

Flora 3499th Curator of the Museum of Brave and Curious

Flora would often end up somewhere astonishing, surrounded by the impossible.

Her adventures almost always started with a "what could it possibly be."

What Could It Possibly Be

Flora had found that saying 'what a thing is' can get you so far, and talking about 'what's happening now' can be a good start, but to go on an adventure there is a simple query that can get you unstuck from the 'now.' She would remind herself to ask:

"not what it is but what it could possibly be!"

She would look at the thing again with a wondering brain and let it take her down a road...

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ARTEFACT NAME: Profile of the 3499th curator: Flora



Moe

259th Curator of the Museum of Brave and Curious

Whenever Moe arrived a hush decended, as each and every ear strained to hear his one word stories.

One Word Story Teller

Moe was renouned for he could tell a story in just one word. He would often arrive with an announcer: "In this room we have a great one word story teller. Please welcome them to the stage."

"They have prepared, they are ready" (the announcer would check he was ready with his word – it could be anything he could see or any food or any animal...) Then Moe would breathe in deeply and out deeply. He would raise his hand for silence and as he lowered his hand he would say the word!

And then there would be applause! As it died away the announcer would lead the audience to chant "tell it again, tell it again..!"

He would repeat the breath, the hand for silence and then *the word* in a different way!

And the applause would erupt again!

That day the one word story would spread through everyone who had

heard it *and* everyone who hadn't. It would change and tranform each time until, from one word there had come a hunderd stories.

Rumour has it there are now many, many great one word storytellers in the world.

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Madeleine 223rd Curator of the Museum of Brave and Curious

A great traveller, Madeleine would never fear to say what she saw or what it meant to her.

She was famous for her use of the brave and curious technique of RSVP.

RSVP

Madeleine once translated this as roughly meaning: "Please would you make a response." She would take a thing and say what it meant to her or say just what she saw. Then she would pass it over for someone else to do the same. She played RSVP in pairs or in a circle. As a pair, she and her partner would ping-pong back and forth until they had had

enough.

Afterwards she would sometimes ask about some of the responses that had caught her attention, if she thought they might lead somewhere. They often did.

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Nevile

(AKA Monsieur le Toothpaste AKA Pantaloon Wizzard AKA The Goose AKA Prince Spangle AKA...) 356th Curator of the Museum of Brave and Curious

The inventor of the brave and curious technique of Cloaking.

Cloaking

Whenever Nevile got stuck with how to be brave and curious he would perform an act of rapid transformation.

He took a piece of fabric and very quickly wrapped it around himself to transform his appearance. He then chose 'air-in' or 'air-out.' For 'air-in' he took a deep lungful, drawing his whole body up towards the ceiling, elevating himself and his attitude, becoming stiff and floaty.

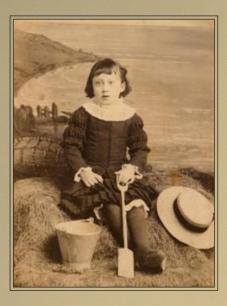
For 'air-out' he would realease all the air in his lungs, possibly by blowing a raspberry, and sink down, loosening his knees, droping his shoulders and become drifty and scuttly.

Once he had chosen and moved about for a bit, a name was bound to occur to him. He became that character and the new character knew just what to do next, or what stohry to tell.

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Amira 1982nd Curator of the Museum of Brave and Curious

Amira found that there were wonders upon wonders even in the tiniest and humblest of things. She founded the museum of dust.

Museum of Dust

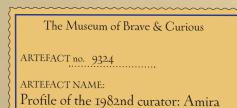
Amira would take pieces of sticky tape and spend exactly twenty minutes finding dust in as many odd places as she could.

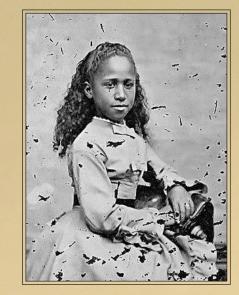
She would place each piece into a bag and add a label that told where it had been found.

She would often invite friends to come looking for dust with her.

When the bags of dust had been collected she would display them

together, curate them into a museum, and occassionaly she would take people on a guided tour.





Gretta

53rd Curator of the Museum of Brave and Curious

Gretta enjoyed finding her adventures in the morphing, twisting world of memories. She liked to be in the place where one person's memory finished and another began.

She is responsible for perfecting the use of matchbox memories.

Matchbox Memories

Gretta would meticulously record her memories in a special format. Onto a little slip of paper she would write one line that described something that had happened to her. She would roll up the piece of paper and place it into a matchbox. She had dozens of them stored up.

When she found herself stuck about how to be brave and curious she would take out the matchboxes and find someone to have a conversation with, or two people who might want to have a conversation with each other. Then she would offer them a matchbox and

ask them to talk about whatever was on the slip of paper. Sometimes she would give matchbox memories out to whole rooms of people enjoy all the amazing conversations, big or small, that would follow.

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