## Courageously Creative: Reimagining Experiences with Design Thinking

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## Hello!

## I am Jessica Dang

My role is to make government more human

## Ice Breaker

## Find a partner

 Share a memorable moment from this morning



#### What we think creativity looks like



#### What creativity feels like

## What it is

## cre·a·tiv·i·ty

the ability to create the use of imagination

## Chaos or Opportunity?



## "Look what I made!"





## Understand people deeply

## **Experiment your** way forward

## FOUR GUIDING QUESTIONS

## Understand



## WHAT DO WE NOTICE?

## Abstract



Create

## Concrete

# Reframed problem

How might we capitalize on children's **amazing imagination** to transform the radiology experience into a positive and memorable adventure?





May 22, 2018

Name

**Design Challenge** 

of recipients

90%

called

Letter Id: 123456

#### Notification of Audit

Your business has been selected for an audit by the Department of Licensing Prorate and Fuel Tax Services. I would like to conduct this audit starting on July 16, 2018. I will contact you within a few weeks to schedule the audit. Enclosed is information about the audit process.

The following accounts have been selected for audit:

Account Number	Туре	Audit Period
000	IRP Fleet	May 01, 2017 - Apr 30, 2018
000	IFTA Carrier	Apr 01, 2015 - Jun 30, 2018

#### Service Bureaus

If you are a service bureau or accounting firm handling the licensees' business reporting, please provide a copy of the service agreement or power of attorney. Without this information, we cannot share the audit findings with you.

#### Questions

I can be reached at phone/email. My mailing address is:

Department of Licensing Prorate and Fuel Tax Audit Section 9107 N Country Homes Blvd, Ste 7 Spokane WA 99218-2069

Signature

Enclosures

## Design Challenge

#### **Reframed Problem**

 How might we remove fear and anxiety in the audit process?

### Agency Design Challenge

How might we...

- Use the initial point of contact (in writing) to ensure all taxpayers understand how to be successful?
- Make it easier for taxpayers to track/submit documents (helps us and them)?
- Streamline educational efforts to reach all taxpayers and their representatives?



#### annual or semi-annual fee schedule t climinate most record hank







## DATA

## **INSIGHTS**



## Imagine the meaning (notice something, then infer what the meaning might be)

Write each of these as a sentence.
It's interesting/surprising/telling that s/he [SOMETHING YOU HEARD]
Maybe this tells me s/he is trying to [WHAT IS S/HE TRYING TO ACHIEVE OR ACCOMPLISH?]
Because/and/but I surmise that [HOW DOES S/HE WANT TO FEEL? WHAT DOES S/HE BELIEVE? WHAT'S GETTING IN

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

## **SOLUTIONS**





# Personal Design Behaviors

- Keep humans at the center of the process
  (consistently talking to or about real people)
- Suspend judgement
- Sit comfortably with ambiguity
- Show unfinished work
- Rapidly experiment (bias towards action, take risks)
- Visualize the complexity, and then target your intervention (don't design for everyone)
- Make ideas visible (create shared assets)
- Have fun



## The big idea

Start with the people and trust the process.





"Design to learn, not because you want people to like it." - Mike Rothe





Interview your partner about his/her <u>experiences in a new city.</u>



Hear, a good story



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does it mean?

ninking of what might be the g behind what you heard.







## Create a brainstorming question

#### How might [circle one context]

- A MUSEUM A LOCAL RESTAURANT A TRAVEL OR TOUR AGENCY A BANK A CHARITY
- A SHOPPING DISTRICT OR STORE A HOTEL A PUB OR BAR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION A HOST OR GUIDE

#### help my partner to [a need]

with the realization that [an insight]



Frame a new question and generate a diverse set of concepts in response.



## Come up with ideas with a new partner

(share your question, then brainstorm together)



1 min share, 4 min brainstorm, each





Pick an idea and stay in a generative mode as you work out the details.

# Choose one idea and flesh it out into a product or service (what is it? how does one use it?)



# Sketch it out





## Bring your solution to life

(create a world where your solution already exists)

└---► 7 min

Consider these aspects of the experience you are creating:

> SCENE The context of experience

ROLES People involved in experience (you may want to play one yourself)

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PROPS Simple tangible things in experience



Make it tangible

Create a way for your partner to experience your concept.







# **DEBRIEF**(What did you just do?)





#### What was it like to start with a conversation, and focus on stories?

#### How did it feel to infer meaning from what you heard?



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# Reflect on it

How was it to **frame a** new question?

How did you like generating ideas with new partner?

How did it feel to prototype your concept in low resolution?









## Any questions ?

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