING A WIDE AUDIENCE OF BLOCK AND NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS, STUDENTS, ART ENTHUSIASTS, INTELLECTUALS, AND VARIED PASSERSBY.

DUE TO OUR CHANGING CONVICTIONS ABOUT ART PRACTICE AND THE ONGOING EXPENSE AND WORKLOAD OF MAINTAINING A SPACE, WE DECIDED TO CONCENTRATE ON ORGANIZING AND PRODUCING SHOWS AND EVENTS FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC PLACES INSTEAD OF LIMITING OURSELVES TO A PERMANENT LOCATION. WE NOW MAINTAIN AN OFFICE SO AS TO REMAIN ACCESSIBLE.

AT PRESENT GROUP MATERIAL HAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE BODY OF FOUR AND A DIVERSE ASSOCIATION OF SUPPORTIVE ARTISTS AND PARTICIPANTS.

WE WISH TO CONTINUE THE GROUP MATERIAL PROJECT, EVER INCREASING OUR AUDIENCE AND UTILIZING OUR POTENTIAL TO ACT AS A CATALYST FOR ARTISTIC, POLITICAL, AND MATERIAL CHANGE.

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