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# The Art of Collaboration

## *An Interdisciplinary Practice-Led Research Project*

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# Welcome

- ▶ *The Music of what happens*
  - ▶ *The Project & the Team*
  - ▶ *Exploring-Discovering & Learning*
  - ▶ *The World of VUCA*
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# *The Music of What Happens*



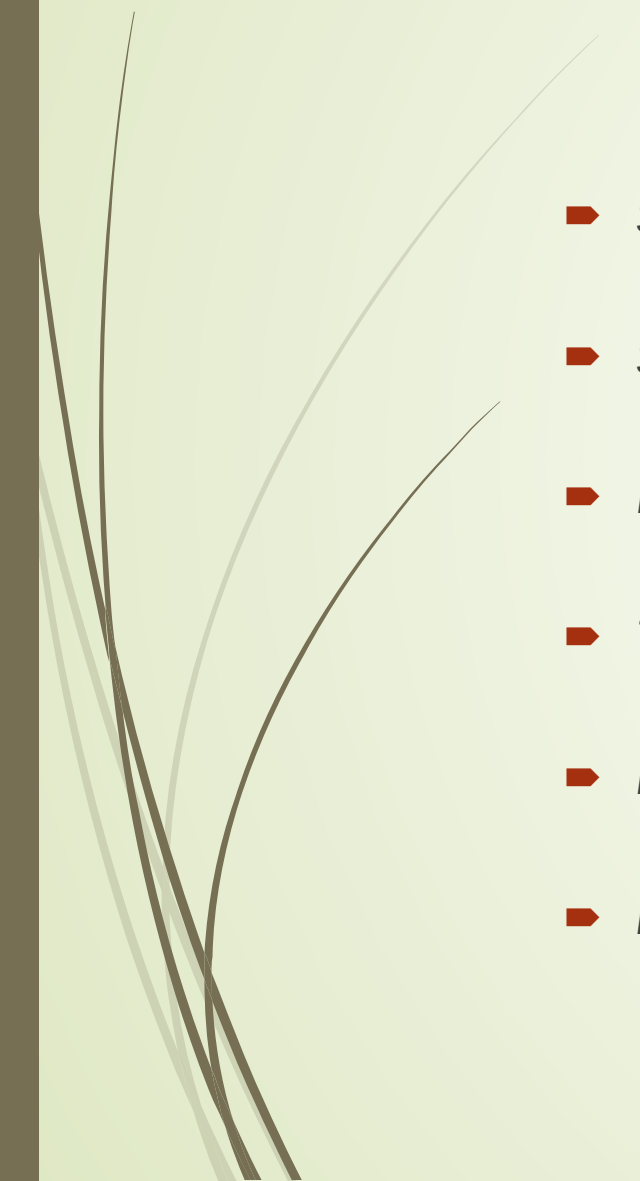
*The Finest Music...*







# Project Description & Process

- ▶ *Series of Concerts & Meetings*
  - ▶ *Slow is Smooth-collaboration as a developmental process*
  - ▶ *Developing a broader, deeper and wider perspective*
  - ▶ *Twelve people –Twelve lifes*
  - ▶ *Musicians and Thought leaders*
  - ▶ *Practice-led and embodied understanding*
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# The Team



# The Music of What Happens





# Exploring



# Discussing





# Key Questions of Research

- ▶ *What Is Collaboration and Why does it matter?*
- ▶ *What are the benefits of collaboration?*
- ▶ *What enhances and what inhibits collaboration?*
- ▶ *How might we as musicians and discipline specialists work together so as to deepen our understanding and improve our capacity to collaborate ?*
- ▶ *How will this new understanding and competency impact the wider systems within which we operate?*



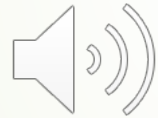
Discovering...

*Professor of Psychiatry & Student of Composition*





Collaboration is...





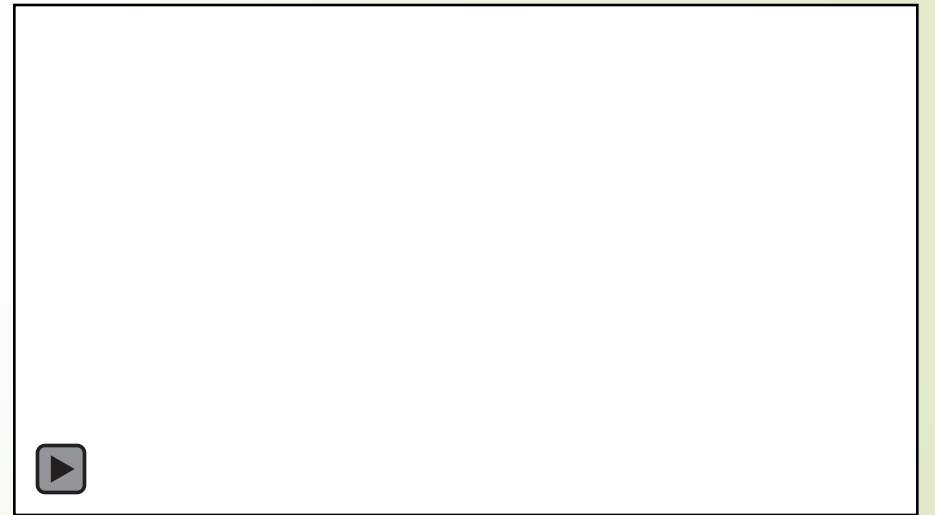
# Collaboration matters...






# Benefits of Collaboration involving students & teachers

- ▶ *Tapestry*
- ▶ *Positively challenging received wisdom and tradition*
- ▶ *Ideas grow exponentially*
- ▶ *Culture Change*
- ▶ *Holistic learning*





# Enablers and Inhibitors

- ▶ *Fundamental human qualities*
  - ▶ *Synthesis*
  - ▶ *Trust-based*
  - ▶ *Non-Hierarchical, Non Linear, Non reductive*
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# The World of VUCA

- ▶ Volatility Uncertainty Complexity Ambiguity
- ▶ Collaboration as a Meta-Competency
- ▶ An anti-dote to expert mode
- ▶ Not knowing provides the impetus for creativity and new solutions



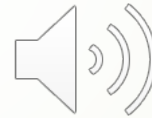


# Final observations

- ▶ *Collaboration challenges the status quo*
  - ▶ *Invites us to take responsibility*
  - ▶ *Encourages cultural change*
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The Sound of  
the *Music of What Happens*





# Questions/Discussion



*Thanks for listening*





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