

POP (Place Of Possibility)

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FORMAT:

Group size: no limit to group size, although 200 is a reasonable maximum,
Duration: 1-3 days, all night long if desired

PURPOSE:

To liberate massive creativity simultaneously in a large group of human beings in a safe, fun and productive way. Use to ignite and synergize the creative force of individuals in a group field for starting, reorganizing or moving forward projects of a diverse nature simultaneously. Results are depicted in graphic mind maps. Useful for creating unexpected collaborations across a wide variety of endeavors.

SETUP:

I have had children, dogs, babies, etc. at POPs for added chaos. I put masking tape designs all over the floor, spirals, paths to doorways in the walls, kids skipping games, etc

INTRO / BACKGROUND:

INSTRUCTIONS / PROCEDURE:

What is crucial for creating and sustaining POP is the Space that you call in. If you do firewalking and the firewalking Space is not called in you burn your feet. With the people you have helping you it will be no problem to call in and hold the Space of Possibility. It would be good to do a two-hour practice run with them before you start. The main thing is to keep them rotating around from workplace to workplace asking people dangerous questions. Empower them to cut loose and mix people up. Strangers do not commonly mix with strangers, but from the facilitator's hawk-eye perspective mixing people together is a natural. The coaching needs to continue to be nonlinear, meaning your practice session should primarily be about nonlinear coaching and asking dangerous questions. I will attach a recent article that may be of some use. Your job is to continue to stir things up and create chaos, to run short exercises for everyone (communication exercises are good) depending on how long POP is, and to coach your coaches to bring people to their edge and work there, staying simple and practical. Also at your meeting practice mind-mapping.

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