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ZINE PREVIEW



overview

- Libraries are looking for ways to make their spaces more **collaborative** and **innovative**
- Makerspaces provide this bridge between **learning** and **creating**
- Makerspaces make incredible technology more accessible
- Libraries provide the equipment but it is the members who use it that creates the value and culture of the space itself.
- Libraries incorporating Makerspaces allows for both information consumption *and* aids in information creation.
- A literature review revealed that there are large gaps in the research when it comes to the use of Makerspaces in a Canadian context.
- My research interest is to create a deeper understanding of how Makerspaces are being used in Canada

Li & Todd (2016), Wang et al. (2016)

THREE FACTORS HAVE HELPED BUILD THE MAKER MOVEMENT:

1. The emergence of digital fabrication tools and software, such as 3D printers
2. Collaboration and innovation fostered by the internet
3. The emergence of increasingly accessible and flexible machinery

- WANG ET AL. (2016)



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