



WHAT DOES A WORLD THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE LOOK LIKE?

January 2026:

Reawakening Imagination.

Join us as we launch into a new year of online gatherings designed to provoke, inspire and stretch our understanding of what is possible... and how to rewrite The New Story of collective thriving.



ON JANUARY 1ST WE ASKED: WHAT IF THE GREATEST CHALLENGE IN 2026 IS NOT A LACK OF RESOURCES OR INNOVATION, BUT A LACK OF COURAGEOUS IMAGINATION IN ENVISIONING A RADICALLY NEW WORLD OF FLOURISHING FOR GENERATIONS TO COME?

- ✦ In a world distorted by extraction and record-breaking accumulation, what could it look like to boldly recenter societal success on wellbeing, regeneration, and shared prosperity?
- ✦ What happens when we unleash our intuition and deepen our respect for nature, each other, ourselves and our ancestors?
- ✦ What lays hidden just beyond our current capacities, waiting to become visible as our consciousness expands?



CO-HOSTED BY **NANCY GIORDANO & BROOKE DARSHANA** ALONG WITH SPECIAL GUESTS WEAVING INSPIRING PERSPECTIVES, BOLD INNOVATIONS AND FRESH VOICES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

NANCY GIORDANO, Founder|Play Big Inc is an exponential strategist, enterprise futurist, gatherer + author of *Leadering, The Ways Visionary Leaders Play Bigger* and the new podcast *Futurist(Mom)*. **BROOKE DARSHANA** is a strategic leader and storyteller who champions human potential to thrive as nature's intended keystone species through curiosity, community + creative impact.

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those who know the power of
imagination are not afraid of
reality

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WE WERE GUIDED ON A FUTURE VISION JOURNEY, AN IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCE OF COLLECTIVE VISIONING WITH AI-GENERATED IMAGERY AND NARRATIVE SYNTHESIS, ALIGNED AROUND SHARED PURPOSE AND DIRECTION.

PETER OPPERMANN is a transformational engineer and founder of the Future Self Institute, dedicated to bridging human potential, collective intelligence, and regenerative innovation. His work combines Future Self practices, AI-enhanced creativity, and WeCulture collaboration models to help founders and teams design ventures that serve both people and planet.





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To reawaken humanity’s imagination as a force for collective flourishing — by empowering communities to reimagine, redesign, and regenerate our ways of living, learning, and governing through story, ceremony, and ancestral wisdom, amplified by AI in service to life.

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ATTENDEES IMAGINED THEIR SUPERPOWER NAME AND ADOPTED IT FOR THE EVENT; HELLO “CLARITY ALCHEMIST,” “ORBITAL CONNECTOR,” “STARDUST,” AND MANY MORE, WHO CONJURED BEAUTIFUL ALTER EGOS! BY WEAVING OUR MULTIPLE VISIONS OF AN IDEAL WORLD TOGETHER, PETER WAS ABLE TO CREATE OUR OWN GROUP 'MTP' (MASSIVE TRANSFORMATIVE PURPOSE).



REIMAGINING THE FUTURE OF HEALTH, WELLBEING AND HUMAN LONGEVITY, WE EXPLORED THE 'FIRST OF ITS KIND' LONGEVITY AND WELLBEING ISLAND BEING BUILT IN THE UAE.

More than a retreat, it is a destination where cutting-edge science meets timeless nature; where you awaken the full potential of your body, mind and environment. At its core, this project is about humanity's timeless quest for better living and the desire to live not only longer but also fuller, more meaningful lives.



SOMMARØY, NORWAY, HAS CAPTURED GLOBAL ATTENTION FOR LIVING WITHOUT STRICT CLOCK-BASED SCHEDULES, ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO BASE ACTIVITIES ON NATURAL RHYTHMS RATHER THAN RIGID TIMEKEEPING.

In practice, this means locals embrace flexible routines such as mowing lawns or having coffee at 2 a.m.. The community embraced the concept of flexible temporal living to reflect their natural reality of 24hrs of continuous daylight in Summer and reduce stress from strict clock adherence.



IN AN UNPRECEDENTED BLEND OF SPIRITUALITY AND MODERNITY, WE WATCHED **POPE LEO** BLESS AN ELECTRONIC MUSIC RAVE FEATURING DANCE MUSIC MIXED WITH SPIRITUAL THEMES, REFLECTING THE POPE'S EFFORTS TO ENGAGE YOUNGER GENERATIONS.

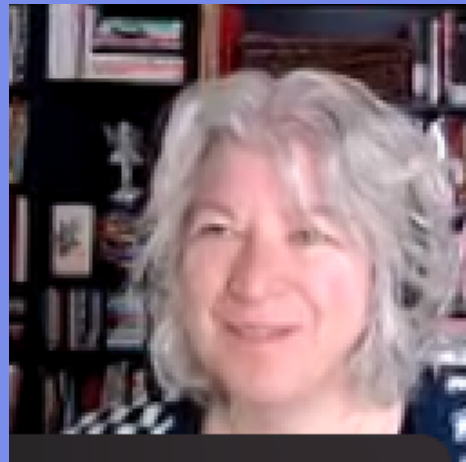
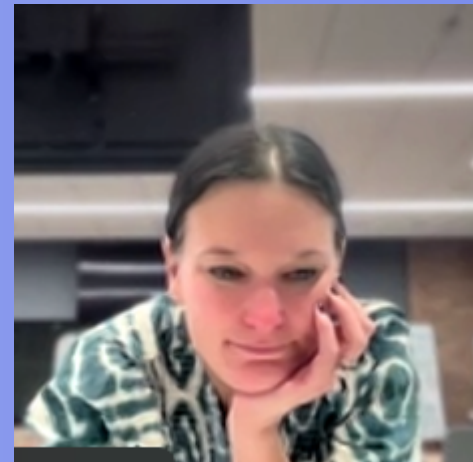
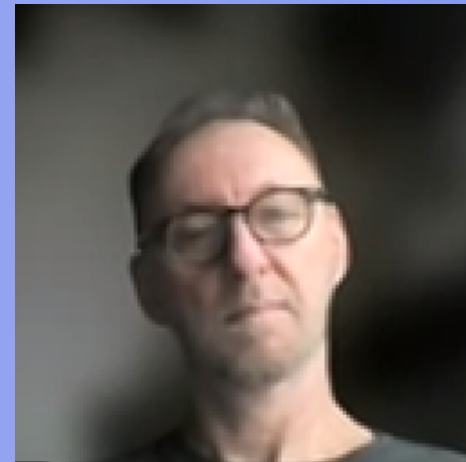
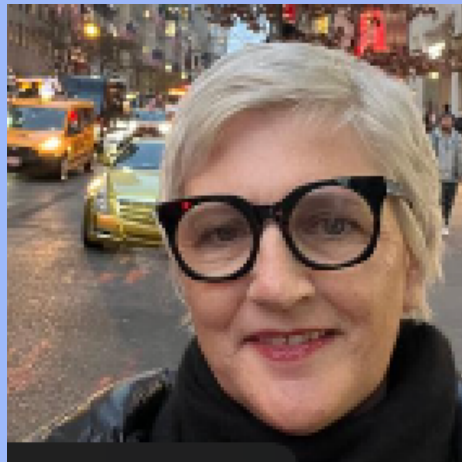
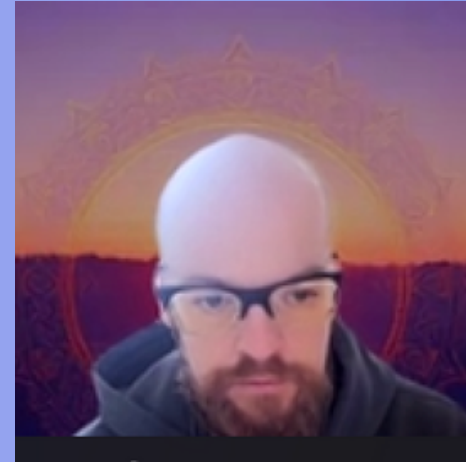
Video shared by PADRE GUILTHERME, widely known as the "DJ priest," showed the Pope blessing the gathered crowd via a projection onto the St. Elisabeth Cathedral walls in Košice, Slovakia on Saturday (8 November).



AI FILMMAKING IS ANOTHER
POWERFUL WAY TO WAKE UP
OUR IMAGINATION (AND HOPE).

EXCITED BY A NEW CLIMATE
SERIES TITLED “WOULDN’T IT BE
COOL?” CREATED USING
GENERATIVE AI, GUEST +
CREATIVE EDUCATOR
ELIZABETH STRICKLER RUNS
ONE DAY WORKSHOPS TO
HELP US ALL BECOME
PROTOPIAN STORYTELLERS.

THE NEW STORY - OUTTAKES



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brooke darshana foote

peter oppermann - future self institute

ai image generator

longevity island

sommaroy, norway

pope Leo + DJ padre guilherme

matt ford - wouldn't it be cool?

elizabeth strickler



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