

ICA Social Research Center Spring 2020 Sojourn Report May 10-13



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Historical Records

*Processing
and Managing Files*

*Finessing Virtual
Technology*

Creating The Future Of Our Past

*Focusing Collection
Research*

*Developing
Global Networks*

Knowledge Engagement

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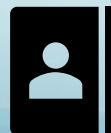
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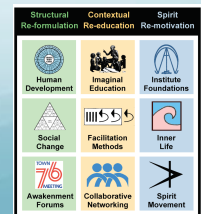


Human Development

1. The collection is a treasure trove of how to take action showing how to connect the impoverished local with Global resources, but it needs translation. Local leadership development is key to complexity and scale
2. New research is needed to understand how to scale from local demonstrations using newer methods such as agile development and rethinking what local includes
3. The Covid-19 event has deeply called into question the Global Economic, Political and Cultural processes and the rise of the “Hyper-Local”
4. New research is needed into virtual consult methods, addressing the victimhood of fear, and rethinking the local, regional and global dynamics.
5. The youth, women’s and justice movements are all looking for effective Human Development.



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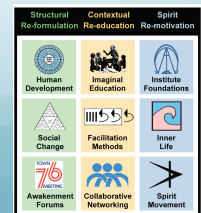
Social Change

The Social Change Collection shares the experience of a body of people who, with serious intent, sought to alter the course of history in the latter half of the Twentieth Century.

During the May 2020 Social Research Sojourn Participants explored the collection and answered these questions:

- What will it take to release large amounts of sustained human energy towards significant social (economic, political and cultural) change over the rest of this century?
- What do we have to offer?

In the midst of a dizzying amount of chaos and confusion during the online session, the 33 participants, working in small groups were able to answer these “big” questions. The following is the gestalt summary of their work.



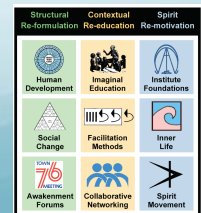


IT WILL TAKE:

1. Collective contributions of many efforts in many areas, sectors, ways and movements
2. Many Vocational Decisions to see going thru this as our personal & professional responsibility
3. Leveraging the Positive Pressure of Contingency to Move Us Forward
4. Supporting each other's basic livelihood
5. Cultivating a Next Shared Practical Vision of possibility
6. Re-Examining and Re-figuring our assumptions, understandings and values
7. Summoning, Tapping into the Spiritual Courage and Skill to Thrive



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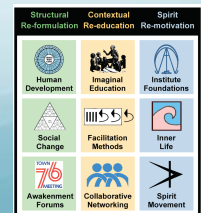


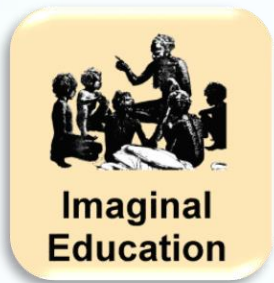
Awakenment Forums

1. Rethink the Social Process Triangle so that RESOURCES are not something to be used. Reinvent the model.
2. Key into the formal Youth Movements such as Sunrise and Greta Thunberg's Group
3. There are 3 "new life" systems to recognize and work with: the three pandemics*
 - corona virus (health)
 - violence (safety)
 - climate crisis (environment)
4. Politically, networks are now working together: State Governors and Big City Mayors
5. We need simplified participation methods so they can be broadly shared.
6. Virtual technology is pulling people together.



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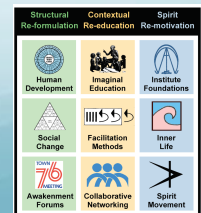


Imaginal Education

1. Involve **youth** in creating this collection and linking to it; tap their stories from their early education experiences; invite them onto ICA-USA board. Collaborate with university students to take website to next level.
2. Encourage more people to **be storytellers** of their experiences to share on the website, particularly about the past thirty years.
3. Refocus **IE history** to highlight today's work and experiences. Add more photos and videos. Find ways to make insights accessible to educators, librarians, after-school programs today. Explore new areas where IE can address needs such as trauma and emerging leadership.
4. Analyze what is happening today in the **cultural** dimension of society: **strengthening** (e.g., health care sharing ventilators across the nation), values are being rethought, and new priorities are emerging in dealing with social and environmental justice.

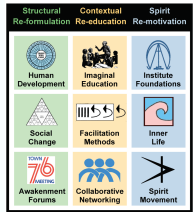


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Facilitation Methods



Insights for Facilitation Methods Collection

Key Insight 1	Key Insight 2	Key Insight 3
<p>J. Weigel</p> <p>ToP is where it is because of several decades of work creating the products and so on so it could become viable on its own not only for order members</p>	<p>There are lots of methods</p>	<p>We need a different dream (that is to say, I barely had 2)</p>
<p>B. Griffith</p> <p>Huge available resource with participation.</p>	<p>Group was diverse and I think we could do FM Collection Introduction with, say ToP Trainers</p>	<p>More work to do on collection to deepen it.</p>
<p>P. Tuecke</p> <p>There are many ways to design conversation and dialogue for myriad kinds of gatherings that engage people in their life and work today. group leaders can</p>	<p>Lots of old language but the life experience is authentic and be brought into the future. relatable and can be articulated by to young leaders in their own language, new questions, for new situations.</p>	<p>It's personally humbling to see what we have done in the past to offer the world as guideposts to the new world, and that we are doing with this archive experience.</p>
<p>S. Walker</p> <p>Work is good so far, much more to do re new users (without ICA/ToP history)</p>	<p>Mastery section could use a team to take on what REALLY needs to be there.</p>	<p>The world needs us to work fast and find multiple strong ways to get it known and accessible.</p>
<p>J. Watts</p> <p>Infinite ways to approach and acting out your caring for yourself and all our fellow human beings</p>	<p>Participating with a group of others who share your particular value and assumptions are energizing</p>	<p>Our learnings on how to engage with each other and continue the researching and training of the processes that accelerate the positive movements that will be of benefit to all of us who occupy this planet</p>



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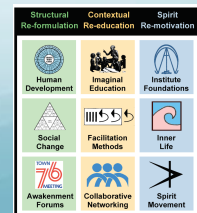


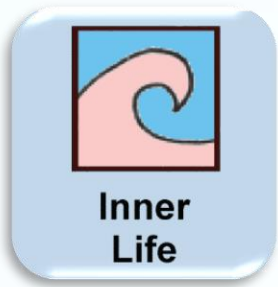
Collaborative Networking

1. ICA as an organization has opportunities to participate in global structures including Movement Of Movements.
2. Past experiences of building a global of movement of Those Who Care, Provides wisdom to contribute to other movements
3. Individually, people associated with ICA have a wide range of contacts



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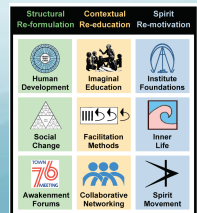


Inner Life

1. The Other World is an existential experience.
2. The images on the screen in collection session centers one when the mind wanders restoring one to a right-filled mind.
3. About all the planet, seeing wonder in a single leaf.
4. Stories will keep the collection from abstractness.
5. Cultural processes of the social process are becoming new.
6. Time to take the wraps off of the inner life and give to the world.



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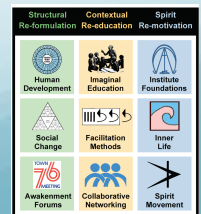


Spirit Movement

1. Rework the items so people who have never heard of the ICA can use them for post-pandemic life.
2. We should add a lot more practical items including “this is a story of what actually happened.”
3. Nothing that someone else has done in the 60s or 70s will work now but anything that was done can be a spark for someone to take something for today’s world.
4. How to refocus on how to be the trans-establishment.
5. What if we had websites that raise questions so they can be shown the materials we have for the question they’re asking?
6. We need the necessary deliverer. SO-- We need a marketing task force.
7. Earth care certified congregations could get their heads together and say how does this apply-what both groups doing?
8. Connect to the incredible resource of the ToP network. Maximize the exposure to that network. There is a module on this in Australia.



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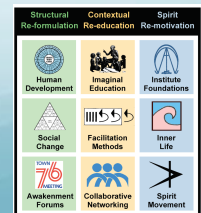
Institute Foundations

(Closing Session)

1. The new form of the Social Research Center is being implemented as intersecting globally distributed virtual teams.
2. Sojourn participants experienced the Sojourn as a Virtual Global Research Assembly.
3. Research is focused on the historical collections, how they have developed and are relevant to today.
4. The collection framework can be used as a comprehensive screen for rethinking the Institutes' mission today both as inspirational movement and the intersecting institutional forms.
5. The Institute is moving toward a “virtual Hocracy” implemented through an evolving digital habitat.



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