Sonotype is a series of experimental typefaces that challenges the arbitrary relationship between verbal and visual communication.

Using sonogram interpretations, the resulting fonts are visual representations of speech, making visible the differences and similarities of spoken and written language.

A pronunciation of the letter "a" renders a visually distinct mark, illustrating the unique pronunciations of the same letter.

The project acts as a visual analogy for the ways in which font styles are selected to symbolise emotion ("italic" for happy, "bold" for angry).

As an evolving work in progress, the project is a collaboration between graphic designer Amy Papaelias and artist Jaanika Peerna.

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