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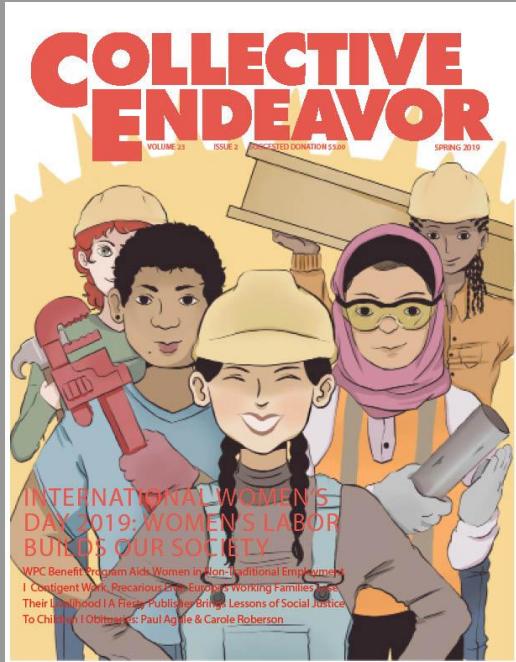
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About the Company

Women's Press Collective (WPC) located in the Bronx. The center is a private company filled with few volunteers from around the world; Their primary business is to spread facts and information about women who deal with real life situations and give them a voice. They also help communities across the country and New York City to create independent companies for women leaders.

My Role: Graphic Design for the Collective Endeavor Magazine

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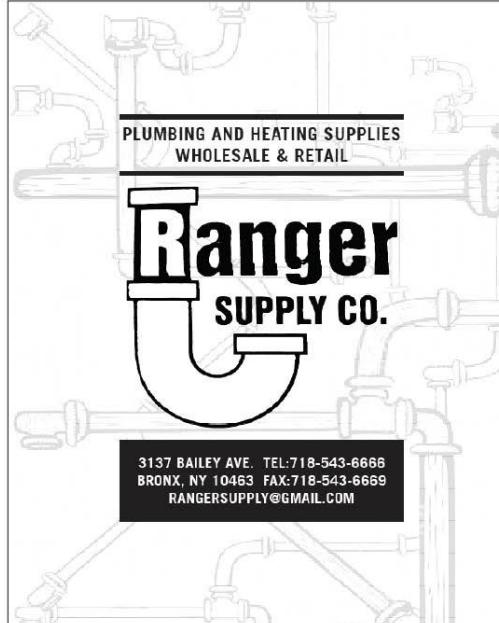
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Mailouts

My fellow classmate and I would help out supervisor mail out the magazines I helped organize to clients who requested the magazines to be sent to them whether or not its an organization, school, private housing, or simply individuals.

The envelopes all have the company's branded. Both of our duties were:

Clear out all the requested names on the list of the mailouts.

Find the names of the requested in the file folder (alphabetical order). On their file, label what is being mailed along with the date it gets mailed out.

Put the magazines in the envelopes then put them in bins with zip codes ranging from the five boroughs to upstate New York and other states.

Self Reflection

To be honest, I joined this internship way too late during this semester; I honestly regret not taking the opportunity when it was given because I was being way too picky with my choices. But from the moment I stepped foot into the organization, I felt like I belonged there. Everyone is just so wonderful and respectful; the atmosphere is so peaceful it just makes me want to come back all the time. Since it's such a fun and unforgettable experience, I learned something about myself. I am a very timid person. I don't like to associate with people unless they are close friends or relatives. My professor always told us to not be shy when it comes to these kinds of opportunities that will come our way; I listened. I spoke with other fellow volunteers and learned about their history. I asked questions and even participated in presentations where women leaders from different areas would visit and express how they feel about their environment and community. I even met my supervisor's lovely parents. What I am trying to say is that I truly stepped out of my comfort zone which is something I normally do when it comes to illustration, not real life. I also learned that people love conversations and are also very interesting to encounter. In my journey of being an artist, I hope to meet many more people who can cause an impact on my life and benefit me to become the best artist I can be.