Trust the Process

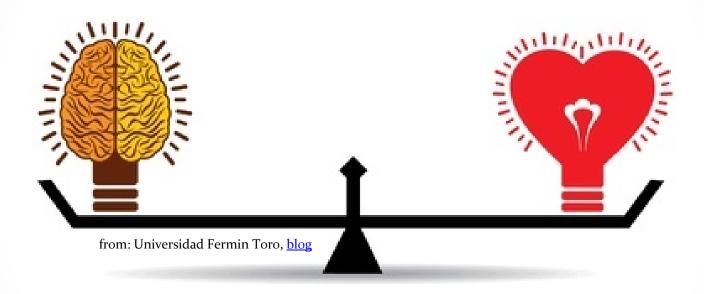
Re-Envisioning Library Organizations through User-Centered Practice



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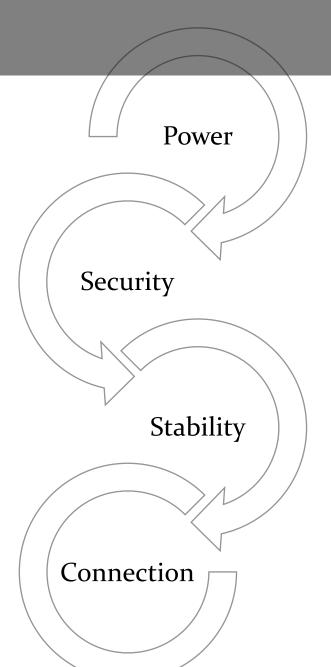
Organizational Culture

The Past

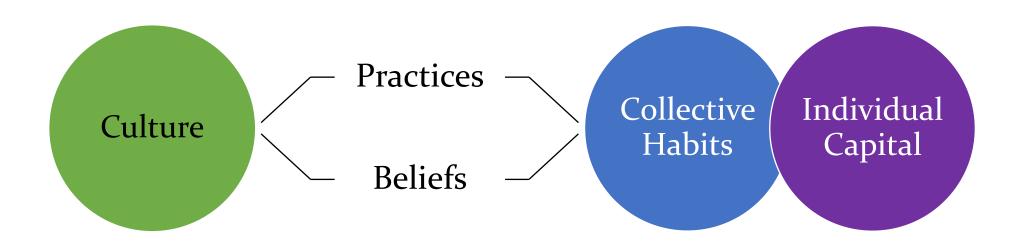


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Identity



Organizations

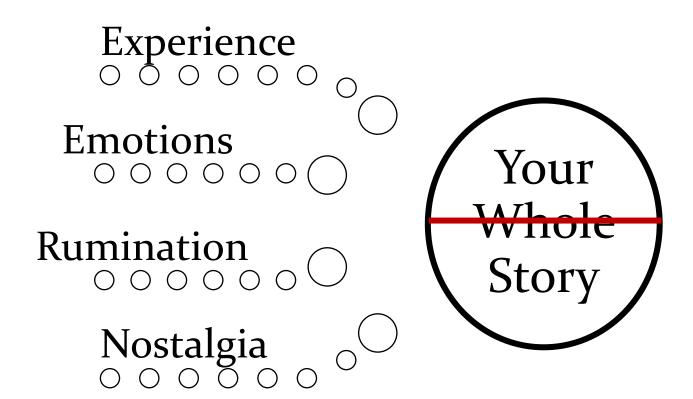




We already tried... We used to... I don't know how to... It's not my job to... I don't have time for... Why would we...



The Past



What are libraries if they are *not* defined by our identities, organizations, and prior experience?

User-Centered

Personas

Personal

Social

Positional

Organizational

Institutional

Professional

Identity

Personas

Fluid

Discovery

Contestable

Ambiguity

Negotiable

Liminality

Contextual

Self-Discovery

Zone of Proximal Development

What we can do with guidance from someone with more knowledge

What is currently beyond our grasp

What we can do based on prior knowledge and experience



thank you, Lev Vygotsky



Play with possibility & curiosity

How might we...?

What if we...?

Can you imagine if...?

Should we learn about...?

Have you ever heard of...?

What does our data tell us about...?

E t h n o g r a p h y

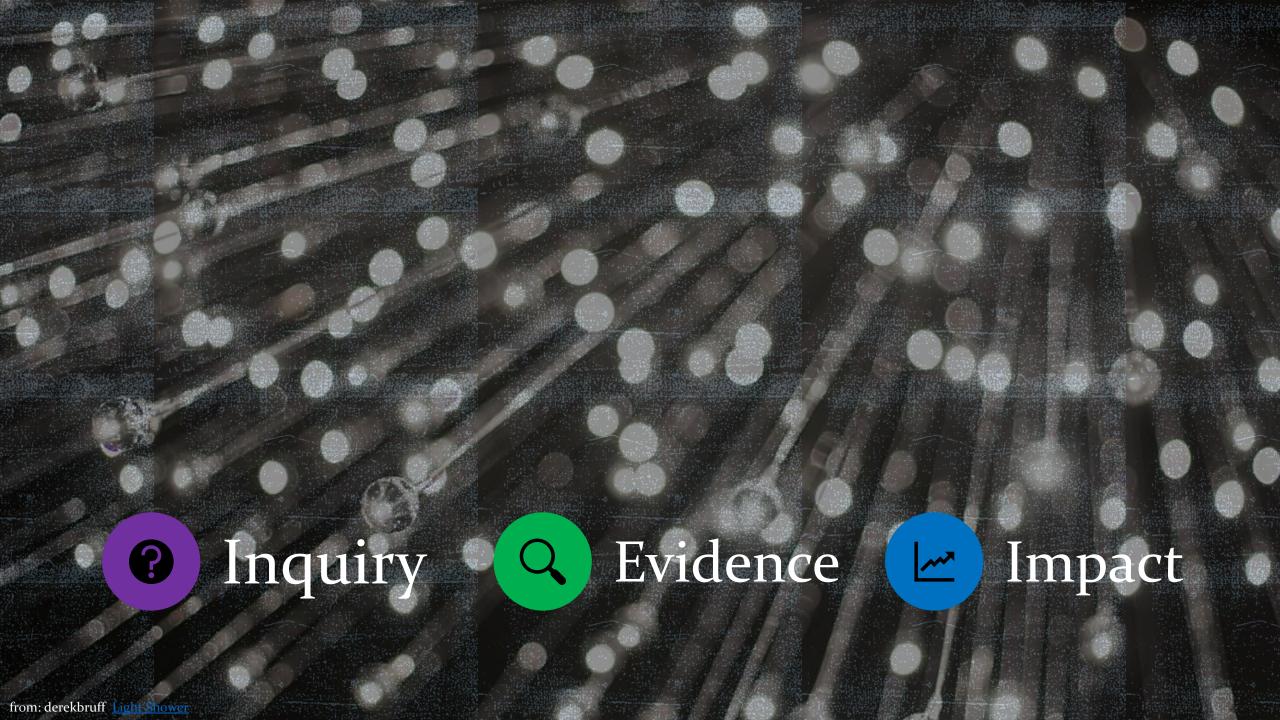
Collective inquiry

Close observations

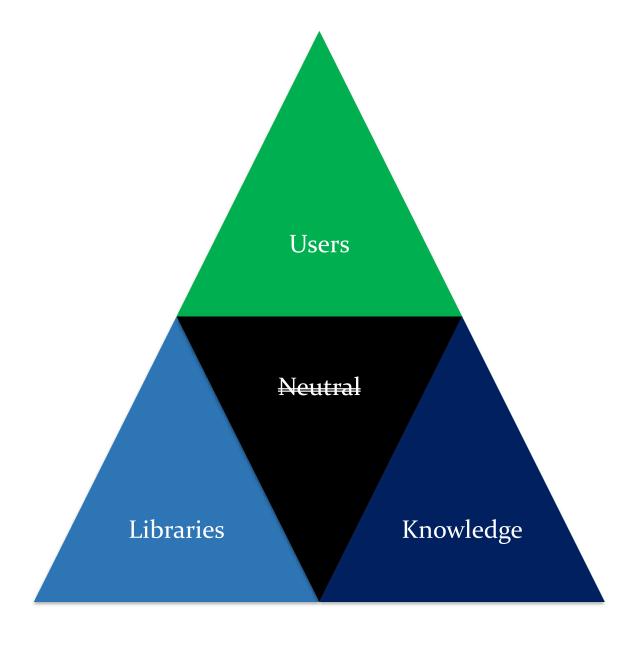
Complex processes

Evolving narratives

Deep understanding



Authenticity
+
Empowerment
=
Agency



Prologue

Past

Present

Evolving Narratives

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D e s i g n

Iterative

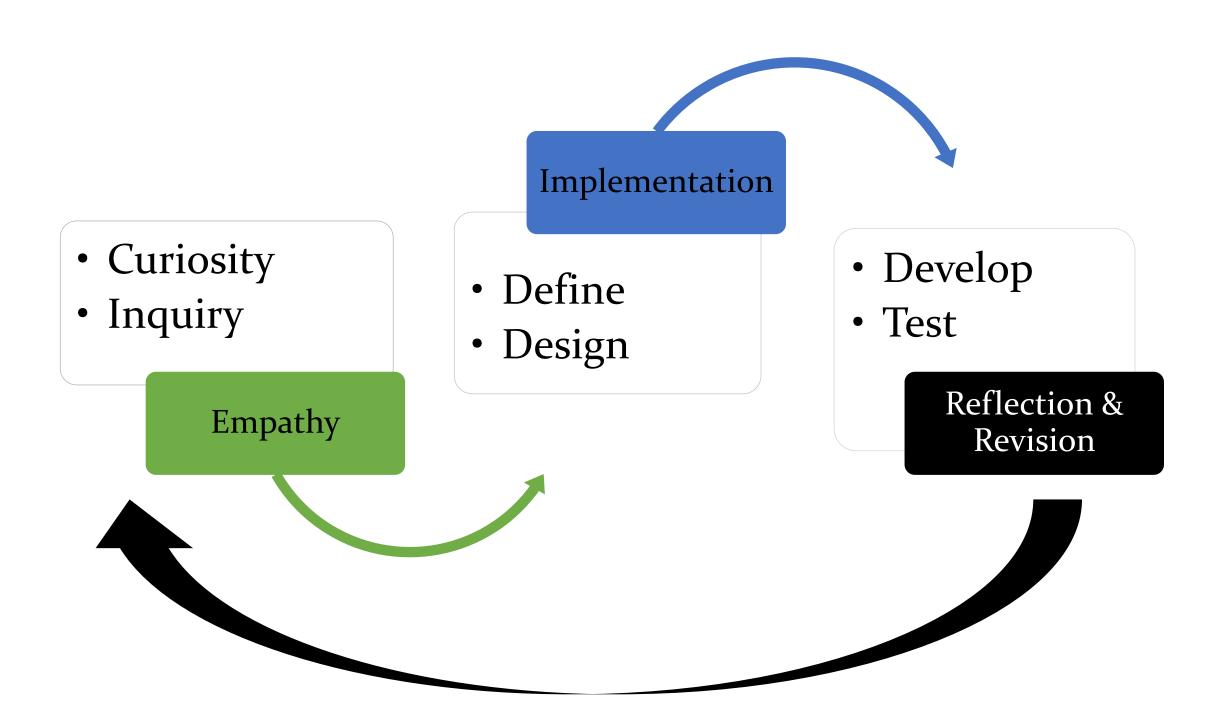
Collective

Innovative

Empathetic

Reward / Risk

Success / Failure



Process Product



Personas

- Re-envision identities
- Identify new roles
- Uncover strengths
- Make sense through play
- Reach the ZPD

Design Methods

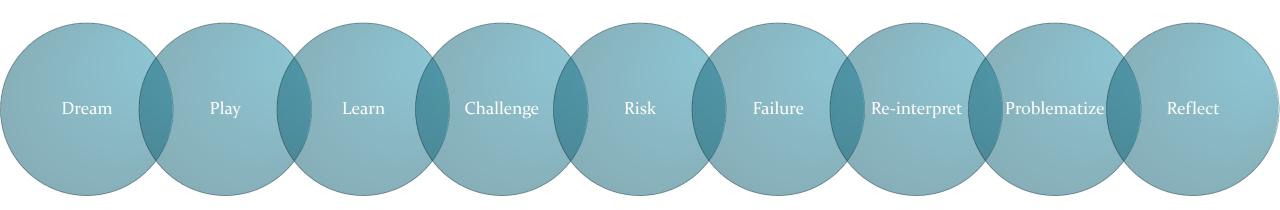
- Develop empathy for each other and learn about each other
- Reflect and reinterpret prior experience
- Practice iteration
- Take risks and expect failure
- View the system as a set of intrinsically interrelated parts

Ethnographic Principles

- Multiple stories define our collective role and purpose
- Adapt intentions, values, and culture through shared inquiry
- Co-create a sense of inclusiveness through journey or scenario mapping

UX Practices for Organizational Change

What do UX-based approaches require of us?





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