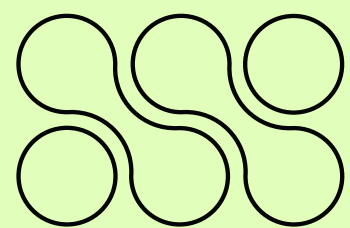


# ACE INNOVATION EXPO



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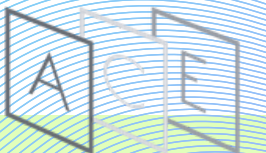
We cannot become what we want  
by remaining what we are.

MAX DE PREE,  
LEADERSHIP AUTHOR & FORMER  
CEO, HERMAN MILLER



# SPECIAL THANKS

- UCLA Retirees Association
- ACE Innovation Expo Presenters
- Innovation Expo Planning Committee
- All attendees for bringing your curiosity and your desire to learn



# WHY ARE WE HERE?

- Discover practical tools and strategies
- Learn from colleagues and peers
- Share ideas across departments
- Build new connections
- Find inspiration for your own work



# AGENDA

**9:00–9:30**      **Breakfast, Check-In & Connecting**

**9:30–10:30**      **Featured Presentations**

- AI for Program Management
- Grad Award Tracking & Best Practices
- Using Bruin Learn Outside the Classroom

**10:30–10:40**      **Break**

**10:40–11:40**      **Rotating Innovation Stations**

- Gantt Charts for Project Management
- Text Blaze and the wonderful world of snippets
- Using Layers in Canva for more accessible infographics

**11:40–12:00**      **Presenter Panel, Reflection & Wrap-Up**

**12:00–12:30**      **Networking and Community Connection Time (Optional)**

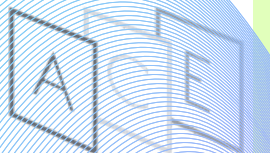
# 10 MIN BREAK

- **Stand up, Stretch, Refill your drinks.**
- **Restrooms are just outside the sliding doors, and to the right.**
- **Let's reconvene outside on the patio for the next portion!**



What we've done to encourage  
innovation is make it ordinary.

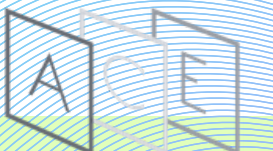
CRAIG WYNETT,  
FORMER CHIEF INNOVATION  
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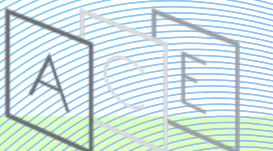
# LET'S REFLECT TOGETHER

- What was it like sharing your idea today?
- What surprised you about the experience?
- Did you discover a tool or practice you'll use yourself?
- What advice would you give a future presenter?
- How can we continue learning from one another beyond today?



The key to success is for you to  
make a habit throughout your life  
doing the things you fear.

VINCENT VAN GOGH,  
POST-IMPRESSIONIST PAINTER



# EVENT SURVEY

**We really appreciate your feedback, as we hope  
to offer future events!**



**<https://tinyurl.com/26aceinnov>**



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# THANK YOU

**for your curiosity, generosity, and willingness to share.**

Innovation doesn't happen because a few people have all the answers; it happens when a community is willing to learn from one another.



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