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# Anonymous and the Political Ethos of Hacktivism

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## Abstract

This article examines the ethos of the hacktivist movement Anonymous. It considers the subcultural roots of Anonymous and the political and ethical values articulated by the movement. The article highlights key points of tension within the Anonymous ethos: nihilism and idealism, utopianism and dystopianism, individualism and collectivism, and negative and positive liberty. The article argues that while Anonymous can be broadly

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