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These are on people's minds following Philly's recent Remix Festival. How do artists navigate issues of appropriation, especially with readily available internet content (remember Beyoncé vs. De Keersmaeker http://m.youtube.com/watch?v=PDT0m514TMw)? Is copyright an outdated concept? And as Claudia LaRocco wrote on Arforum on March 24: "Who owns a tradition, a technique? How can you translate it? Must you be on your knees to pay homage?" When is it OK to borrow art?

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