# **Creative Confidence**



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## **Overall Problem & Solution**

- ➤ Creativity is a world view
- Few tools to *develop* a creative intuition
- Creativity is often difficult to achieve
  - Lack of inspiration
  - Fear of judgement
  - Societal influences limit creativity

# A private space to record, exercise, and integrate creativity.

## **Contextual Inquiry**

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**Brian -** an intercollegiate debate coach who is well known within the debate community. He doesn't consider himself creative but his job includes counterintuitively creative elements.

**Sonja** - 22 year old industrial design student at U. of Oregon who was visiting the d. school. She is a problem solver, and allowed great insight into current tools.

**James** - Professional dancer and choreographer on Broadway - got a phone interview with him. We initially thought he would be a target user, he gave insight into the creative process.

## Workspaces



## **Contextual Inquiry Results**

#### **The Creative Process**

- Associative Ideation
  - Draw inspiration from multiple sources
- Occurs spontaneously, often during mundane situations, or in comfort zones
- On-the-spot thinking
- > Needs to be integrated into daily life/tasks
  - Creativity takes mental energy
  - People are less likely to go out of their way to be creative if it's not "demanded" in their profession

# **Task Analysis**

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#### **OUR IDEAL USERS**

#### Non-Creative professionals

#### Can be Involved with:

- ➤ Idea generation
  - > Research
- > Problem solving

### **TASKS AS DESIRED AND LEARNED**

- ➤ Find inspiration
- Practice creative skills
- Capture insightful moments and ideas

#### Achieved through:

- Intuition and repetition
- > Experimenting
- Positive reinforcement

### WHERE USERS WORK

- > Office
- At home/bedroom
- > While walking in the park
- ➤ Coffee Shop

#### No judgement zone



#### **AVAILABLE TOOLS**

- > YouTube videos
- > Arrows/circling on whiteboard

> Logbook

\*These tools need to be actively sought out

> Need to be integrated with daily life

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#### **USER COMMUNICATION**

- > Whiteboard/post-it notes
- $\succ$  Talking to each other

> Our idea = creativity as an internal process
 ○ Idea Genesis (Internal) → Feedback (External)

# **Three Representative Tasks**

### **TASK 1: Capture and Save**

# Record ideas and insights and save for later ➤ For spontaneous and on-the-go creation

#### **TASK 2: Connect the Dots**

#### Draw connections and associations

> Link seemingly unrelated ideas together  $\rightarrow$  new idea!

#### **TASK 3: Maintain Momentum**

#### Keep continuous flow of inspiration

- > How to minimize times of "feeling stuck"
- Step away from the process to refocus
   Remain open to inspiration

# **Application Ideas**

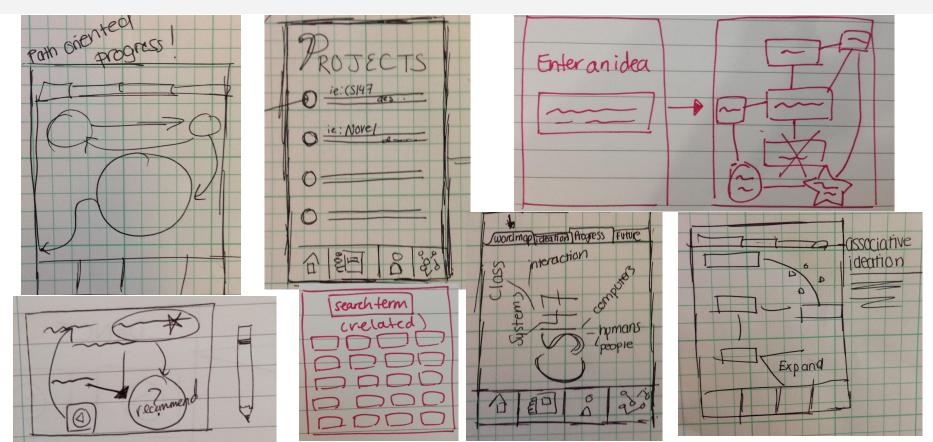
#### **PROJECT-ORIENTED**

- Project Lists
  - Creative Zones

#### - **Research** Oriented Tools

- Search Term Mapping / Association
- Discovery Visualization
- Language Processing Based Ideation
- Chronological Progress Charting

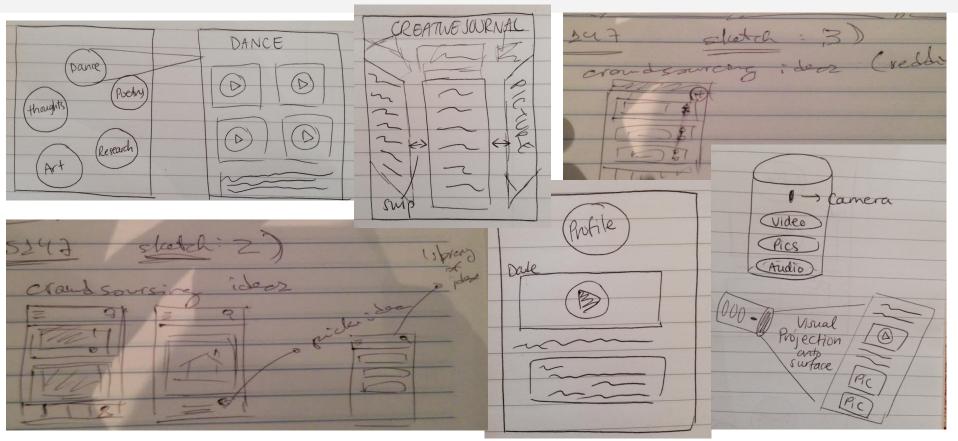
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#### WORLDVIEW

- ➤ Integrated Creativity
- > A New Way of **Thinking** 
  - Observation Processing
  - Associating Observations
- Recording Ideas
  - Text, Audio, Video
- Idea Visualization

#### WORLDVIEW

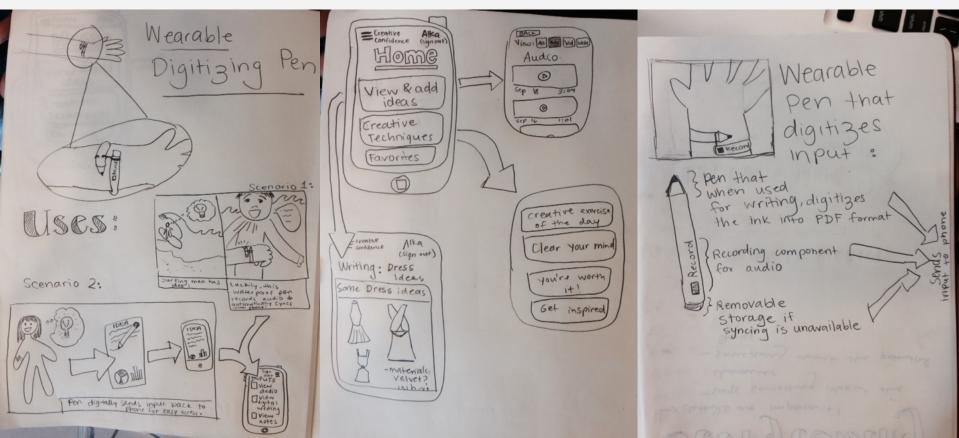


### **CREATIVE DIGITIZED DIARY**

#### Journal day-to-day progress

- Encouraging daily thought -- automatically logged
- Reminders to log
- Accessible at any point in the day-- wearable!
- Structured loosely more like a diary, but varied input types
- ➤ Timeline view see progress over time
  - Not geared towards a **specific** end
  - Personal growth

## **Creative Digitized Diary**



## Summary

Creative Confidence is an integrated, daily-use tool used for developing creative intuition through repetition and associative ideation.