

The image features a white background with large, expressive, overlapping brushstrokes in red, green, and blue. The red strokes are on the left, green on the top right, and blue on the bottom right. A black diagonal band crosses the center. The text "Coming Together" is written in a black, cursive script in the upper right area.

Coming Together

PRELUDE

On Tuesday, January 12, 2010, a catastrophic earthquake occurred approximately 16 miles (25km) west of Port-au-Prince, the capital of Haiti. The earthquake caused major damage to Port-au-Prince and the surrounding area. The International Red Cross estimates that three million people were affected by the quake, with as many as one million Haitians left homeless. Casualty estimates continue to climb. Due to the widespread devastation and damage, vital infrastructure necessary to respond to the disaster has been severely damaged or destroyed. A spokeswoman from the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs called this the worst disaster the UN has ever confronted.

Font Aid IV: Coming Together, a Collaborative Typeface

The Society of Typographic Aficionados (SOTA) is proud to announce the release of “Coming Together”, a font created exclusively for Font Aid IV to benefit the victims of the recent earthquake in Haiti. The font consists entirely of ampersands, to represent the idea of people coming together to help one another. Nearly 400 type designers, graphic designers, and other artists from around the world contributed artwork to the font.

Coming Together is available for sale through several distributors, including Ascender Fonts, FontShop, MyFonts and Veer. All money raised will be donated to Doctors Without Borders to help with their relief efforts in Haiti.

Font Aid IV is a charitable endeavor. We wish to ensure that we provide the maximum support possible to the people of Haiti.

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Font Aid: a Brief History

Swedish type designer Claes Källarsson conceived of the initial Font Aid project in 1999. More than 25 type designers participated in designing a collaborative font, with proceeds going to UNICEF to help war and disaster refugees. In 2001, SOTA became involved when Stuart Sandler was inspired by Källarsson's efforts and initiated Font Aid II. This second collaborative charitable typeface was created to benefit the victims of the September 11 tragedies in the US. The font was made up of almost 100 question mark glyphs contributed by designers from over 20 countries.

In 2005, SOTA and Building Letters joined forces in Font Aid III to unite the typographic and design communities in raising funds to expedite relief efforts in countries affected by the Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunamis. More than 220 designers worldwide submitted over 400 glyphs for the collaborative Fleurons of Hope typeface.



The Society of Typographic Aficionados (SOTA)

The Society of Typographic Aficionados (SOTA) is an international not-for-profit organization dedicated to the promotion, study, and support of type, its history and development, its use in the world of print and digital imagery, its designers, and its admirers. SOTA exists for the affordable education of its members and participants; to further the development of type, typographical information and typography; and to appreciate on multiple levels the attributes of type, typography, design, the book arts, and calligraphy. Furthermore, SOTA is committed to sponsoring relevant topics in pursuit of these goals. SOTA pursues these goals through an annual conference (TypeCon), held in a different host city each year.

www.typesociety.org

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Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)

Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) is an international medical humanitarian organization created by doctors and journalists in 1971. Today, they provide aid in nearly 60 countries to people whose survival is threatened by violence, neglect, or catastrophe, primarily due to armed conflict, epidemics, malnutrition, exclusion from health care, or natural disasters. Thanks to the generosity of supporters, they were able to respond immediately to the crisis in Haiti and continue to provide important medical services to the victims of the earthquake.

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COMING TOGETHER

Font Aid IV

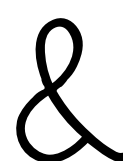
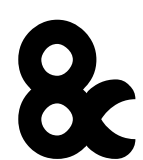
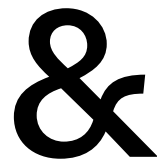
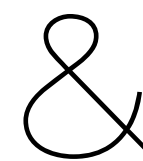
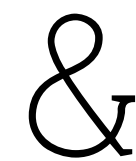
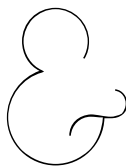
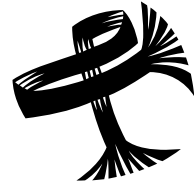
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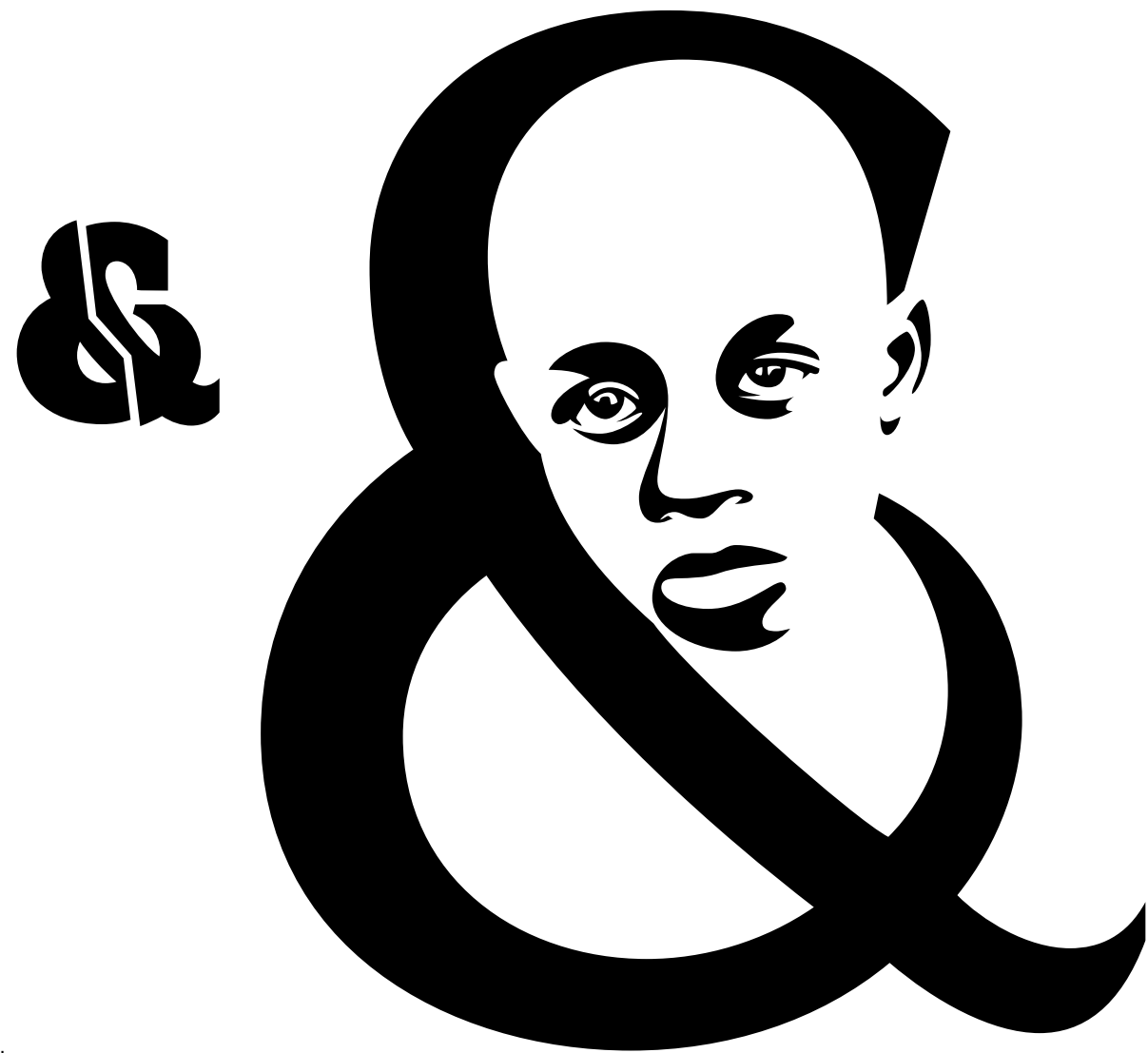
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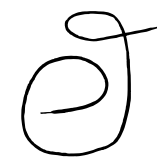
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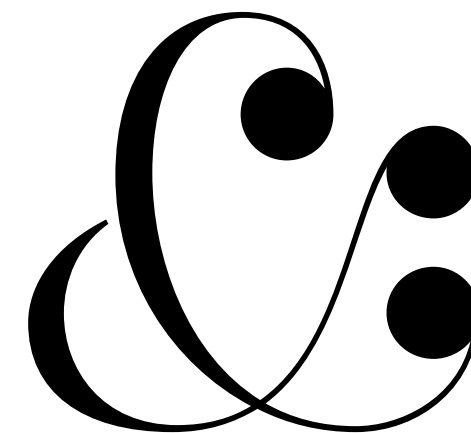
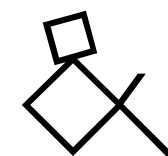
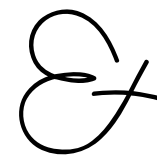
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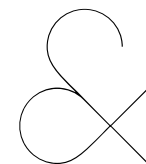
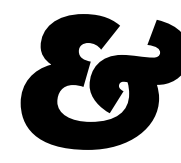
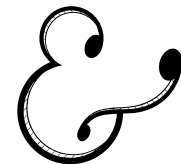
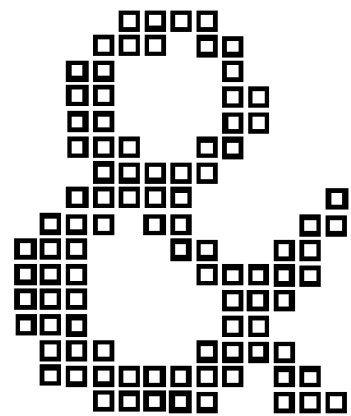
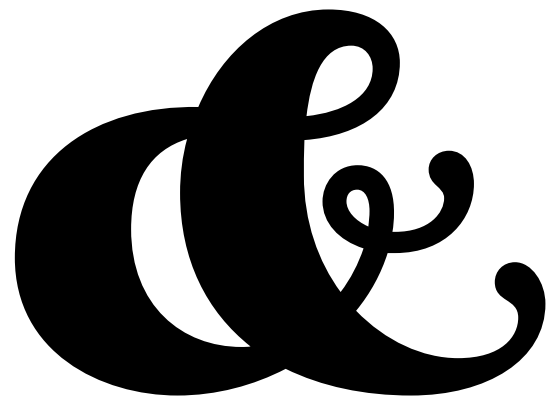
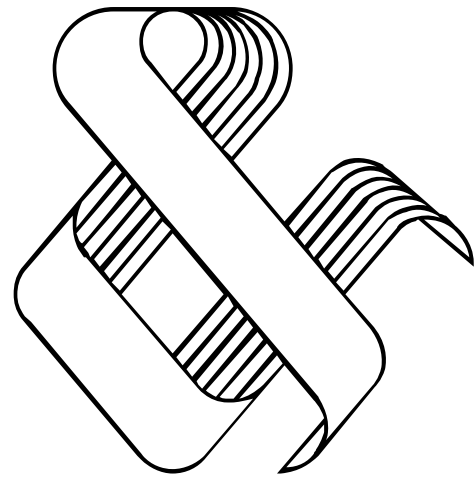
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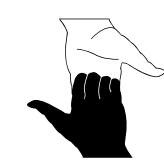
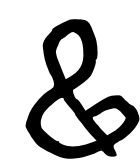
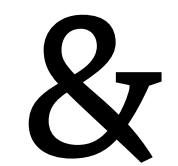
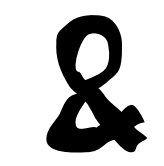
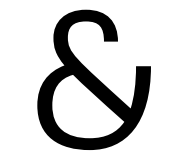
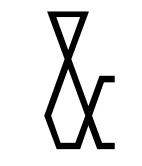
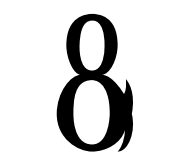
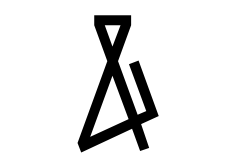
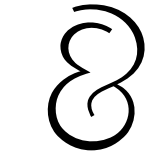
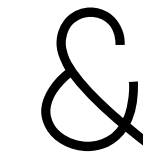
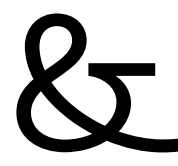
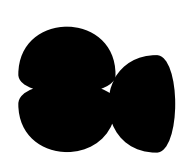
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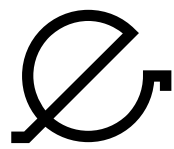
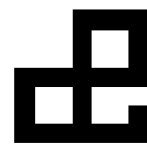
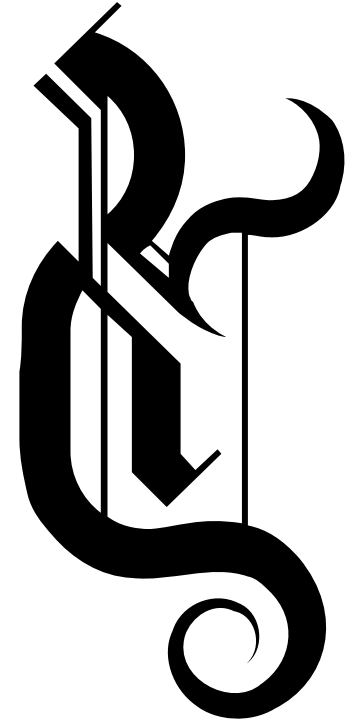
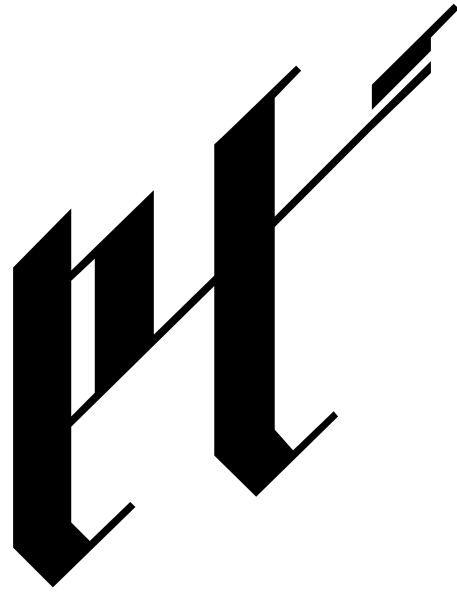
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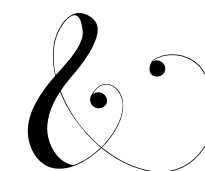
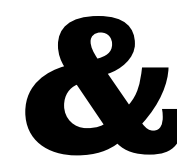
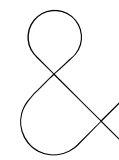
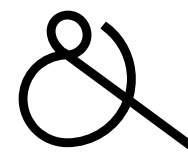
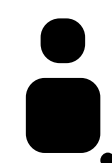
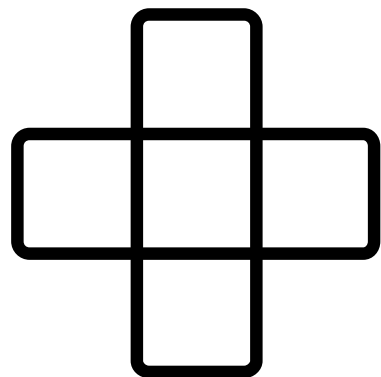
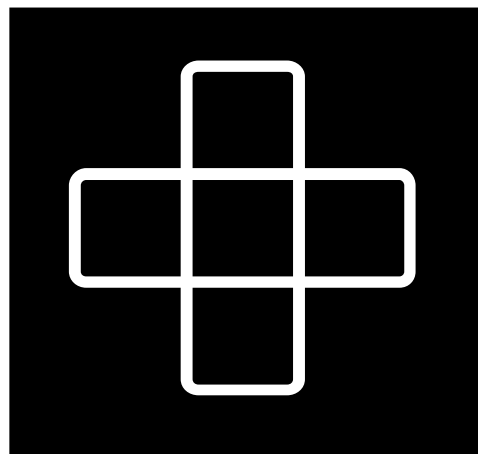
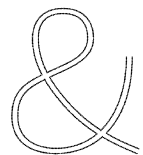
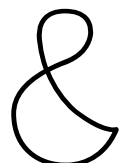
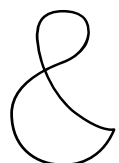
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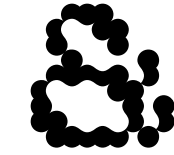
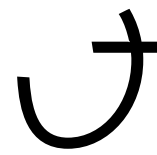
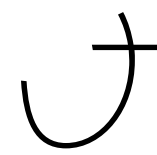
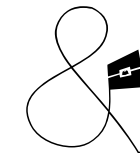
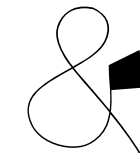
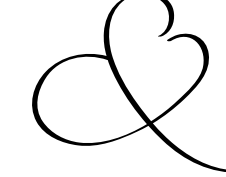
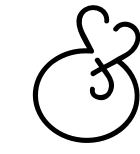
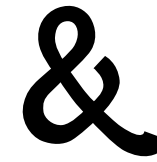
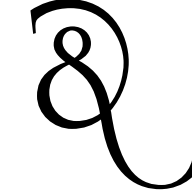
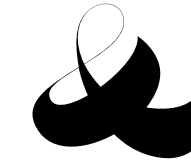
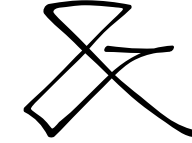
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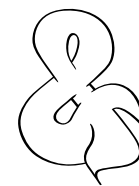
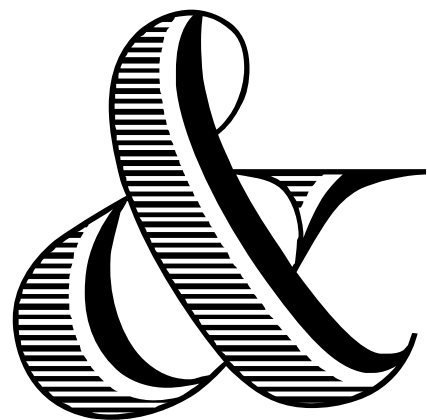
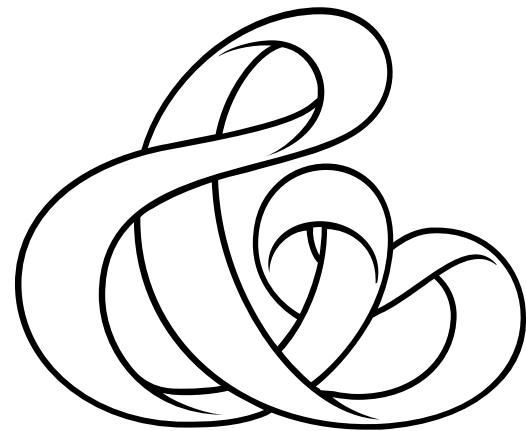
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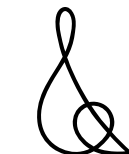
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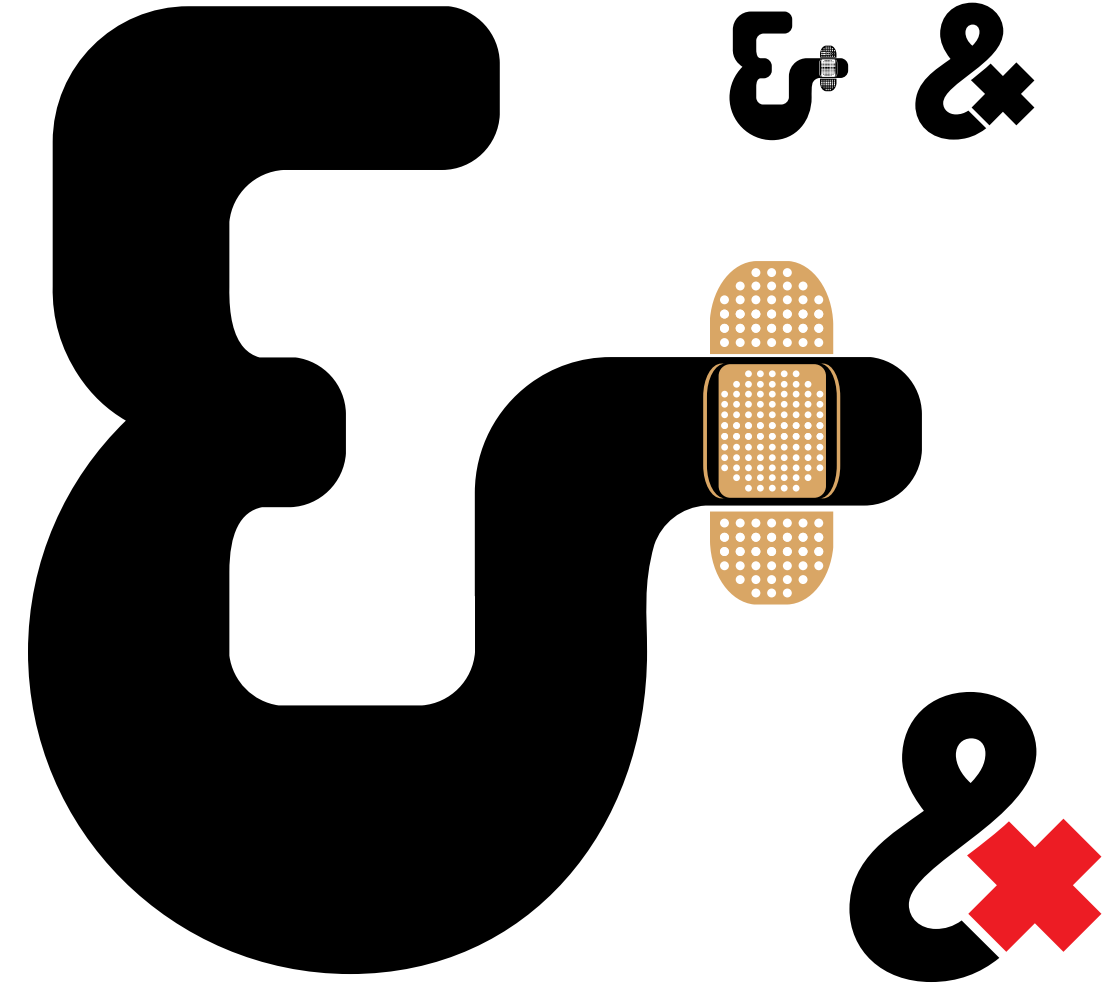
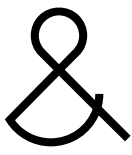
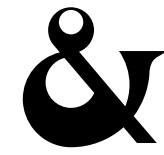
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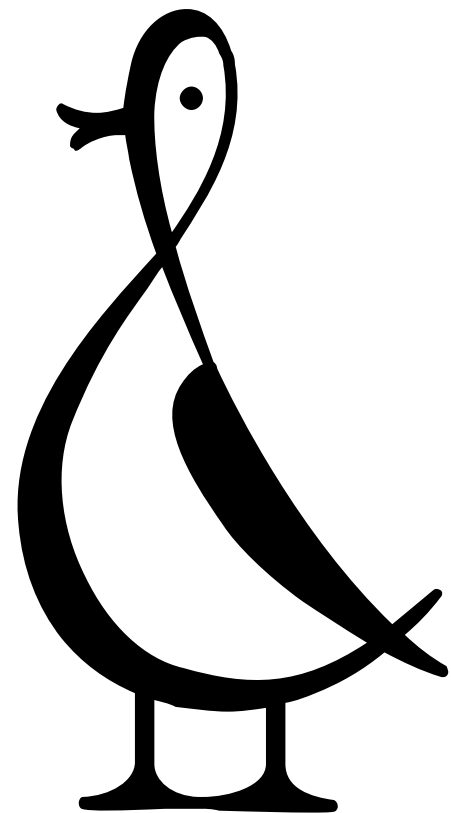
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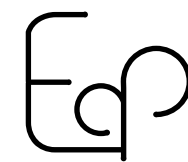
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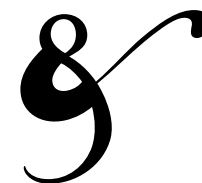
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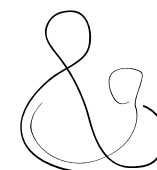
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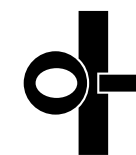
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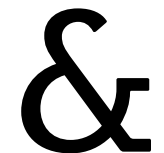
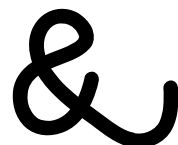
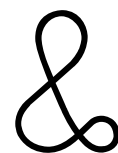
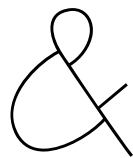
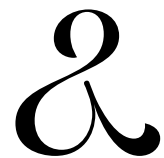
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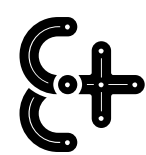
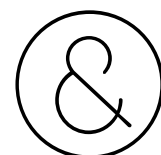
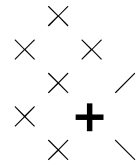
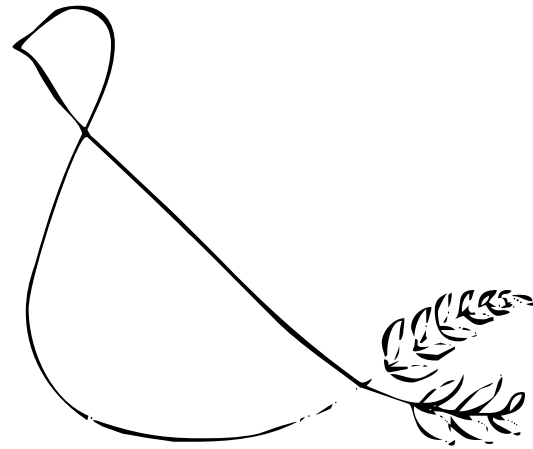
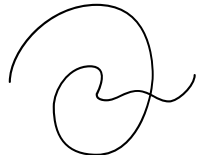
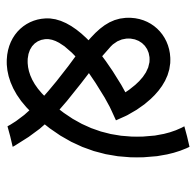
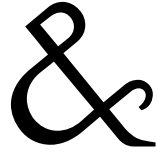
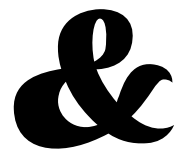
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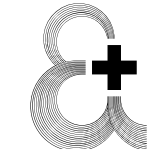
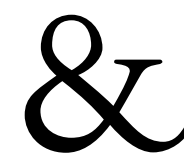
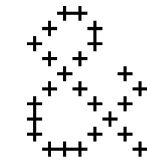
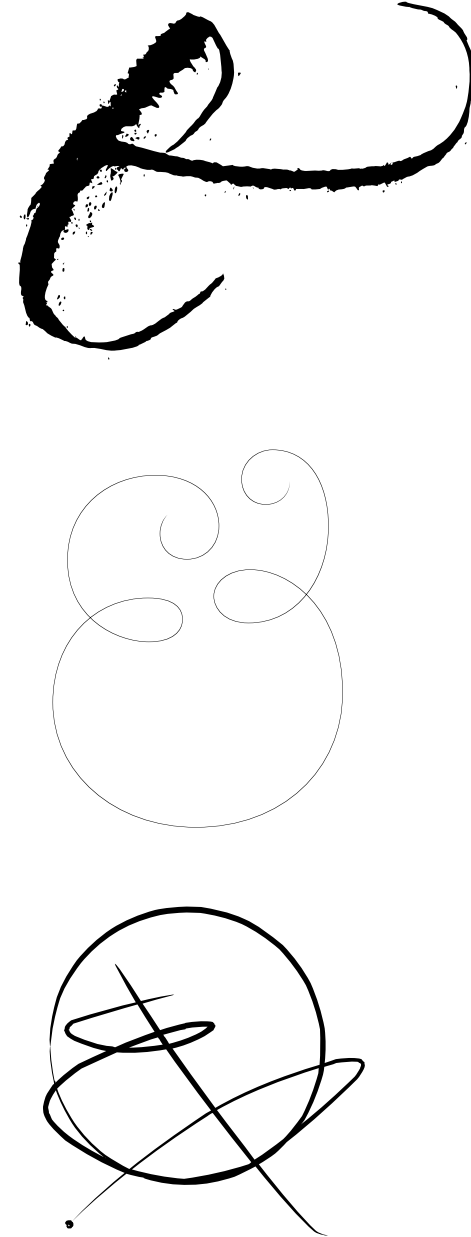
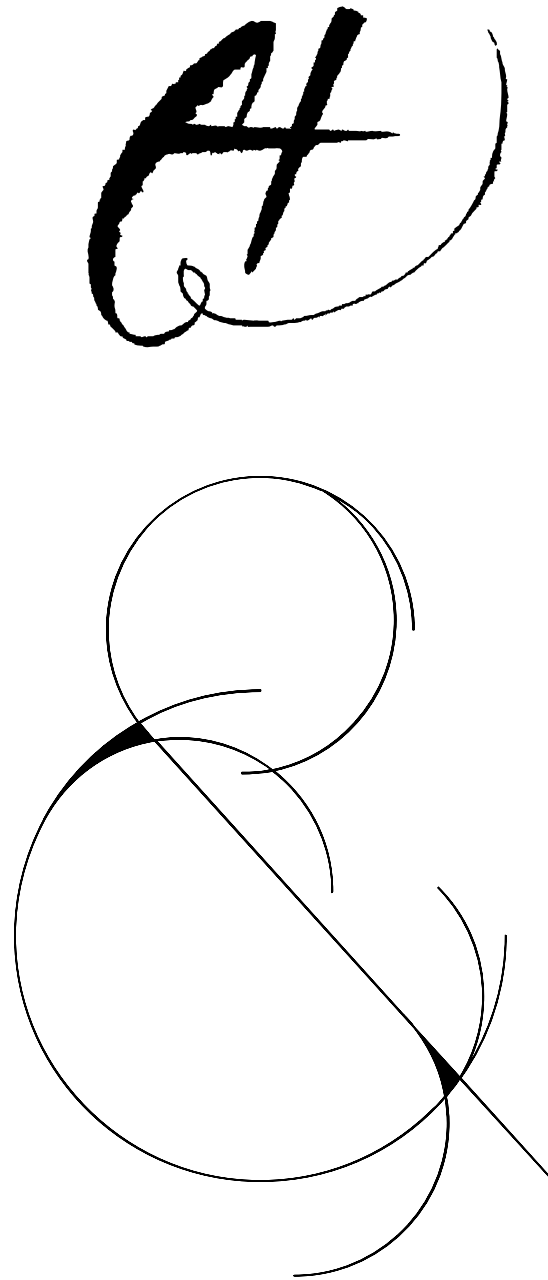
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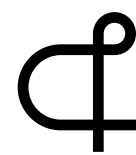
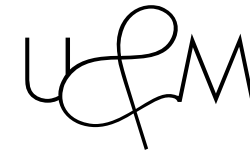
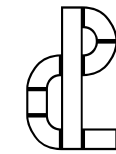
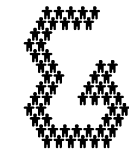
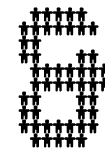
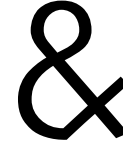
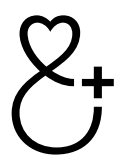
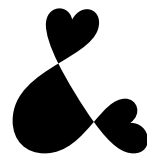
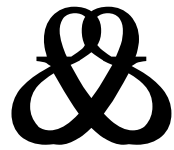
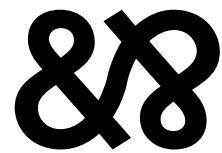
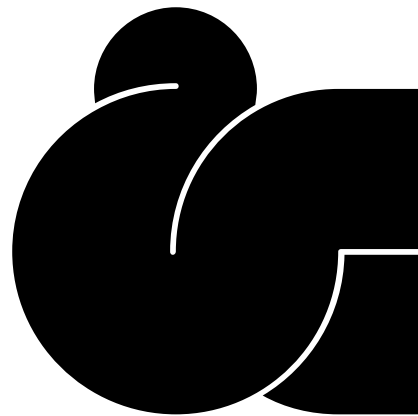
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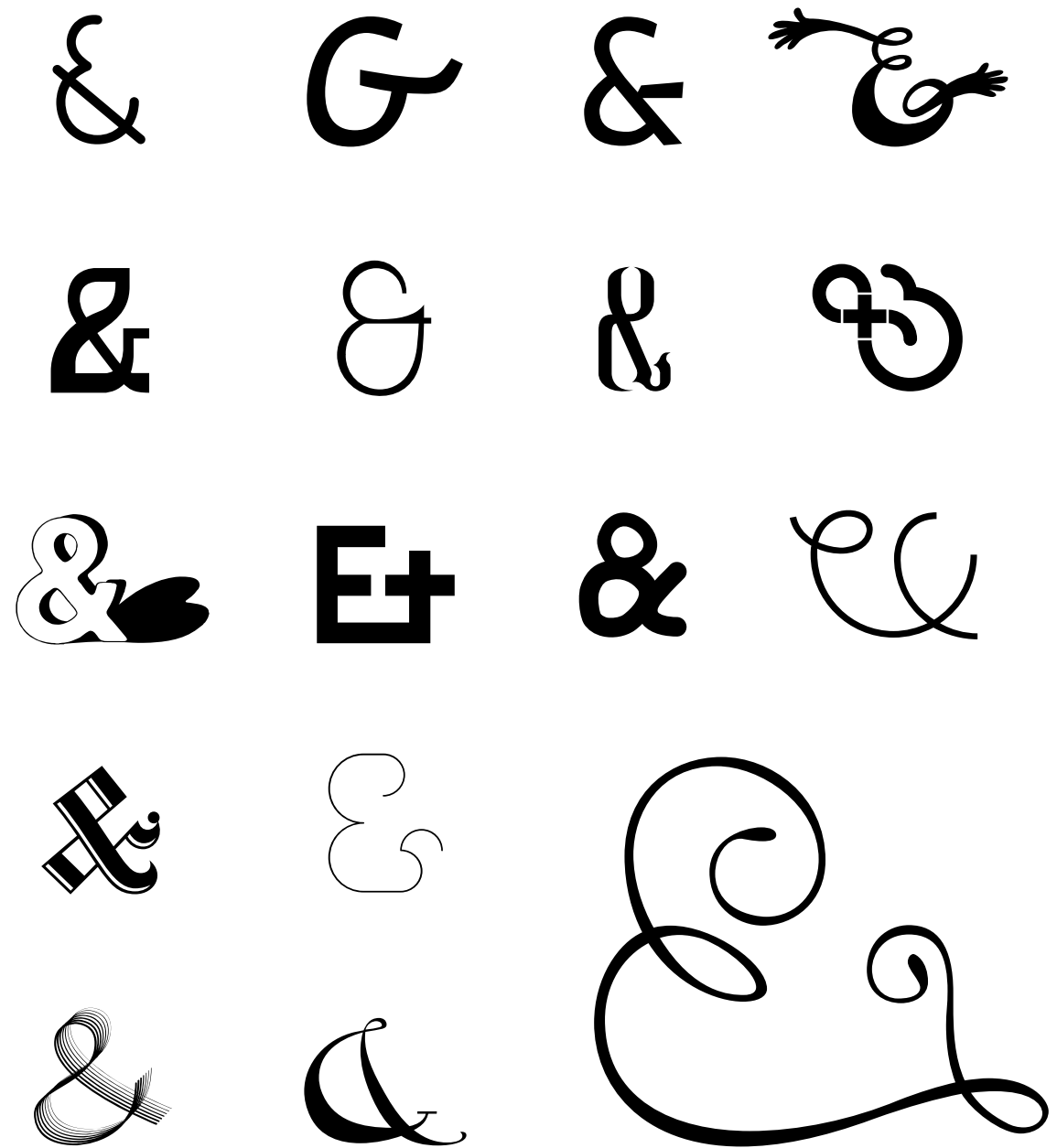
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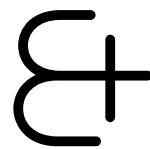
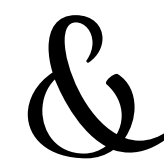
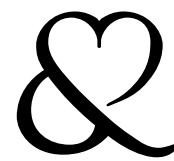
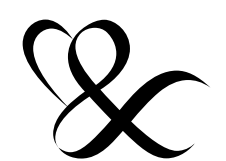
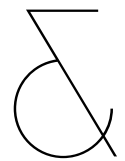
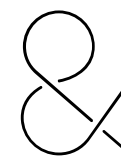
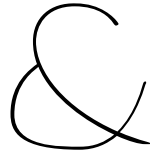
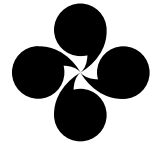
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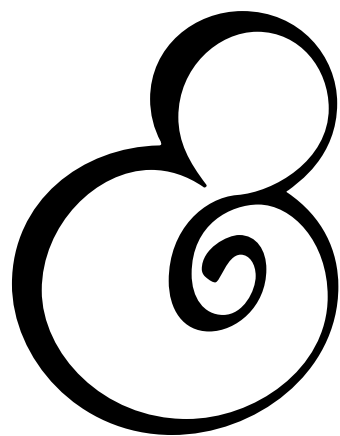
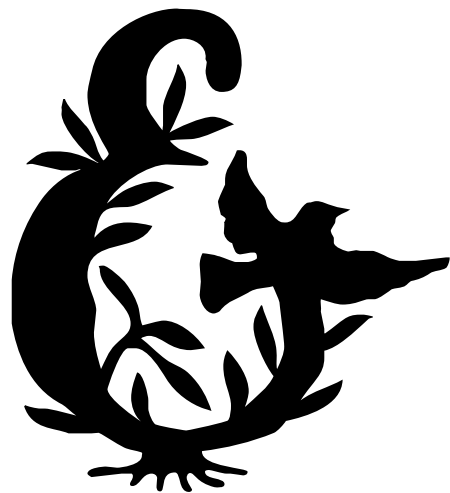
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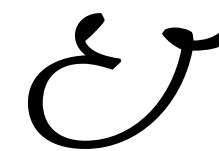
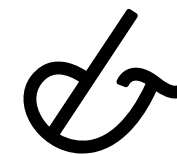
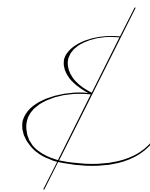
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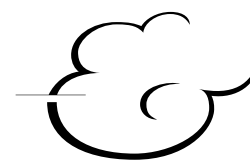
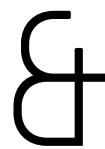
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