

I think there need to be digital community media centres in every community, possibly hosted in public library maker spaces, or evolving out of community TV and radio stations. They should be not-for-profit organizations that offer i) digital media skills training (e.g. TV, radio, web design, gaming) ii) production support and technical feedback iii) multiplatform distribution. The latter means that the centre could hold radio and TV licenses, stream from a web site, host chat rooms, and so on.

Community media centres enable even small communities and minority voices to produce content for themselves, and for content made in communities to be curated and aggregated on a credible platform accessible to the whole community.

They are also innovation drivers, as creators and artists can congregate and use facilities that they might not be able to afford on their own... new technologies such as VR for example, but also just meeting and workshop space, and a place to experiment.