# Leadership Segues

FROM WET BEHIND MY EARS TO WISE BEYOND MY YEARS

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## **1. Learning Outcomes**

#### Attendees will be able to:

Differentiate between various leadership styles

- Explore and identify with various leadership segues
- Develop their own leadership ideology





#### Values are the moral principles

#### and beliefs or accepted standards

#### of a person or social group



## 2. Values First

#### Leaders who lead with values:

- Know themselves and what they value
- Have the humility and courage to lead with their values
- Influence, inspire and motivate others to pursue what matters most
- Make the world a better place within their sphere of influence



Kraemer, 2011



## Why we exist...

We share a dream to grow an organization that

puts people first, nurtures the creative spirit,

challenges the status quo with empathy,

ingenuity and optimism, and radically

collaborates in service of helping others.



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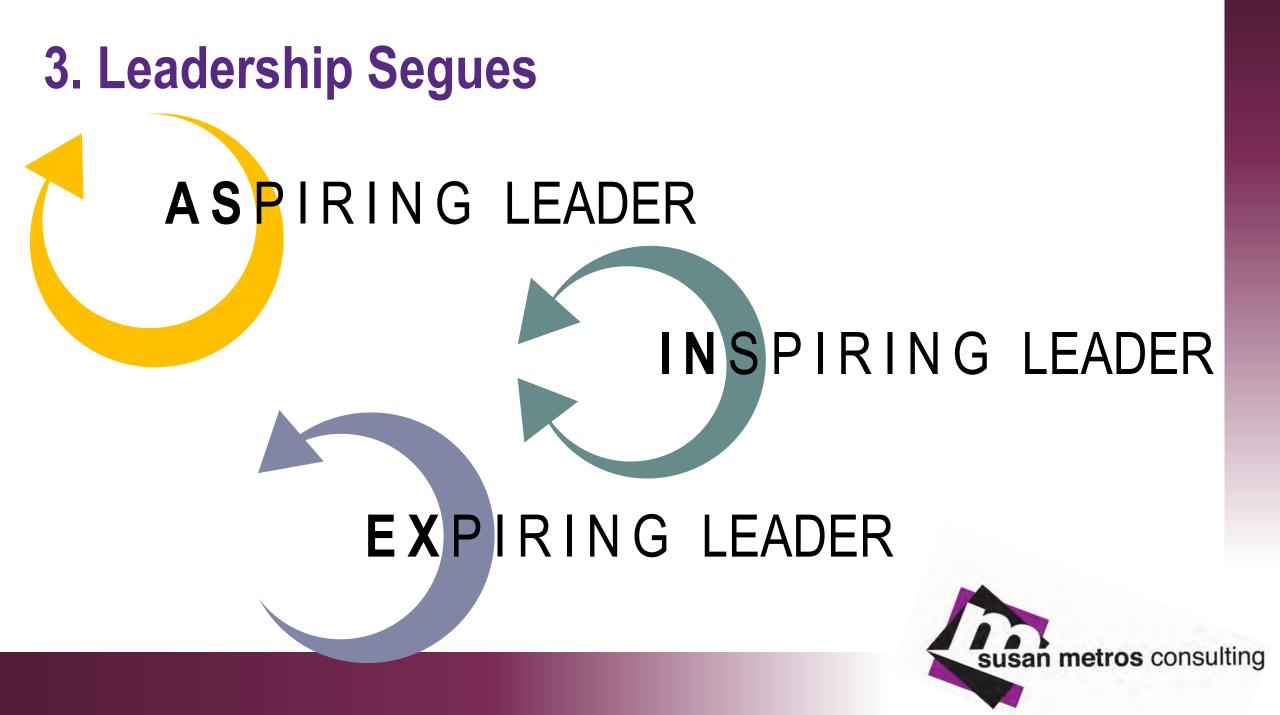
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## Six things we believe in...

- 1. Surround yourself with good people, trying to do great things.
- **2.** Empower others to succeed.
- 3. Diversity and interdisciplinary collaboration are the secret sauce; identify and remove barriers that hinder collaboration.
- 4. If work is not inspiring, fun and meaningful, you're doing it wrong.
- 5. Business is inherently a creative problem-solving process.
- 6. Human-centered design yields better results all around.



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# Aspiring Leader ASPIRING LEADER • Has that "itch" to lead

- Positioned to lead
- Building a career trajectory



## **Inspiring Leader**

- Listens, learns, leads
- Selfless in support of others
- Innovates rather than emulates

INSPIRING LEADER



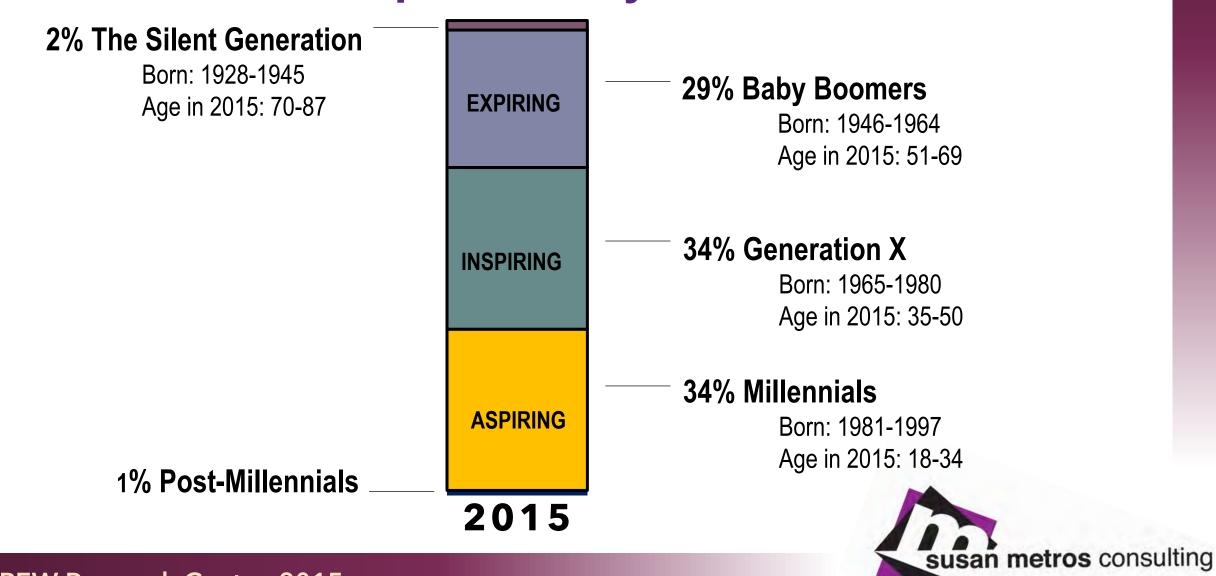
## **Expiring Leader**

- Knows when to step aside
- A treasure trove of knowledge and wisdom
- Gives back to the community





## **Labor Force Composition by Generation**



PEW Research Center, 2015

## 4. Leadership Tenets

A tenet is a **principle**, **belief**, **or doctrine generally held to be true**; especially one held in common by members of an organization, movement, or profession.



## 4. Leadership Tenets

#### ASPIRING

- 1. Stay curious
- 2. Think laterally, then vertically
- **3.** Think visually
- 4. Expand professional perspective
- 5. Ask for what you want

#### INSPIRING

- 6. Pick people over products
- 7. Bring solutionsnot problems
- 8. Collaborate across disciplines
- 9. Choose desire paths
- **10.** Make the familiar strange and strange familiar

#### EXPIRING

- **11.** Be who you are, not what you do
- **12.** Everything is temporary
- 13. Lead from within



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## "I have no special talent...

# ... I am only passionately curious."

Albert Einstein



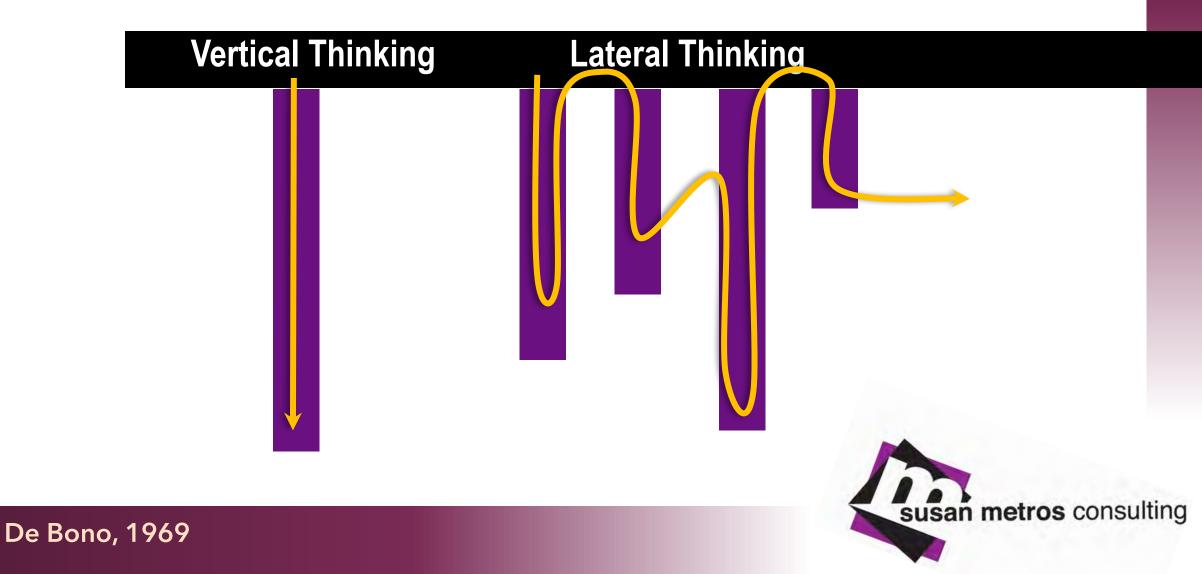


Attend to what you don't know What you know you don't know What you know

What you don't know you don't know



## Think Laterally, then Vertically



## **Think Visually**

A visually literate individual is able to:

**1. Decode and interpret** visuals



**3.** Be an informed critic of visuals and be able to judge accuracy, validity, and worth

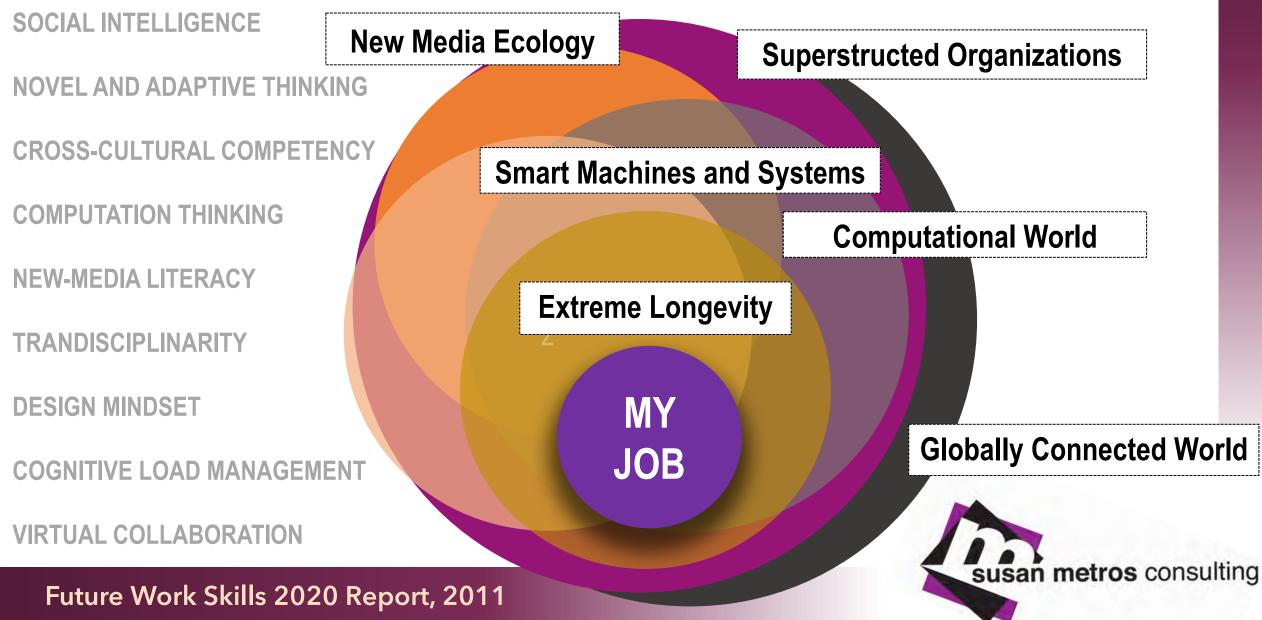




Bramford, 2011

#### **SENSE-MAKING**

## **Expand Professional Perspective**



## Ask for What you Want

You can't always get what you want

But if you try sometimes you just might find

You just might find

You get what you need

The Rolling Stones



## **Inspiring Leader Tenets**

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# INSPIRING LEADER



## **Pick People over Products**





## **Bring me Solutions, not Problems**

#### "People don't want a quarter inch drill...



#### ...They want a quarter inch hole."

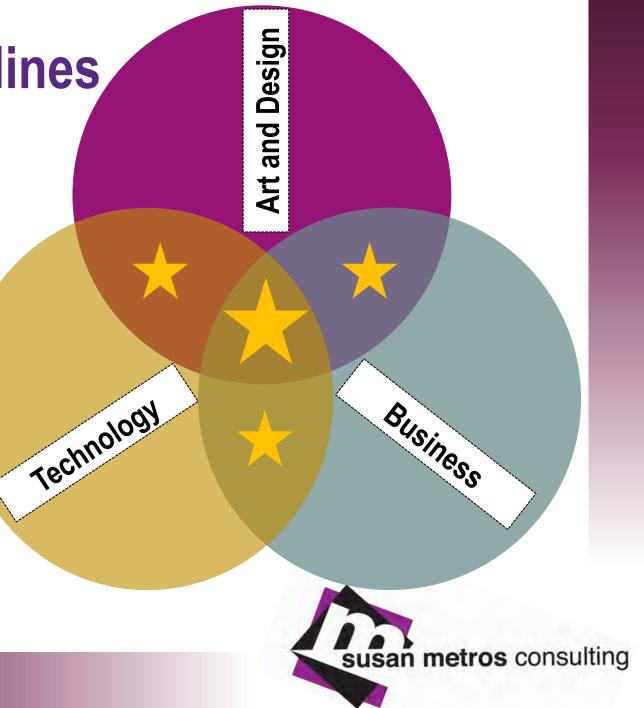
Theodore Levitt



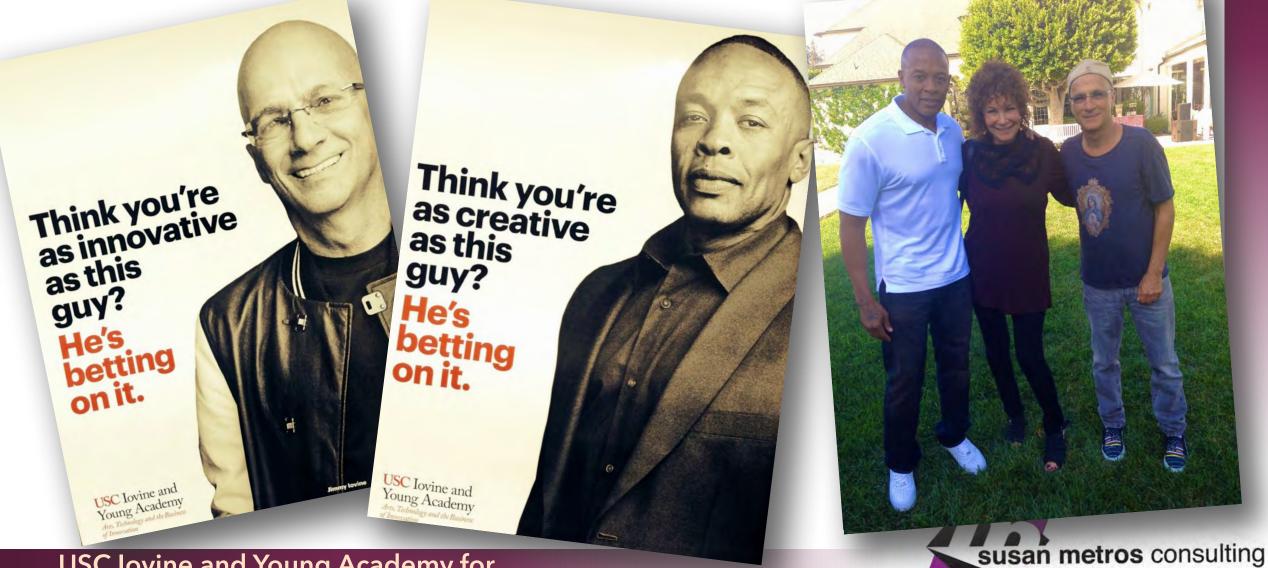
Levitt in Kelley and Kelley, 2013

## **Collaborate Across Disciplines**

- Build cross-functional teams
- Seek solutions that live at the intersections between disciplines

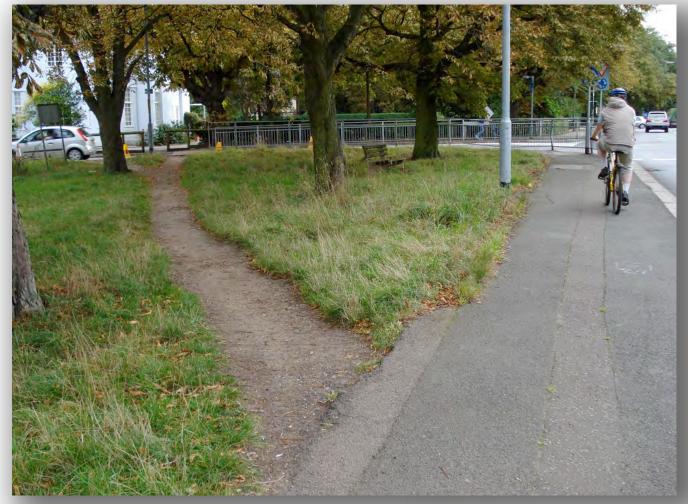


## **Collaborate Across Disciplines**



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## **Choose Desire Paths**



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## A problem solving technique that uses analogy to take things apart and put them back together in new ways

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Living Environment: Jukebox



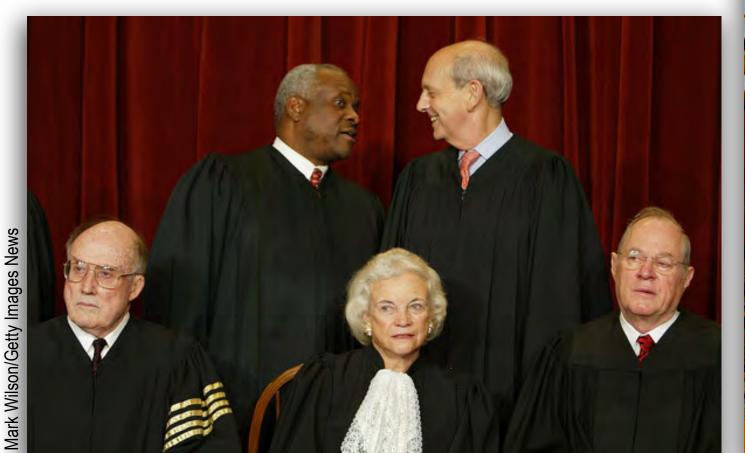
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#### Living Environment: Balancing Act



Living Environment: Flamingo





Living Environment: Sandra Day O'Connor and the Majority of the Supreme Court



## **Expiring Leader Tenets**

11. Be who you are... not what you do12. Everything is temporary13. Lead from within







Mitsuhashi, 2017

## Be Who You Are... ...Not What You Do



## **Everything is Temporary**



#### Go Down To The Shore

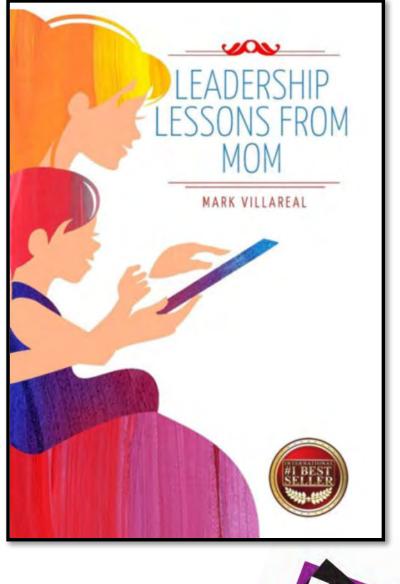
I go down to the shore in the morning and depending on the hour the waves are rolling in or moving out, and I say, oh, I am miserable, what shall—what should I do? And the sea says in its lovely voice: Excuse me, I have work to do.



#### Mary Oliver, A Thousand Mornings, 2012

## Lead from Within

#### Create your own leadership ideology...





## Lead from Within

### Create your own leadership ideology...

...based on your personal and professional experiences.

- I care deeply about animals.
- I love my family.
- I was my dad's caregiver until he died.
- I am moved to tears by Matisse's "Dance."
- I learned to row.
- I was fired from my very first job (on the very first day).
- I traveled to the Galápagos Islands.
- I contracted peritonitis and almost died.
- I went to Woodstock.
- I am an only child.
- I resigned a professorship upon being tenured.



June 18, 1984

Faculty and Staff

TO:

FROM: Bob Alexander, Acting Chairperson

SUBJECT: MEMO OF CONGRATULATIONS

Notice of Board Action has been received on the following:

Susan Metros promoted to Associate Professor with tenure and resignation accepted.

webster Smith approval for sabbatical/half pay September 1, 1984 to August 31, 1985.

Mel Leisercwitz approval for sabbatical leave/full pay April 1, 1985 - June 30, 1985.

It is my understanding that other faculty changes will be approved by the Board of Trustees. These will be noted in a separate memo.

Congratulations in order for the above.

## 5. In Summary: My Thirteen Leadership Tenets

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I don't know where I'm going from here, but I promise it won't be boring.

David Bowie



## **Stay in Touch!**

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