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## **Outside in**

What do the London Science Museum, California  
Shakespeare Theater, and ShaNaNa have in common?  
They are all fighting for relevance in an often  
indifferent world. The Art of Relevance is your guide

to mattering more to more people. You'll find inspiring examples, rags-to-relevance case studies, research-based frameworks, and practical advice on how your work can be more vital to your community. Whether you work in museums or libraries, parks or theaters, churches or afterschool programs, relevance can work for you. Break through shallow connection. Unlock meaning for yourself and others. Find true relevance and shine.

## **Things Are What You Make of Them**

### **Creative Confidence**

One of the world's leading creative artists, choreographers, and creator of the smash-hit Broadway show, *Movin' Out*, shares her secrets for developing and honing your creative talents—at once prescriptive and inspirational, a book to stand alongside *The Artist's Way* and *Bird by Bird*. All it takes to make creativity a part of your life is the willingness to make it a habit. It is the product of preparation and effort, and is within reach of everyone. Whether you are a painter, musician, businessperson, or simply an individual yearning to put your creativity to use, *The Creative Habit* provides you with thirty-two practical exercises based on the lessons Twyla Tharp has learned in her remarkable thirty-five-year career. In "Where's Your Pencil?" Tharp reminds you to observe the world -- and get it down on paper. In "Coins and Chaos," she gives you an easy way to restore order and peace. In "Do a

Verb," she turns your mind and body into coworkers. In "Build a Bridge to the Next Day," she shows you how to clean the clutter from your mind overnight. Tharp leads you through the painful first steps of scratching for ideas, finding the spine of your work, and getting out of ruts and into productive grooves. The wide-open realm of possibilities can be energizing, and Twyla Tharp explains how to take a deep breath and begin

## **Maximize Your Potential**

An empathetic guide to recovering your creative soul. Combining heartfelt personal stories with inspirational and practical insights, Mark Pierce demonstrates how we can overcome artistic anxiety, find renewed creative courage, and produce meaningful work that matters. "Simple, powerful, and works like pure magic. I haven't read a book that shook me up this much since *The War of Art* by Steven Pressfield. *The Creative Wound: Heal Your Broken Art* is a must-read--and an essential tool--for creative people across the globe."- Lauren Sapala, author of *Firefly Magic* and *The INFJ Writer* As an artist, you put your heart into what you do. It's the seat of all your work. But if your creative heart breaks, you lose all expressive power. Deep down, you know if this damage would only heal then freedom of movement would return and you'd discover all that you are truly capable of. But how? This book explains: \* Why your gift is desperately needed, especially as technology advances.\* What understanding your story will reveal to your future creative self. \* How to find inspiration

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when you're just not feeling it.\* When daydreaming is your best productivity option.\* How to own your own creativity and stop waiting for a big break.\* The power of curiosity in living a truly creative life.\* Effective ways to change course and find your true creative path. And that's just for starters Praise for THE CREATIVE WOUND "A soothing balm for your creative battle scars, this is a book for anyone who feels they have more to bring to the world but suffer doubt, feel ashamed, or wildly over-think their creativity. It gently equips you to direct your life's art with purpose and perspective, rather than allowing the pain to write for you. Happy healing!" - Andy Mort, musician, writer, and creator of The Gentle Rebel Podcast The Creative Wound is a book that will help you take that vital look inside, and offers great wisdom and practical tips toward rebuilding your creative foundations in a stronger, more positive way." - Rick Jesse, Dogtooth brand & experience design

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be familiar to readers of Elizabeth Gilbert's Big Magic, Steven Pressfield's The War Of Art, and Rob Bell's How To Be Here. It's time to heal your broken art.

## **The Creative Habit**

Two research analysts describe how companies can truly understand the real needs of their customers by seeing a business through their eyes and enforcing the concept of “customer service” through every facet of the company, from finance to legal to marketing.

## **Each of Us a Desert**

With the amount of progress the world has made in attitudes and achievements to-date, the time cannot be more apt than now for a celebration of women in the creative industry today. DESIGN(H)ERS is a stunning showcase of 30 female talents spanning across a variety of design mediums to highlight the diversity that women bring to their respective fields. With insightful interviews revolving around the thoughts and stories of pioneers who have already made their mark, this book serves to inspire and encourage the creatives of the future.

## **The Age of Conversation**

A practical handbook for every new manager charged with leading teams to creative brilliance, from the author of The Accidental Creative and Die Empty. New managers in creative fields got the job because they

were good at being makers--and learned to strategize their time, relationships, and mindset to produce the best creative work possible on their own. But when they're put in charge, the rules change, and they must unlearn their hard-won working habits in favor of new ones, and navigate a minefield of complex relational dynamics with colleagues and bosses. Successful leaders of creative teams have mastered the difficult transition from doing the work to leading the work, and this book shows how. Todd Henry picks up where *The Accidental Creative* left off, and provides an indispensable handbook of on-the-ground, tactical advice for new managers of creatives. He draws from interviews with brilliant leaders and his experience consulting in creative organizations to share a wealth of practical advice, including:

- Why conflict can be a good thing, and how to manage it in a healthy way.
- How to build time and attention buffers to protect your team's ability to do its best work.
- How to deal with the imbalance of power on your team, and manage inevitable struggles that arise.
- How to create "hunting trails" that will keep your team inspired and motivated to deliver brilliant work.
- Why you should still "get your hands dirty", even as you strive to remove yourself from the work.
- Why you should fight to measure value, not time, when evaluating your team's work.

## **Keep Going**

From award-winning author Mark Oshiro comes a powerful coming-of-age fantasy novel about finding home and falling in love amidst the dangers of a

desert where stories come to life Xochitl is destined to wander the desert alone, speaking her troubled village's stories into its arid winds. Her only companions are the blessed stars above and enigmatic lines of poetry magically strewn across dusty dunes. Her one desire: to share her heart with a kindred spirit. One night, Xo's wish is granted—in the form of Emilia, the cold and beautiful daughter of the town's murderous conqueror. But when the two set out on a magical journey across the desert, they find their hearts could be a match if only they can survive the nightmare-like terrors that arise when the sun goes down. Fresh off of *Anger Is a Gift's* smashing success, Oshiro branches out into a fantastical direction with their new YA novel, *Each of Us a Desert*. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

## **The Path of Least Resistance**

Behance.com is the world's largest network for showcasing and discovering creative work. In their first-ever book, Behance's expert curators share an inside look at the trends driving today's most exciting art and design creations.

## **Called to Be Creative**

From the creative mind and heart of Adam J. Kurtz comes this quirky, upbeat rallying cry for creators of all stripes. Expanding on a series of popular guides he's created for *Design\*Sponge*, this handwritten and

heartfelt little book shares wisdom and empathy from one working artist to others. The advice is organized by topic, including- - (How to) Get Over Comparing Yourself to Other Creatives - Seeking & Accepting Help from Others - How to Get Over Common Creative Fears (Maybe) - How to Be Happy (or Just Happier) As wry and cheeky as it is empathic and empowering, this deceptively simple, vibrantly full-color book will be a touchstone for writers, illustrators, designers, and anyone else who wants to be more creative--even when it would be easier to give up act normal.

## **The Rise of Superman**

Los Angeles of 2039 is a baffling and bifurcated place. After the Collapse of 2028, a vast section of LA, the Disincorporated Zone, was disowned by the civil authorities, and became essentially a third world country within the borders of the city. Navigating the boundaries between DZ and LA proper is a tricky task, and there's no one better suited than eccentric private investigator Erasmus Keane. When a valuable genetically altered sheep mysteriously goes missing from Esper Corporation's labs, Keane is the one they call. But while the erratic Keane and his more grounded partner, Blake Fowler, are on the trail of the lost sheep, they land an even bigger case. Beautiful television star Priya Mistry suspects that someone is trying to kill her - and she wants Keane to find out who. When Priya vanishes and then reappears with no memory of having hired them, Keane and Fowler realize something very strange is going on. As they unravel the threads of the mystery, it soon becomes



clear that the two cases are connected - and both point to a sinister conspiracy involving the most powerful people in the city. Saving Priya and the sheep will take all of Keane's wits and Fowler's skills, but in the end, they may discover that some secrets are better left hidden. Kroese's *The Big Sheep* is perfect for fans of Philip Dick's *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep*, Terry Pratchett's *Guards! Guards!*, and Scalzi's *Old Man's War*.

## **Manage Your Day-To-Day**

### **Hey, Whipple, Squeeze This**

#### **Make It Now!**

"Advice for those who work -- or desire to work -- in creative fields, such as writing, painting, acting, composing, or making crafts, with a focus on overcoming blocks and completing projects. Author has over three decades of experience working as a therapist and coach to creative clients"--Provided by publisher.

## **Motivation for Creative People**

'If you're stuck for an idea, have a big decision to handle or need a new perspective on a problem, here are some approaches for thinking, communicating and creativity. An upbeat guide that anyone can use to help with the big and small challenges we face

every day." Anthony Burrill A life-affirming guide to new thinking, creative problem-solving and getting things done from graphic artist Anthony Burrill. Full of inspiration and ideas, his best-loved prints as well as new work, this book will get you thinking bigger and better and recharge your creativity.

## **Design(h)ers**

The Path of Least Resistance: Learning to Become the Creative Force in Your Own Life, Revised and Expanded discusses how humans can find inspiration in their own lives to drive creative process. This book discusses that by understanding the concept of structure, we can reorder the structural make-up of our lives; this idea helps clear the way to the path of least resistance that will lead to the manifestation of our most deeply held desires. This text will be of great use to individuals who seek to use their own lives as the driving force of their creative process.

## **21 Insights for 21st Century Creatives**

From the moment we wake up and unlock our phones, we're producing data. We offer up our unique fingerprint to the online world, scan our route to work, listen to a guided meditation or favourite playlist, slide money around, share documents and update our social media accounts. We reach for our phones up to 200 times a day, not knowing which companies are storing, using, selling and manipulating our data. But do we care? We're busy. We've got lives. We're pressed for time! There aren't enough hours in the

day to read the terms and conditions. Or, maybe we're happy to trade our personal data for convenient services and to make our lives easier? Big data is the phenomenon of our age, but should we trust it without question? This is the trust dilemma. In 2009, Damian Bradfield founded WeTransfer, the largest file-sharing platform in the world with 50 million global users shipping more than one billion files of data a month. His unique experience of the big data economy has led him to question if there is another way to build the internet, one that is fairer and safer for everyone and, in *The Trust Manifesto*, he lays out this vision.

## **Routledge Handbook of Cultural and Creative Industries in Asia**

IDEO founder and Stanford d.school creator David Kelley and his brother Tom Kelley, IDEO partner and the author of the bestselling *The Art of Innovation*, have written a powerful and compelling book on unleashing the creativity that lies within each and every one of us. Too often, companies and individuals assume that creativity and innovation are the domain of the "creative types." But two of the leading experts in innovation, design, and creativity on the planet show us that each and every one of us is creative. In an incredibly entertaining and inspiring narrative that draws on countless stories from their work at IDEO, the Stanford d.school, and with many of the world's top companies, David and Tom Kelley identify the principles and strategies that will allow us to tap into our creative potential in our work lives, and in our

personal lives, and allow us to innovate in terms of how we approach and solve problems. It is a book that will help each of us be more productive and successful in our lives and in our careers.

## **Productivity for Creative People**

Recent years have witnessed the remarkable development of the cultural and creative industries (CCIs) in Asia, from the global popularity of the Japanese games and anime industries, to Korea's film and pop music successes. While CCIs in these Asian cultural powerhouses aspire to become key players in the global cultural economy, Southeast Asian countries such as Malaysia and Thailand are eager to make a strong mark in the region's cultural landscape. As the first handbook on CCIs in Asia, this book provides readers with a contextualized understanding of the conditions and operation of Asian CCIs. Both internationalising and de-Westernising our knowledge of CCIs, it offers a comprehensive contribution to the field from academics, practitioners and activists alike. Covering 12 different societies in Asia from Japan and China to Thailand, Indonesia and India, the themes include: State policy in shaping CCIs Cultural production inside and outside of institutional frameworks Circulation of CCIs products and consumer culture Cultural activism and independent culture Cultural heritage as an industry. Presenting a detailed set of case studies, this book will be an essential companion for researchers and students in the field of cultural policy, cultural and creative industries, media and

cultural studies, and Asian studies in general.

## **Make Your Mark**

'A book to devour from start to finish - easy to do as it is accessibly-written and oh so fascinating - and then to dip into later for reference.' - Joanna Reeves

Do you have a passion for making beautiful objects? Are you wondering whether you can take the next step and turn your creativity into a career? This inspirational guide offers easy-to-follow advice from talented and creative industry experts. There are practical exercises that will help you sell your creations, choose the right time to start your business, and guide you through as you do so. With *The Creative's Guide to Starting a Business*, you will discover the best way to:

- Create pieces that sell
- Write a business plan
- Identify and reach customers
- Research the competition
- Price products and test the market
- Promote the business successfully

Packed with interviews, encouraging real life stories, and tips from successful entrepreneurs who started with a passion and turned it into their own successful, creative business, this practical guide will take you through the very first steps of defining creative and financial success to ultimately establishing a rewarding start-up.

## **99 Creative WOWs Words of Wisdom for Business**

“This is a How To manual at the highest level from a man who has lived the life and has watched and worked intimately with hundreds of others who’ve

done the same. Indispensable reading for anyone in a creative field who is seeking to achieve not just a flash of brilliance but a lifelong career.” Steven Pressfield, bestselling author of *The War of Art* “I love my work so much I would do it for free.” Many creative people have uttered these words in a moment of enthusiasm—they express the joy of creative work. But they also hint at some of the pitfalls that lie in wait for creatives . . . In one sense, creative people have no problem with motivation. We fall in love with our creative work and pursue a career that allows us to do what we love every day.

Psychological research confirms what we know in our hearts: we are at our most creative when we are driven by intrinsic motivation—working for the sheer joy of it, regardless of rewards. Focusing on extrinsic motivation—such as money, fame, or other rewards—can kill your creativity. If you don’t feel excited by the task in front of you, it’s impossible to do your best work, no matter what rewards it might bring. You may be determined not to sell out, but selling yourself short can be just as damaging. And when it comes to public recognition, comparisonitis and professional jealousy can consume far too much of your creative energy. Working for love is all well and good, but if you’re a creative professional you can’t ignore the rewards: you need money to enjoy your life and to fund your projects. You may not need to be famous, but you do need a good reputation within your professional network. And if you’re in a fame-driven industry you need a powerful public profile, whether or not you enjoy the limelight. There’s a precious balance at play—get it wrong, and you could seriously damage your creativity and even

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your career. For the past twenty years creative coach Mark McGuinness has helped hundreds of creatives like you to overcome these challenges. In his latest book, *Motivation for Creative People*, Mark helps you rise to these challenges and create a fulfilling and rewarding creative career. All the solutions he shares have been tested with real people in real situations, including ways to:

- \* stay creative and in love with your work—even under pressure
- \* overcome Resistance to tackling your creative challenges
- \* reclaim your creative soul if you wander off your true path
- \* stop selling yourself short—and start reaping the rewards of your creativity
- \* attract the right kind of audience for your work
- \* cultivate an outstanding artistic reputation
- \* avoid destroying your creativity through attachment to money, fame, reputation, and other rewards
- \* surround yourself with people who support your creative ambitions
- \* avoid getting stuck in unhealthy comparisonitis or professional jealousy
- \* balance your inspiration, ambition, desires, and influences in the big picture of your creative career

*Motivation for Creative People* is the perfect guide to figuring out your different motivations and how they affect your creativity and career. The book is packed with practical advice and inspiring stories from Mark's own experience, his transformative work with coaching clients, and famous creators and creations—including Stanley Kubrick, Dante, The Smiths, Shakespeare, kabuki drama, and *Breaking Bad*. If you are serious about succeeding in your creative career—while staying true to your inspiration—read *Motivation for Creative People*

## **Super-Modified**

"I'm not creative. I could never do something like that. I don't have time to be creative." Does any of this sound familiar? Do you find yourself wishing that you had pursued your creative talents before it was too late? In a world full of creativity, there is no such thing as "too late." Called to Be Creative is for anyone looking to reignite that tiny spark inside of them and invite creativity into their lives through simple, everyday practices. A certified grief counselor and a Program Coordinator for Shalom Spirituality Center, Mary Potter Kenyon walks you step by step through the process of exploring your true potential in this inspirational guide to embracing your innate creativity. With in-depth research from the most notable creative authorities, insight from creative pioneers, her personal experiences, and small activities to kick-start your own creative revolution, Kenyon offers you everything you need to live a more creative life.

## **Creative Quest**

Offers insights on ways to meet the challenges of the workplace by building a daily routine and finding focus amid chaos.

## **Writing a Novel**

Presents twenty-one essays from leading innovative minds that offer advice on crafting a successful career by building valuable relationships, taking risks, and



## **A Beautiful Anarchy**

Feeling burned out by your business? Sick of the 'hustle and grind' culture of your industry? There's a better way! Get over your perfectionism and embrace the flow of the Chillpreneur. Denise Duffield-Thomas, money mindset coach and best-selling author, will show you how with her trademark humor and down-to-earth wisdom. In this book, she shares invaluable business advice and counterintuitive millionaire mindset lessons (no blood, sweat, or tears necessary) which will set you on the path of abundance - without all the hard work. You'll discover how to find the business model that works perfectly for your personality, learn about key concepts - such as the Golden Goose and the Keyless Life - to help you work less and earn more, and become a marketing pro without feeling like a sleazy car salesman. Plus, Denise talks you through the smaller - but no less important - details of being an entrepreneur, including how to deal with awkward money situations and find the most effective ways to price your offers. Full of reassuring and practical advice, Chillpreneur challenges the old, boring assumptions of what it takes to create success in business, so you can create financial independence with ease and grace.

## **The Creative Wound**

Insights to help you thrive as a creator amid the demands, distractions, and opportunities of the 21st

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century. Mark McGuinness has spent 21 years coaching creative professionals to achieve their artistic and career ambitions. In this book he shares 21 of the most powerful insights that have emerged from coaching conversations with hundreds of creatives - as well as from his own practice as an award-winning poet. Whether you are a fine artist, a performer or entertainer, a commercial creative, or a creative entrepreneur, many of your biggest challenges are the ones that are familiar to all creative professionals:

- \* Finding—and staying true to—your deepest sources of inspiration
- \* Carving out time to produce great work amid the demands and distractions of 21st century life
- \* Balancing creativity, money, and your professional ambitions
- \* Giving yourself a break from the relentless perfectionism of your Inner Critic
- \* Creating your own security in an uncertain world
- \* Believing in your vision when people around you just don't get it
- \* Deciding whether to approach publishers, record companies or other middlemen, or to “go direct” to your audience
- \* Attracting an audience from scratch, or breaking into a tightly networked industry as an outsider
- \* Dealing with rejection, criticism, and plain unvarnished failure
- \* Dealing with fear and anxiety—about your work, about your audience, about the critics, about failure, and even about success

Perhaps the biggest challenge faced by a 21st century creator is the one it's easiest to overlook when you're preoccupied with the demands of the day: How can you chart your course and make meaningful progress when you set out on an original path, where there is no conventional career ladder, no job security, and the usual rules don't apply? This book tackles these

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challenges head on, and it provides answers you won't find in books of traditional career advice: 1. Everything is powered by love 2. Reach for the stars 3. Something old, something new 4. Your creativity is your security 5. Forget the career ladder—start creating assets 6. Personal development is professional development (and vice versa) 7. Your struggle is a clue to your superpower 8. There are four types of work (and one matters more than the others) 9. Desire beats discipline 10. Your motivations are always mixed 11. Play the game you want to play 12. Pick two out of money, fame and artistic reputation 13. Find your medium, choose your media 14. Stay small, go global 15. Learn from the best in the world 16. Don't let the crappy part put you off 17. Be thankful for your Inner Critic 18. Hustling is part of your job 19. Stop trying to earn money—start creating value 20. You can have all the excuses you want 21. Courage may be the missing ingredient Mark has deliberately kept this book short, so that you can burn through it in one sitting for a burst of inspiration. Or keep it handy on your phone and consult it in the quiet moments of your day, or on those days when you need to dig deep for motivation.

## **Creative Calling**

Writing A Novel is not a set of rules and regulations. It is an atlas, a guide to finding your own way over the treacherous passes of your first novel. Pulling together his years of experience as a novelist and a teacher, Richard Skinner covers the basics of writing great fiction - narrators, characters, settings - with

charm and rigour. But more than that, he argues that the journey towards a final manuscript is as important as the finished article itself. His approach works: many of Richard's students have gone on to secure publishing deals and many more have left his courses with work to be proud of. With its balance of warmth and wisdom, Writing a Novel will give any aspiring writer the confidence to face the blank page -- and to fill it.

## **Called to Create**

### **Making Your Creative Mark**

A modern, no-nonsense guide to getting rid of email anxiety, reclaiming your productivity, and spending more time on the work that matters. Let's face it: Email is killing our productivity. The average person checks their email 11 times per hour, processes 122 messages a day, and spends 28 percent of their total workweek managing their inbox. What was once a powerful and essential tool for doing our daily work has become a near-constant source of frustration, anxiety, and distraction from our work. Unsubscribe will show you how to tame your inbox and reclaim your focus, with tips on how to: Break free from email addiction and the "inbox zero" obsession Build a daily email routine that reduces stress and anxiety Process your inbox based on what (and who) really matters to you Write messages that get people to pay attention and take action Set boundaries and say "no" to time-wasting distractions Plan your day around meaningful

work -- not busywork Productivity isn't about just "keeping busy," it's about leaving a legacy. Are you ready to Unsubscribe?

## **The Big Sheep**

Offers insights and advice from twenty-one entrepreneurs and experts on building a creative business.

## **The Art of Relevance**

How the world's leading innovators push their ideas to fruition again and again Edison famously said that genius is 1 percent inspiration, 99 percent perspiration. Ideas for new businesses, solutions to the world's problems, and artistic breakthroughs are common, but great execution is rare. According to Scott Branson, the capacity to make ideas happen can be developed by anyone willing to develop their organizational habits and leadership capability. That's why he founded Behance, a company that helps creative people and teams across industries develop these skills. Branson has spent six years studying the habits of creative people and teams that are especially productive-the ones who make their ideas happen time and time again. After interviewing hundreds of successful creatives, he has compiled their most powerful-and often counterintuitive-practices, such as:

- Generate ideas in moderation and kill ideas liberally
- Prioritize through nagging
- Encourage fighting within your team

While many of us obsess about discovering great new ideas, Branson

shows why it's better to develop the capacity to make ideas happen-a capacity that endures over time.

## **Chillpreneur**

Using years of research and interviews with adventure sports athletes, the New York Times best-selling author of *Abundance* and *A Small, Fury Prayer* attempts to unlock the secrets to ultimate human performance and the state of consciousness called "flow." 25,000 first printing.

## **Making Ideas Happen**

Biz Stone, the co-founder of Twitter, discusses innovation, creativity and the secrets of being a successful entrepreneur, through stories from his remarkable life and career. *THINGS A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME* From GQ's 'Nerd of the Year' to one of Time's most influential people in the world, Biz Stone represents different things to different people. But he is known to all as the creative, effervescent, funny, charmingly positive and remarkably savvy co-founder of Twitter -- the social media platform that singlehandedly changed the way the world works. Now, Biz tells fascinating, pivotal, and personal stories from his early life and his careers at Google and Twitter, sharing his knowledge about the nature and importance of ingenuity today. In Biz's world:

- Opportunity can be manufactured
- Great work comes from abandoning a linear way of thinking
- Creativity never runs out
- Asking questions is free
- Empathy is core to personal and global success

In this book, Biz

also addresses failure, the value of vulnerability, ambition, and corporate culture. Whether seeking behind-the-scenes stories, advice, or wisdom and principles from one of the most successful businessmen of the new century, THINGS A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME will satisfy every reader.

## **Things A Little Bird Told Me**

"In what began as a half dare, the editors challenged bloggers around the world to contribute one page--400 words--on the topic of 'conversation.' The resulting book, The age of conversation, brings together over 100 of the world's leading marketers, writers, thinkers, and creative innovators"--P. [4] of cover.

## **Herding Tigers**

#1 New York Times Bestseller Over 1 million copies sold In this generation-defining self-help guide, a superstar blogger cuts through the crap to show us how to stop trying to be "positive" all the time so that we can truly become better, happier people. For decades, we've been told that positive thinking is the key to a happy, rich life. "F\*\*k positivity," Mark Manson says. "Let's be honest, shit is f\*\*ked and we have to live with it." In his wildly popular Internet blog, Manson doesn't sugarcoat or equivocate. He tells it like it is—a dose of raw, refreshing, honest truth that is sorely lacking today. The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F\*\*k is his antidote to the coddling, let's-all-feel-good mindset that has infected American

society and spoiled a generation, rewarding them with gold medals just for showing up. Manson makes the argument, backed both by academic research and well-timed poop jokes, that improving our lives hinges not on our ability to turn lemons into lemonade, but on learning to stomach lemons better. Human beings are flawed and limited—"not everybody can be extraordinary, there are winners and losers in society, and some of it is not fair or your fault." Manson advises us to get to know our limitations and accept them. Once we embrace our fears, faults, and uncertainties, once we stop running and avoiding and start confronting painful truths, we can begin to find the courage, perseverance, honesty, responsibility, curiosity, and forgiveness we seek. There are only so many things we can give a f\*\*k about so we need to figure out which ones really matter, Manson makes clear. While money is nice, caring about what you do with your life is better, because true wealth is about experience. A much-needed grab-you-by-the-shoulders-and-look-you-in-the-eye moment of real-talk, filled with entertaining stories and profane, ruthless humor, *The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F\*\*k* is a refreshing slap for a generation to help them lead contented, grounded lives.

## **The Creative's Guide to Starting a Business**

We were created by an infinitely creative God to reflect his love and character to the world. One way we do that is by continuing his creative work. In this energizing book, serial entrepreneur and bestselling



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NAMED A MOST ANTICIPATED BOOK OF 2018 BY Esquire • PopSugar • The Huffington Post • BuzzFeed • Publishers Weekly A unique new guide to creativity from Questlove—inspirations, stories, and lessons on how to live your best creative life

Questlove—musician, bandleader, designer, producer, culinary entrepreneur, professor, and all-around

cultural omnivore—shares his wisdom on the topics of inspiration and originality in a one-of-a-kind guide to living your best creative life. In *Creative Quest*, Questlove synthesizes all the creative philosophies, lessons, and stories he’s heard from the many creators and collaborators in his life, and reflects on his own experience, to advise readers and fans on how to consider creativity and where to find it. He addresses many topics—what it means to be creative, how to find a mentor and serve as an apprentice, the wisdom of maintaining a creative network, coping with critics and the foibles of success, and the specific pitfalls of contemporary culture—all in the service of guiding admirers who have followed his career and newcomers not yet acquainted with his story. Whether discussing his own life or channeling the lessons he’s learned from forefathers such as George Clinton, collaborators like D’Angelo, or like-minded artists including Ava DuVernay, David Byrne, Björk, and others, Questlove speaks with the candor and enthusiasm that fans have come to expect. *Creative Quest* is many things—above all, a wise and wide-ranging conversation around the eternal mystery of creativity.

## **The Trust Manifesto**

In a book perfect for readers of Charles Duhigg’s *The Power of Habit*, David Eagleman’s *Incognito*, and Leonard Mlodinow’s *Subliminal*, the cognitive neuroscientists who discovered how the brain has aha moments—sudden creative insights—explain how they happen, when we need them, and how we can

have more of them to enrich our lives and empower personal and professional success. Eureka or aha moments are sudden realizations that expand our understanding of the world and ourselves, conferring both personal growth and practical advantage. Such creative insights, as psychological scientists call them, were what conveyed an important discovery in the science of genetics to Nobel laureate Barbara McClintock, the melody of a Beatles ballad to Paul McCartney, and an understanding of the cause of human suffering to the Buddha. But these moments of clarity are not given only to the famous. Anyone can have them. In *The Eureka Factor*, John Kounios and Mark Beeman explain how insights arise and what the scientific research says about stimulating more of them. They discuss how various conditions affect the likelihood of your having an insight, when insight is helpful and when deliberate methodical thought is better suited to a task, what the relationship is between insight and intuition, and how the brain's right hemisphere contributes to creative thought. Written in a lively, engaging style, this book goes beyond scientific principles to offer productive techniques for realizing your creative potential—at home and at work. The authors provide compelling anecdotes to illustrate how eureka experiences can be a key factor in your life. Attend a dinner party with Christopher Columbus to learn why we need insights. Go to a baseball game with the director of a classic Disney Pixar movie to learn about one important type of aha moment. Observe the behind-the-scenes arrangements for an Elvis Presley concert to learn why the timing of insights is crucial. Accessible and compelling, *The Eureka Factor* is a fascinating look at

the human brain and its seemingly infinite capacity to surprise us. Praise for *The Eureka Factor* “Delicious . . . In *The Eureka Factor*, neuroscientists John Kounios and Mark Beeman give many other examples of [a] kind of lightning bolt of insight, but back this up with the latest brain-imaging research.”—*Newsweek* “An incredible accomplishment . . . [*The Eureka Factor*] is not just a chronicle of the journey that numerous scientists (including the authors) have taken to examine insight but is also a fascinating guide to how advances in science are made in general. Messrs. Kounios and Beeman examine how a parade of clever experiments can be designed to answer specific questions and rule out alternative possibilities. . . . Wonderful ideas appear as if out of nowhere—and we are delighted.”—*The Wall Street Journal* “An excellent title for those interested in neuroscience or creativity . . . The writing is engaging and readable, mixing stories of famous perceptions with explanations of how such revelations happen.”—*Library Journal* (starred review) “A lively and accessible ‘brain’ book with wide appeal.”—*Booklist* “[An] ingenious, thoughtful update on how the mind works.”—*Kirkus Reviews* “*The Eureka Factor* presents a fascinating and illuminating account of the creative process and how to foster it.”—James J. Heckman, Nobel laureate in economics From the Hardcover edition.

## **The Eureka Factor**

The world is crazy. Creative work is hard. And nothing is getting any easier! In his previous books—*Steal Like an Artist* and *Show Your Work!*, *New York Times*

bestsellers with over a million copies in print combined—Austin Kleon gave readers the key to unlock their creativity and then showed them how to share it. Now he completes his trilogy with his most inspiring work yet. *Keep Going* gives the reader life-changing, illustrated advice and encouragement on how to stay creative, focused, and true to yourself in the face of personal burnout or external distractions. Here is how to Build a Bliss Station—a place or fixed period where you can disconnect from the world. How to see that Every Day Is Groundhog Day—yesterday’s over, tomorrow may never come, so just do what you can do today. How to Forget the Noun, Do the Verb—stop worrying about being a “painter” and just paint. Keep working. Keep playing. Keep searching. Keep giving. Keep living. Keep Going. It’s exactly the message all of us need, at exactly the right time.

## **The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F\*ck**

Life isn’t about “finding” fulfillment and success – it’s about creating it. Why then has creativity been given a back seat in our culture? No longer. Creativity is a force inside every person that, when unleashed, transforms our lives and delivers vitality to everything we do. Establishing a creative practice is therefore our most valuable and urgent task - as important to our well-being as exercise or nutrition. The good news? Renowned artist, author, and CreativeLive founder, Chase Jarvis, reminds us that creativity isn't a skill—it's a habit available to everyone: beginners and lifelong creators, entrepreneurs to executives, astronauts to zookeepers, and everyone in between.

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Through small, daily actions we can supercharge our innate creativity and rediscover our personal power in life. Whether your ambition is a creative career, completing a creative project, or simply cultivating a creative mindset, Creative Calling will unlock your potential via Jarvis's memorable "IDEA" system:

- Imagine your big dream, whatever you want to create—or become—in this world.
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- Execute on your ambitious plans and make your vision real.
- Amplify your impact through a supportive community you'll learn to grow and nurture.

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