


A Women's Leadership Gathering at the Global Dialogue Center

*...Bringing new friends together across the world
for a day of conversation*



celebrating International Women's Day 2008

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We wanted to share from the memories and meaning we created at “A Women’s Leadership Gathering” on Friday, March 7, 2008.

Over 120 women from 13 countries put their fingerprints on this day in some way. The following is a summary of some of the thoughts and stories that were shared.

A special thank goes to Nancy Margulies, consultant, known as the “godmother of graphic recording.” She helped us capture some of the stories and insights we brought out in each other at our ONLINE global women’s dialogue through ongoing, spontaneous “live illustration” throughout the event. We’ve included some of the “pearls and gems” from the day.

Warm regards,
Debbe

A Women’s Leadership Gathering Brochure with contact information
www.globaldialoguecenter.com/womensgathering.pdf

Women in the Lead INSPIRATION Blog
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conversation hosts...



Debbe Kennedy



Emily Duncan



Sid Reel



Maureen Simon



Nancy Margulies



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AGENDA — During our day of conversation...

- Get connected across time, difference and distance...



- Three themed conversations...

- Lessons in Leadership
Missteps, Milestones and Miracles
- Big Changes
Reinventing Your Work and Life
- Changing Our World:
Putting Our Differences to Work



Informal virtual breaks ...

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Who would have imagined we could be together across the world?



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COMMENTS THAT SET THE STAGE



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GOALS for OUR DAY of CONVERSATION



Lessons in Leadership

Missteps,
Milestones,
and Miracles

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Thoughts on Carrying a BIG BASKET

STORIES



LESSONS
in Leadership

Debbe... Alaska

Look for the lessons
in every opportunity...

"Filling the BIG basket"

"If you want to take something home,
you've got to carry a big basket."

Story from Frances Hesselbein's book and mentoring
Hesselbein on Leadership

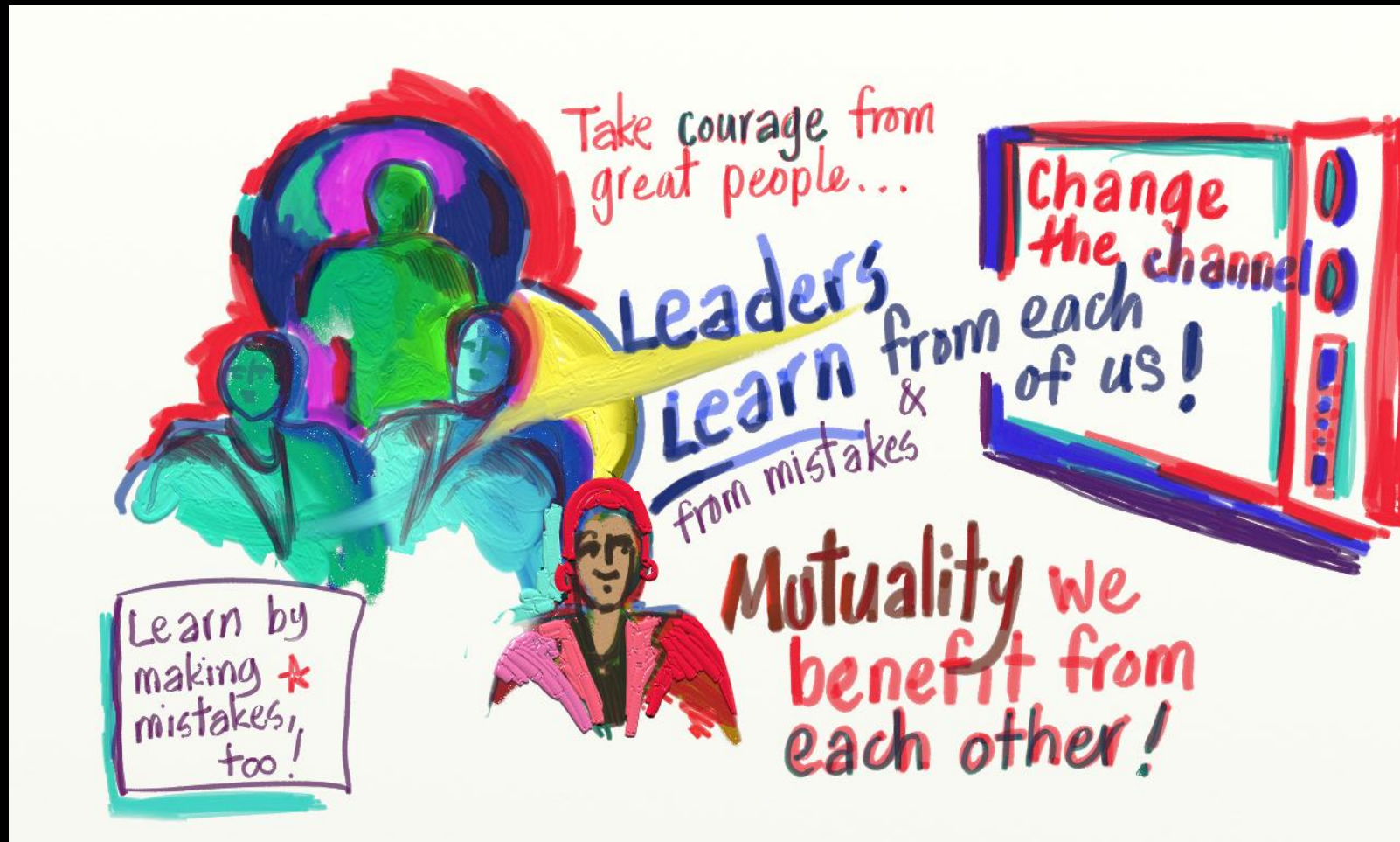
Frances Hesselbein is chairman and founding president, Leader to Leader Institute
former CEO, Girl Scouts of America, Recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom



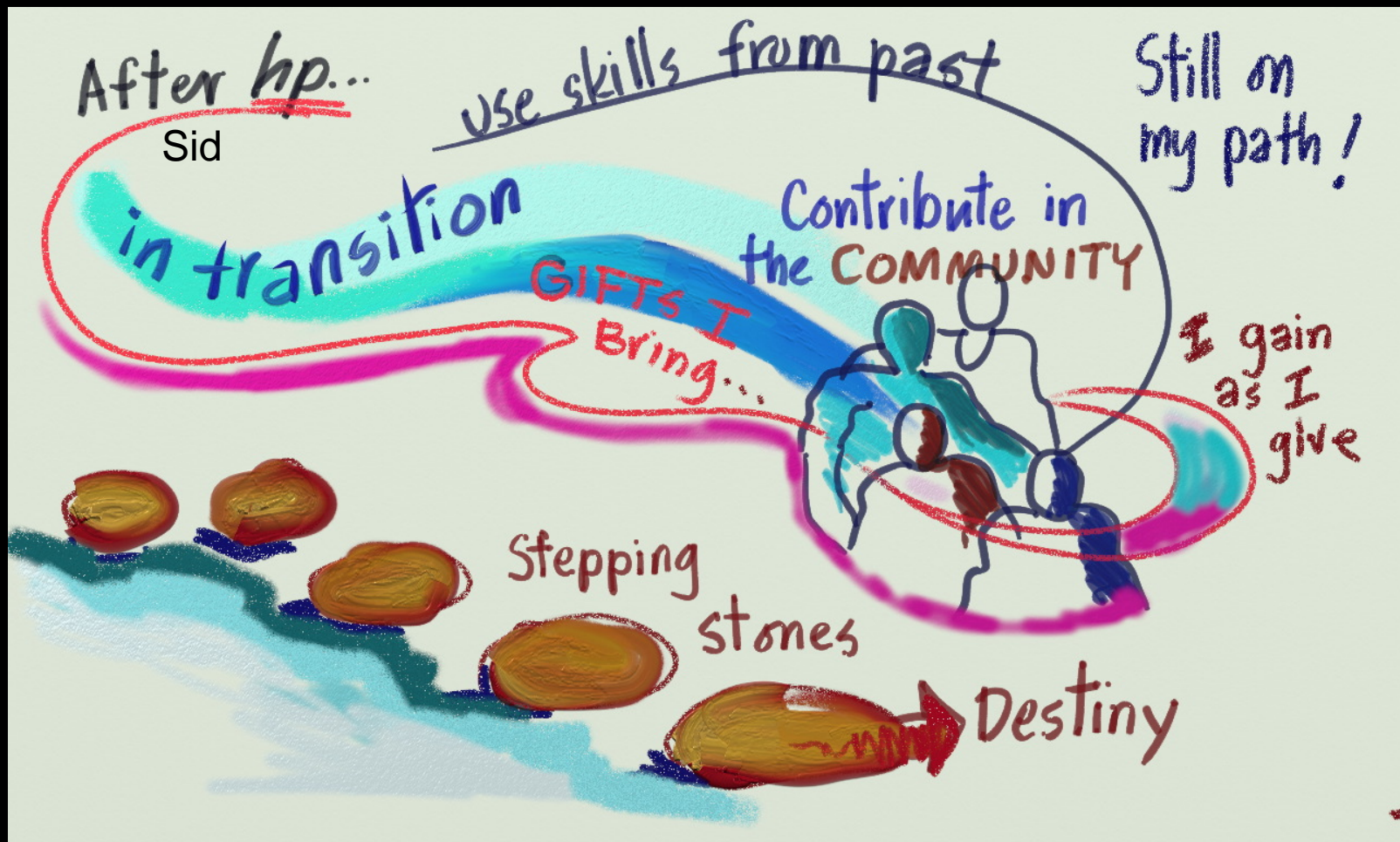
Thoughts on Leadership Traits



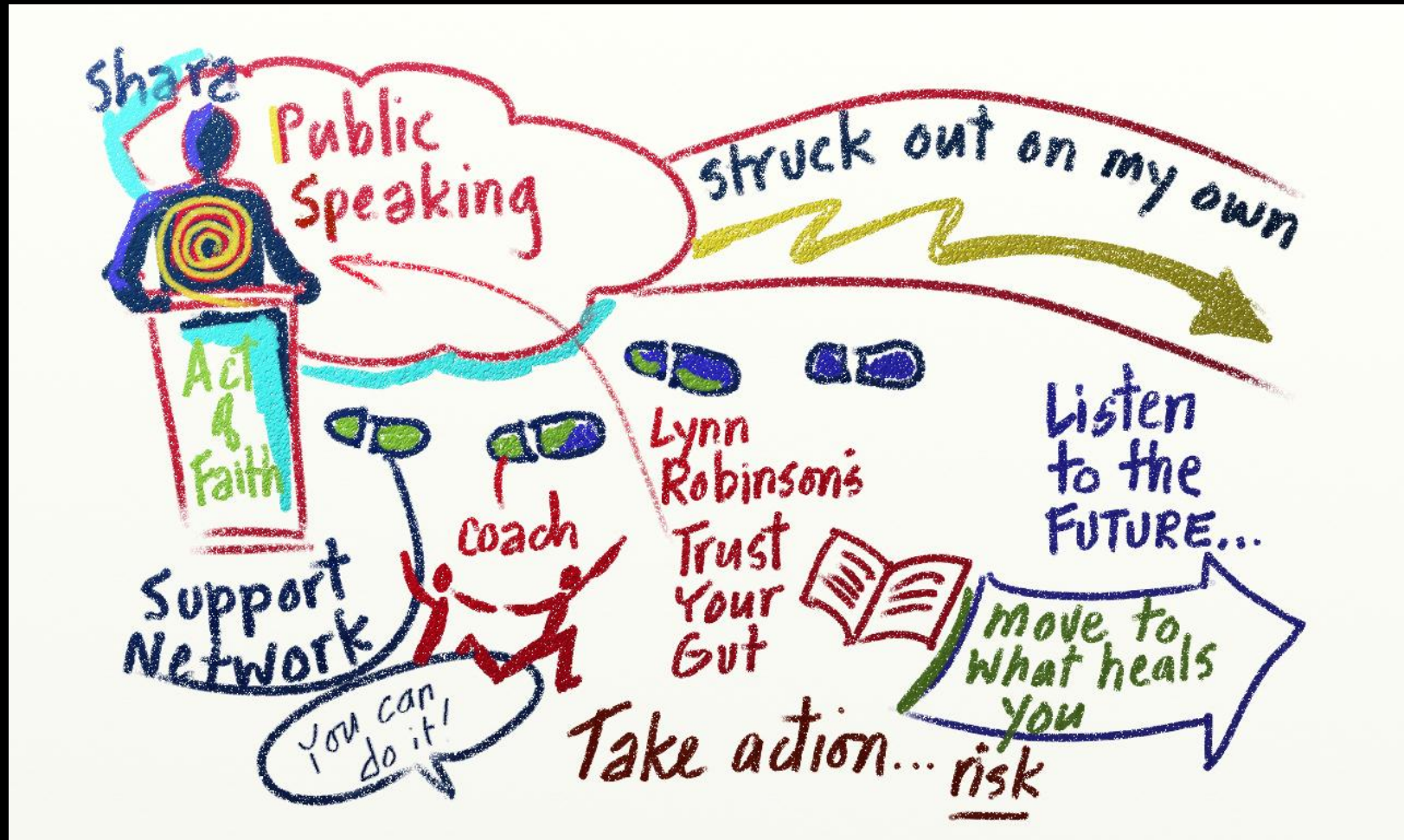
Thoughts on How Leaders Learn



Thoughts on Transitioning



Thoughts on RISK-TAKING



Thoughts on Mentoring



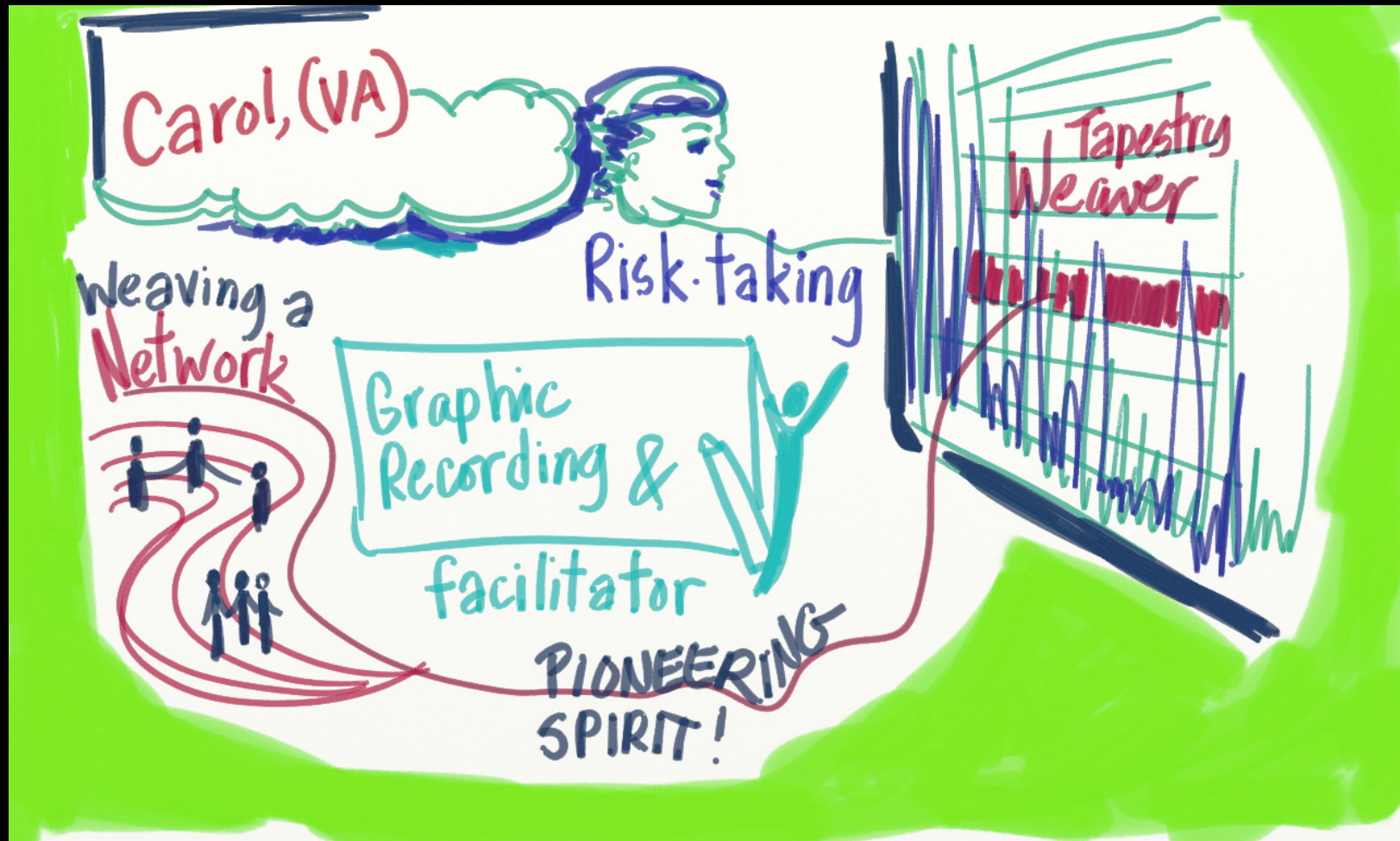
We can all be each others' mentors if we are open to listen and learn.

"When you stand up and take responsibility for your own life, you discover there are new and different people standing there to support you."

– Debby McIsaac, Senior Director
Global Inclusion and Diverse Talent, Hewlett Packard

Carol

U.S. Veterans Administration





... We took time to just to visit informally, too!

...and the
day came
when the risk
to remain
tight in a bud
was more
painful than
the risk it
took to
blossom.

— Anais Nim

BIG CHANGES

Reinventing your work and life



A vibrant field of orange and yellow flowers, likely cosmos, under a bright sun and blue sky with a green hill in the background. The sun is high in the sky, creating a lens flare effect. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, and the overall scene is bright and cheerful.

Thoughts from John O'Donohue, Anam Cara...
To Grow is to CHANGE

To Grow Is To Change

“Deep within every life, no matter how dull or ineffectual it may seem from the outside, there is something eternal happening. This is the secret way that change and possibility conspire with growth. John Henry Newman summed this up beautifully when he said,

‘To grow is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often.’

Change, therefore, need not be threatening; it can in fact bring our lives to perfection. Perfection is not cold completion. Neither is it avoidance of risk and danger in order to keep the soul pure or the conscience unclouded. When you are faithful to the risk and ambivalence of growth, you are engaging your life.”

John O’Donohue, *Anam Cara*

Thoughts on What Made Us Change

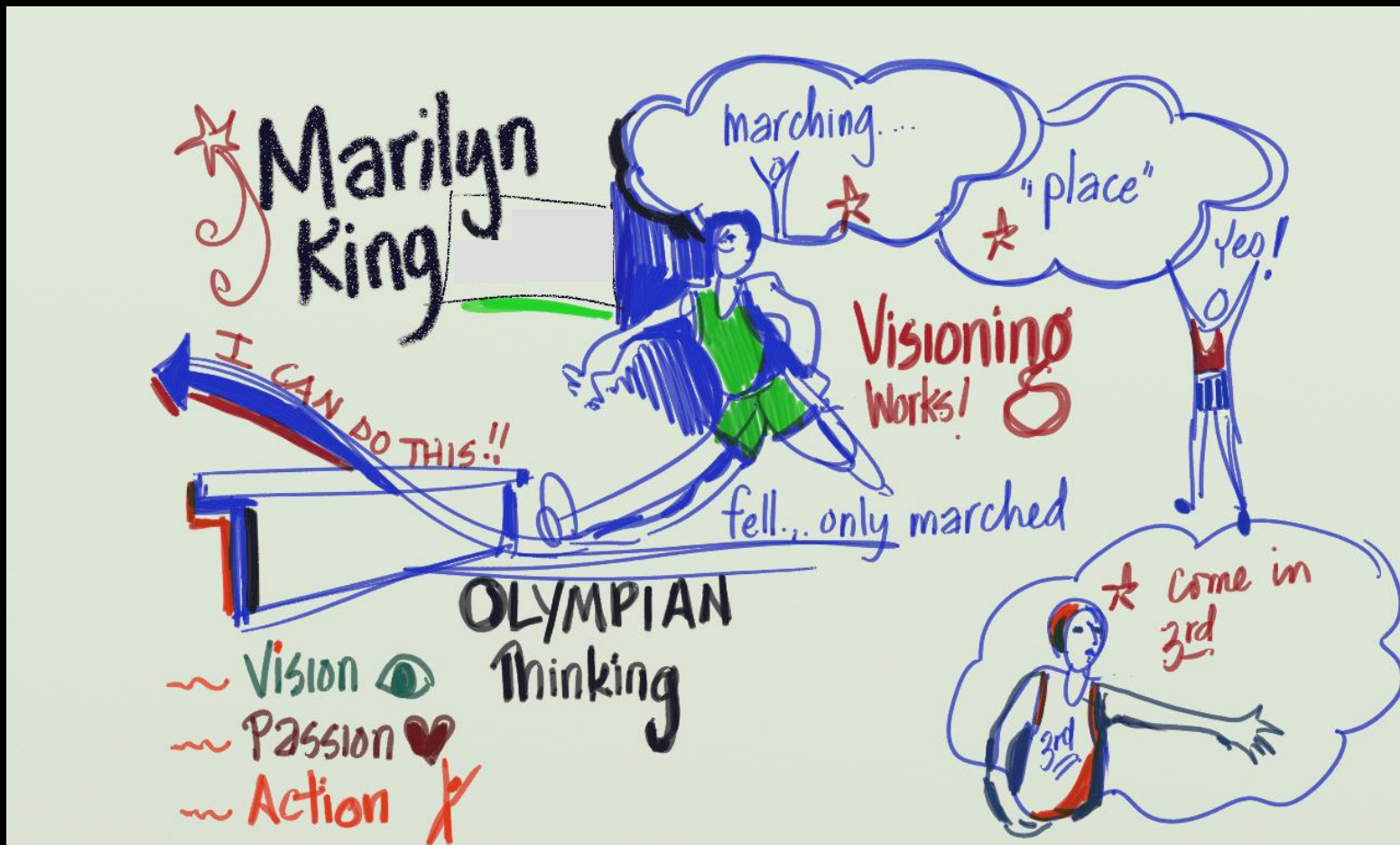


Thoughts on Big Changes in our lives and work



Thoughts from an Olympian

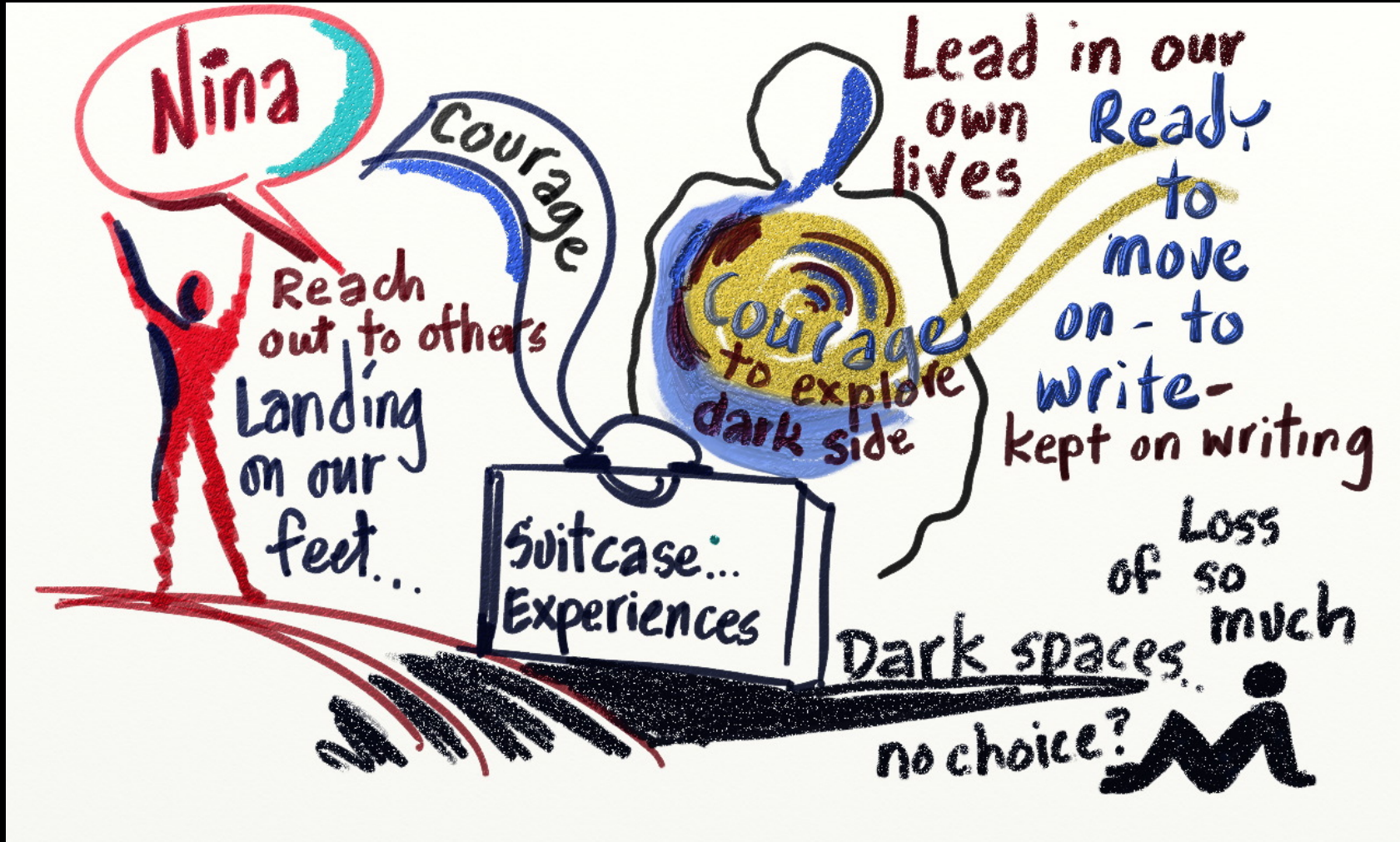
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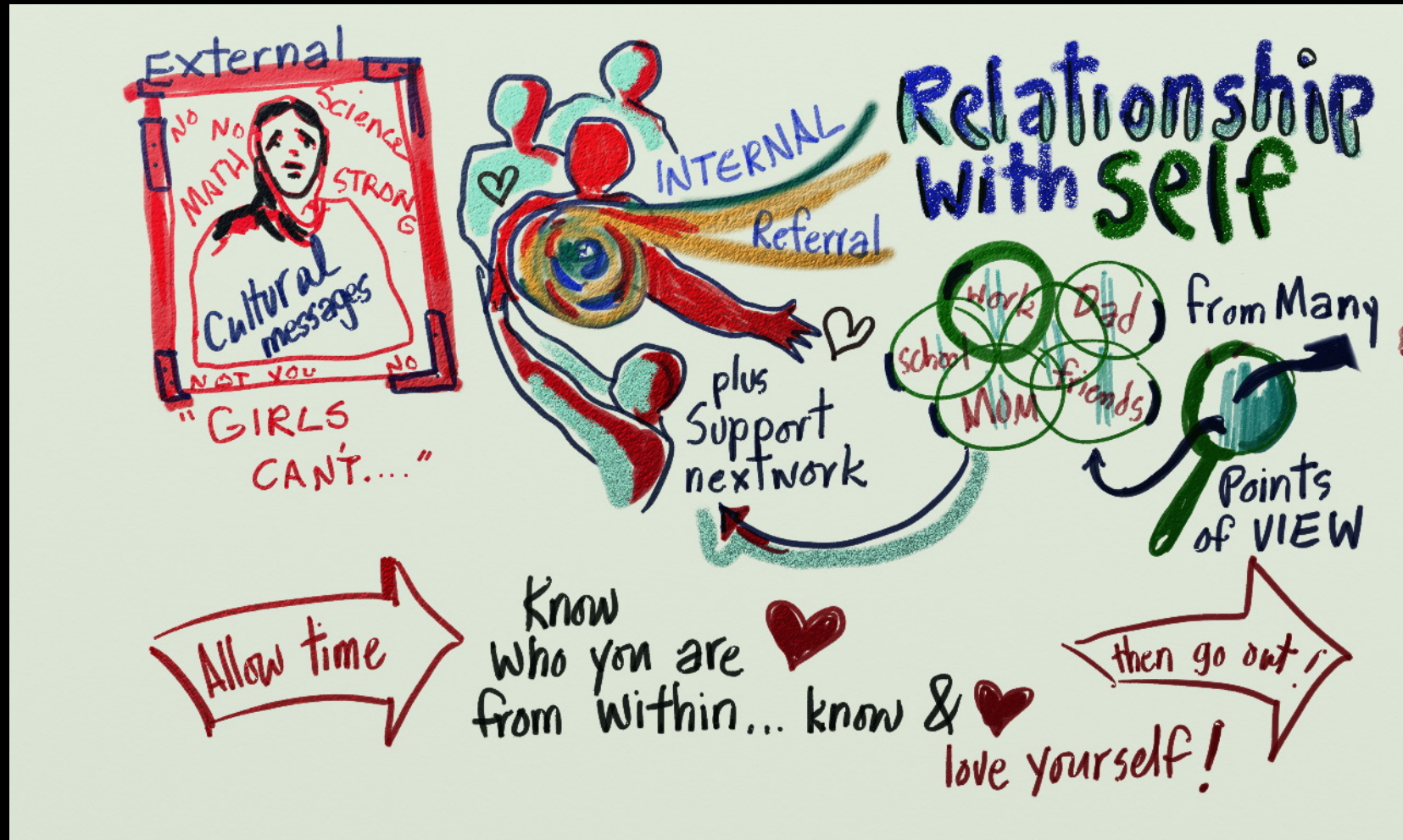
Thoughts on Courage



Nina's Story



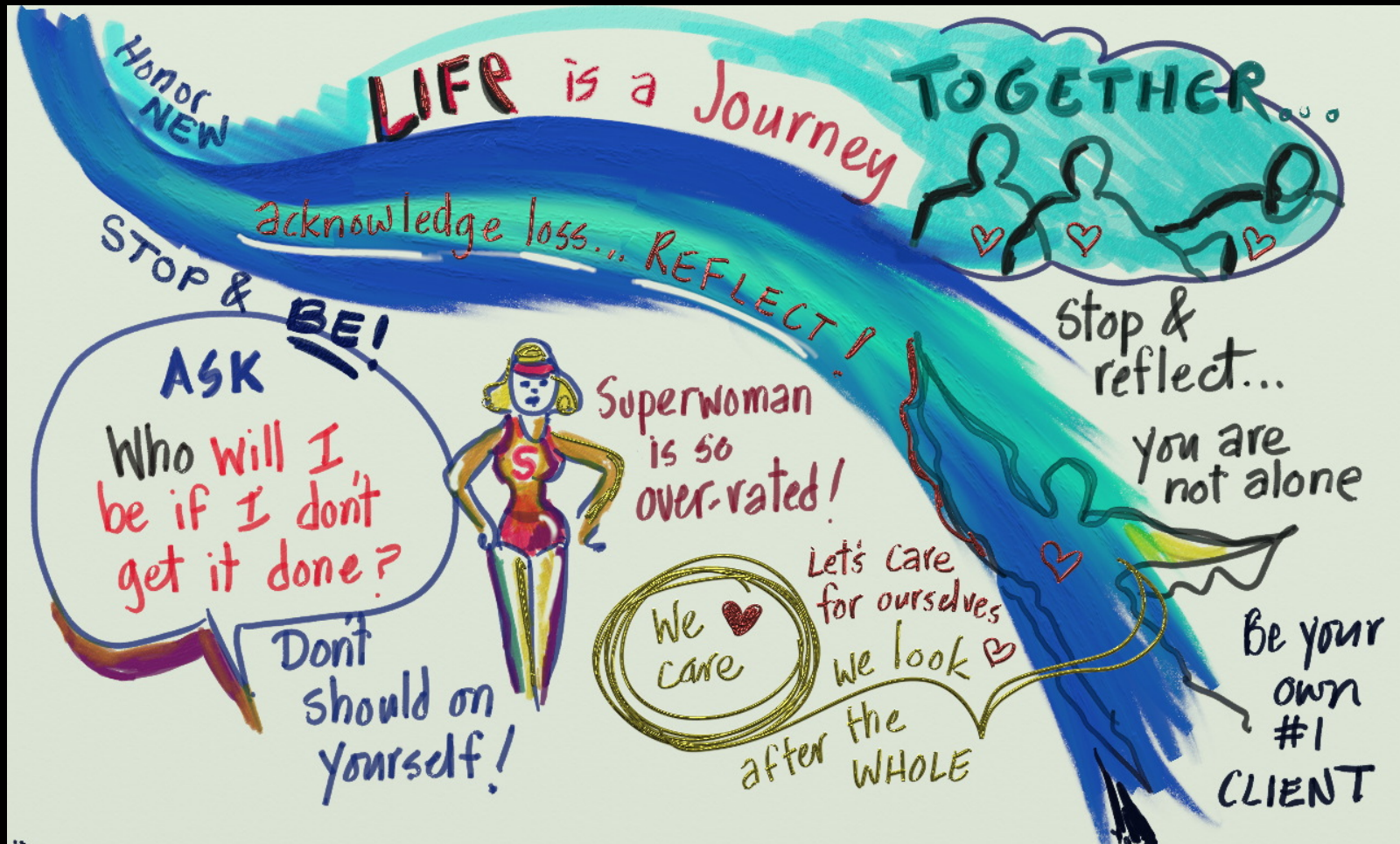
Thoughts on Relationship with Self



Thoughts on BIG Changes



Thoughts on Being Your #1 Client





Changing Our World
Putting Our Differences to Work



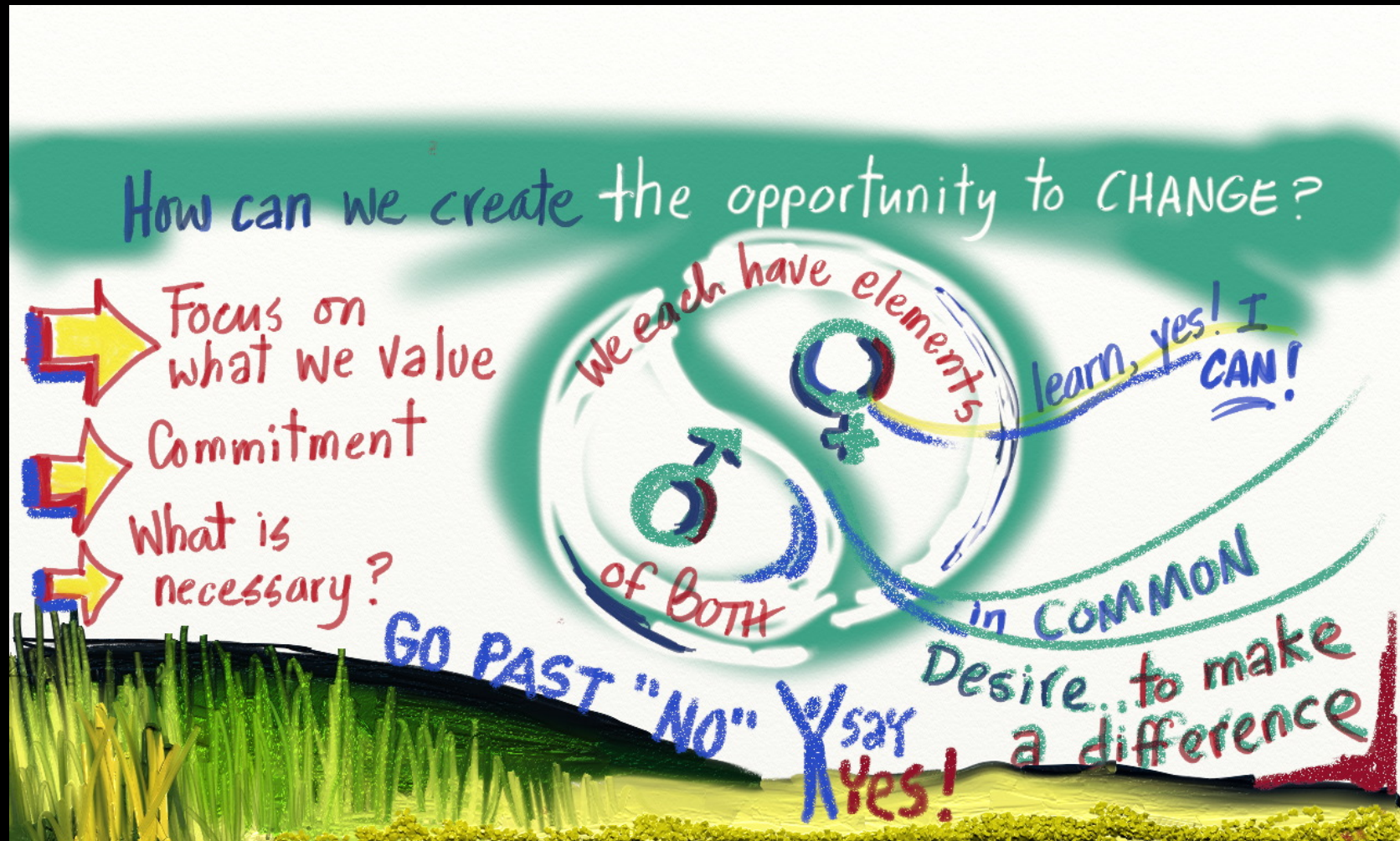
with

Melinda Kramer

Visionary founder
Women's Earth Alliance

www.womensearthalliance.org

Thoughts on Creating Opportunity



Thoughts on Saying YES!



Parting Thoughts

As we said good bye, leaving global neighborhood to journey home





Afterthoughts

We heard from women in different ways after our day of conversation. Here is a sampling of afterthoughts...

"I am so glad to have celebrated this women's day with all of you in such a special way! I want to say, all of you brought me into a new world, full of vision and passion, wisdom and philanthropy. I remember the words, the cheers, the paintings, all and all, like it just happened a second ago. Wisdom and love, what else can be better??!"

... this gathering will set my journey out, to discover more of the excitement of being a women, learning, sharing and giving. I will also be very pleased if I can contribute to this lovely women's family more!!"

— **Xuan**, from China; working in Germany on an Internship

"Thanks again for a very interesting, satisfying day."

— **Carole**, California USA

"Wonderful! Made me feel like I really had lots of different experiences to share."

— **Beth**, California USA

"...Thank you for the beautiful hosting for the global dialogue with women. Everyone was so gracious; it brought a tear to my eye. The beautiful woman that started the Women's Earth Alliance was so healing. With that memory, I can go on with my work, peacefully."

— **Linda**, Maryland USA

"I feel we are in the dawn of a new day in so many ways - green movement, politics, etc. This is timely and perfect. You can tell because it flowed so effortlessly. I'm thrilled to have been a part of today."

— **Dorothy**, USA

"This was such a fabulous gathering. Those moments in time that we all shared are so precious and inspirational. We were truly blessed."

— **Nina**, Canada

"...want to say [the global dialogue center] and this technology are awesome!"

— **Vicki**, Washington, USA

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How blessed we were to be together...