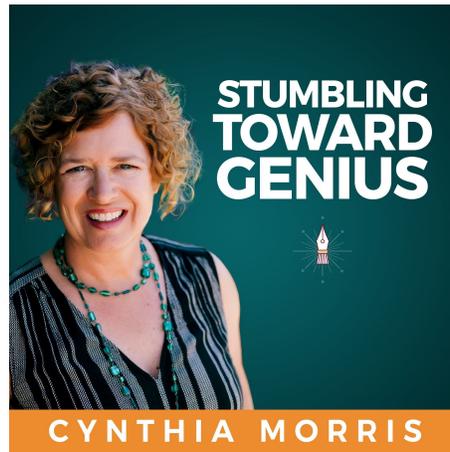


# Stumbling Toward Genius Assignment



## **EPISODE ONE: Leap in with Bold Innocence**

### **CREATIVE COMPETENCY: BOLD INNOCENCE**

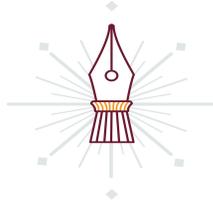
It makes sense to have all our ducks in a row before we launch something. We want to have our book outlined. We want a solid business plan. Perhaps we even want our artist statement written before we begin making the body of work.

But time and again, I've seen that we need less planning than we think. If we overplan, we often lose interest when it comes time to fill in that outline or do that marketing writing. We've gotten our creative jollies in the planning and outlining.

It's often easier and more fun to linger in the planning zone. The real work of crafting our idea forces us to face challenges and limitations. It was hard to speak up and let everyone know what I was doing. It took courage to say I could help people and get on the phone even though I didn't feel like an expert. And then to charge money for that? Courage at every step.

Ultimately there will be so many things you cannot plan. That's life, right? Who wants to have every single move mapped out? When we make things, we partner with the Divine. Those mysterious forces that are at play in the world join us to bring our idea to life. Embrace your innocence of not knowing what will happen. Of not knowing everything about what to do.

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Here's this week's assignment for you, if you choose to explore your own bold innocence.

## **Get in your own time machine and travel back twenty years.**

What were you beginning? Who were you becoming?

What would your young, newbie self say if she saw things now?

Where have you seen your bold innocence work in your favor?

## **Finally, this week, make one move that contributes to developing your bold innocence.**

I want you to know that you are safe as you try new things. Your innocence and ignorance can be a gift if you embrace it thus. See what happens inside and out when you step into your bold innocence.

Leave a comment on this episode's page to share your experience with the assignment, or email me at [cynthia@originalimpulse.com](mailto:cynthia@originalimpulse.com) to send me your experience with the homework. I also love to hear any other thoughts you have about this episode.

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