Tell the Secret is a phonographic recording device that can save and share sounds. When the button is pressed, the shape of the device invites the user to record a secret. The interchange of secret confessions creates the emulsion, interweaving, and convergence of secrets within a kind of Pandora’s box. To hear the secrets stored inside, the user rotates the clockwork, puts his or her ear close to the hole on the box, and listens. A randomly selected secret will play at a very low volume. This artifact is crafted to provide embodied social serendipity in an intentionally simple and pleasurable form.

Project website:  [http://www.spatialmedia.org/tid/tellthesecret.html](http://www.spatialmedia.org/tid/tellthesecret.html)

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InTouch

Stay in touch with InTouch! Each of the four sections of the wooden box covered with elastic Lycra represents a communication link with a friend. An individual can express her consideration for a friend by pressing a link. When pressed, its color changes from blue to red, while raising the temperature of the corresponding link on the friend’s device. The temperature of each link is controlled by a thermoelectric cooler (TEC), turning hot or cold based on the input electrical current. Because the color and temperature of links are independent of each other, the device allows for strange crossings of perception. Can you imagine a red link feeling cold? So conflicting, isn’t it?

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