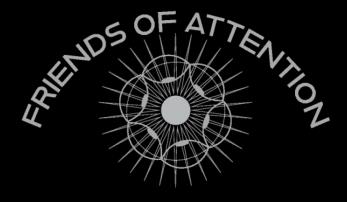
BEING THE PRODUCT

(a media-archaeological warmup attention exercise)



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With special thanks to Richard Serra, Carlota Fay Schoolman, and 1973

In the early era of video art, the sculptor Richard Serra teamed up with pioneering media producer Carlota Fay Schoolman to produce a 6-minute landmark work, "Television Delivers People" (1973)

This work made use of the relatively sophisticated "scroll" technology, to deliver a message about the advertising architecture of modern media.

And the artists bought time on a local station to run their anti-ad as an ad.

To warm up today, we will watch the first minute of this classic THROWBACK piece of Attention Activism

and use it as the prompt for a brief exercise...

STEP ONE

Click on the link in the chat, and on the signal, we will all press PLAY, together....

And now...

THE EXERCISE

Serra and Schoolman remind us that media structures "deliver us" to advertisers (that we are "the product").

[on the first bell]

TAKE A MINUTE TO THINK
OF THE LAST TIME YOU WERE "DELIVERED"
AS THE PRODUCT.

[bell]

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TAKE ANOTHER MINUTE TO VISUALIZE
THE STRUCTURES/SYSTEMS THAT MADE THIS POSSIBLE

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(Take a few notes....)

THANK YOU!