

The diminishing distance between illusion and reality

In 1968 I was resting in my bed in Maryland just before I was to drive to the airport. Suddenly and for no apparent reason I could not move. A voice began speaking to me.

“Come join the overmind,” it said.

At that point I became aware of an entity calling me to be part of many souls giving themselves over to the overmind for the sake of the great change that was to come upon the earth. Like many in my generation I was aware of teachings regarding cosmic consciousness. I had tried drugs and meditation attempting to find out what was going on in the universe.

As I lay pinned to my bed the voice was demanding an answer. Suddenly I saw a ball of light like our sun. From it came individual beams of light. Another voice spoke.

“You are on a beam of light. You are an individual unique creation. You must travel on the beam destined for you. You have your own path to travel.”

I immediately agreed with the second voice as I somehow saw what it said was true. At that point I could move again and the whole event ended.

At that time many of my generation were participating in ear splitting electronic music accompanied by strobe lights flashing in darkened rooms. The idea was to lose yourself in the midst of it and attain an altered consciousness. By means of psychedelic events one could forget the voice of conscience and do whatever seemed enjoyable at the moment.

Forty years later we are manipulating our minds and events a different way. We are able to choose our realities through advances in technology in ways we never dreamed of in 1968. I submit to you that there is an overmind functioning. Voices are calling us to collective experiences that are dependent upon the technology to produce.

In 1944 when you came out of the movie theatre you kept what you had seen in your imagination, but you didn't walk into a collective experience of the event that is available today. You walked out into a life that was based primarily upon genuine events taking place in the physical earth. There was more of a distance between illusion and reality. Today the distance is diminishing with every advancing day. The average child spends 4 to 6 hrs a day watching a technology related event. The average adult spends 15 years of his life watching television. Many of us remember when there was no television let alone computers and video games.

I don't write this as a lament for the past. Much is written and can be studied regarding the effect of technology on human behavior. I am concerned that the way we relate is changing so rapidly that we barely notice it. I believe something is building in the earth that we need to identify.

A new form of sorcery

The Death of the Explorer and the Pioneer – Are we passing from the age of the genius of the individual to the rule of the mob?

1. Flash mob or smart mobs

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smart_mob

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flash_mob

<http://www.cnn.com/2003/TECH/internet/08/04/flash.mob/>

Flash crowd

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flash_crowd

2. Virtual communities

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virtual_community

3. Collective intelligence and the Borg

- the capacity of human communities to evolve towards higher order complexity and harmony, through such innovation mechanisms as differentiation and integration, competition and collaboration

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Collective_intelligence

4. Collaborative software

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Collaborative_software

5. Global frequency by Warren Ellis

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Global_Frequency

6. "We are Anonymous

- We are Legion. We do not forgive. We do not forget

The war against scientology. Hacker group[

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anonymous_%28group%29

7. Electronic Democracy and the new politics

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/E-democracy>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hacktivism>

8. Xerocracy

- Critical Mass differs from many other social movements in its rhizomal (rather than hierarchical) structure. Critical Mass is sometimes called an "organized coincidence" with no leadership or membership. The routes of some rides are decided spontaneously by whoever is currently at the front of the ride, others are decided prior to the ride by a popular vote of suggested routes often drawn up on photocopied flyers.

The term xerocracy was coined to describe a process by which the route for a Critical Mass can be decided: anyone who has an opinion makes their own map and distributes it to the cyclists participating in the Mass. Still other rides decide the route by consensus. The "disorganized" nature of the event allows it to largely escape clampdown by authorities who may view the rides as forms of parades or organized protest.

Additionally, the movement is free from the structural costs associated with a centralized,

hierarchical organization. In order for the event to function, the only requirement is a sufficient turn-out to create a "critical mass" of riders dense enough to occupy a piece of road to the exclusion of drivers of motorized vehicles, pedestrians, and other road users.

Implications on societal structures such as Church

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Critical_Mass

9. The Wisdom of Crowds

Why the Many Are Smarter Than the Few and How Collective Wisdom Shapes Business, Economies, Societies and Nations

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Wisdom_of_Crowds

10. Disappearing Bees

– The most essential thing for food sustenance, bee pollination, is being threatened. No one seems to know why.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/environment/nature/are-mobile-phones-wiping-out-our-bees-444768.html> Are we being trained to think like the ants or bees?

By the way where are the bees going and why?

Could it be that one individual who correctly understands the process of collective thinking could harness this power to rule the earth?

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