DS1001: Sociology of Design

Session 5



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How can we increase the breadth and depth of our everyday experience?

How to see or approach everyday activities – interaction among people and things?

Ethnographic way of exploring a situation

- 1. Always be <u>looking</u> ... <u>Everything</u> is interesting. Look closer
- 2. Use <u>all</u> of the senses in your investigation
- 3. Observe for <u>long</u> durations
- 4. Alter your course often ... Incorporate indeterminacy
- 5. <u>Document</u> your findings in a variety of ways

- 6. Trace things back to their origins
- 7. Consider everything <u>alive & animate</u>
- 8. Create a personal <u>dialogue</u> with your environment. Talk to it
- 9. Notice the stories going around ... Observe movement
- 10. Notice <u>patterns</u>, make <u>connections</u>

Each team member adopt two new strategies, collectively the team should cover all strategies

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What all can we notice in everyday activities – interaction among people and things?



Creativity arises from our ability to see things from many different angles (1/5)

- Sight, Shape, Color, Movement
- Touch, Texture
- Sound
- Smell, Taste

Creativity arises from our ability to see things from many different angles (2/5)

- Symmetrically, in Parts
- Micro, Macro
- 2D, 3D
- Function
- Symbol, Language



Let us enhance engagement, positivity and beauty... Activity 5 (180 min)

- Step 1: Each team member to buy one scrap product, and some scrap items (wires, nuts, bolts, sprocket, chains, etc.)
- Step 2: Disassemble the product, capture details, one oldest patent and organize your collection in interesting ways (2D art work – 120 min)