lost in science – on the emergence of creative technology

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question(s)

- 1. personal what makes life (more) beautiful?
- 2. professional how can your discipline/expertise help/assist/contribute inmaking (digital) life more beautiful?
- 3. general what is the (greatest) risk of creative technology?

challenge(s) - the supposed maturity of CS

ICT challenge(s)

concept(s)

• miscellaneous (video) – www.everythingismiscellaneous.com

model(s)

 $\bullet \ \ business\ model-www.oreillynet.com/pub/a/oreilly/tim/news/2005/09/30/what-is-web-20.html$

problem(s)

• identity 2.0 - identity 20.com/media/ETECH_2006

creative technology - target(s)

• program to enhance students' participation and creativity

first thought(s) - without thinking

- the aesthetics of our time youtube 9/11
- the medium is the message (news) flash (skip intro)
- models of dissemination (pathology): viral, cancerous (dialiectics)
- creativity is contagious involvement
- attention vs impact peripheral, unfocussed, subliminal

approach – multimedia in context

approach - with subtext(s)

- (cheap) philosophy leads to ignorance and self-satisfaction
- colloquial wisdom is an internet commodity
- common sense only results in confusion

random thought(s) - why always square screens?

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item(s)/hazard(s) - with subtext(s)

- \bullet requirements kill creativity
- user studies lead to conservatism
- clear goals limit exploration

model(s) – the creative process

the creative process - involvement & reflection

model(s) of dissemination – pathology/dialectic(s) of awareness

- creativity is contagious
- viral games
- the (digital) seduction of a civilisation

on the emergence of creative technology

this is where the subtext ends, and the exploration begins, with as the ultimate challenge, to realize a new discipline: **creative technology**

perspective(s) – aesthetic awareness

perspective(s) - innovation as an expression of ignorance

- frankfurt airport multimedia walkway
- shanghai river tunnel visual experience
- shanghai shopping center full globe video projection
- $\bullet\,$ etcetera visual quilt, PANORAMA, ...

issue(s) - the creative technology track

creative track - starting from 1st year

- identity as a group
- portfolio as individual
- $\bullet\,$ imagination mixing science and art
- authenticity as in no bullshit
- craftmanship in discovering the rethorics of the material

mechanism(s) - educational element(s)

- (art) inspiration(s) item(s) of beauty
- (periodic) de-construction(s) discover (un)truth
- (technical) exploration(s) trial(s) without error(s)
- (creative) workshop(s) to boost the imagination

control(s) - layered mentorship

- supervision(s) from multiple perspectives
- (peer) reviews with mild competitive edge
- (public) exhibition(s) for external exposure

metaphor(s) - towards a new curriculum

- a networked world you make it work [emgineering,management] not network maintenance!
- everything is connected you make the connections [mediator, management]
- everything is intertwinkled (Ted Nelson) you make it twinkle [the creative track]

resource(s)

- topical media & game development www.cs.vu.nl/~eliens/media
- intelligent multimedia technology www.cs.vu.nl/~eliens/imt
- multimedia @ VU www.cs.vu.nl/~eliens/multimedia