

That tap on the shoulder, that brush with intuition, that moment of startling clarity when you realize that you're functioning on a far different level than you have before - and it feels completely natural. Everyone's experienced it in some form, especially if you've worked with the arts of spiritual development or energetic healing. Some disciplines see these as a valuable tool, others as a distraction.

Are these inborn talents waiting to be rediscovered, or trainable skills - or both? How do you deal with them when they show up unannounced, and, most importantly, how do they fit in the "modern" world - and can (and should) they be used to change that world?

These are questions that Austin All Natural will be exploring in the next few issues. Here are personal experiences from a few of our contributors.

The Dimensional Expansion of the Mind.

A personal journey.

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"Pardon us. Can we speak German for a little bit?" Reiner asks me. I answer "Of course you can". I am sitting in a home in Germany with a fellow electrical engineer I work with in Indonesia, and his family. They are catching up after a lengthy absence. I am astonished to be comprehending the conversation even though I do not speak German. I realize that somehow I am hearing in a different way.

Months later, I wake up in a dream while in the Mandarin Hotel in Singapore having a conversation with Salenna's Chinese mother, a woman I never met. I was dating Salenna, who is half Chinese and half Malaysian. I find myself communicating in fluent Chinese and I have no training, whatsoever. The next time I saw her I confirmed that I had seen her mother, physically, and had heard the way she communicated with her children.

I remember the experience where I was given ill people's names and I remotely detected their state of health and information about their illnesses. Fast-forward twenty-five years: I go to a computer client's home, an elderly doctor. As soon as I step onto his porch I hear 'death, he's dying.' It was clear and persistent. I push that aside and was working when he made the comment that he would not be here much longer. The doctors give him one to two years to live. I express my condolences and ask if I can help in any way. He says that everything is in order.

That afternoon I go to a potential classroom space. I meet with the person, who had been friendly on the phone. I keep sensing that she does not want to be there and I feel put off because of the negativity I am detecting. As we visit the second floor room I detect a lot of negative energy. The next day, I find out she had a relative in another state seriously ill. I was detecting her pain but had not focused my mind to identify it accurately at the time.

The classroom of the mind.

I contemplate my studies for the last few years, meant to expand one's mental faculties. In one class, they said that as I practice more and more that I would continue to establish points of reference in my creative mind that would expand my mind's focus, power, and perceptual abilities. Maybe it actually is feasible to tap an innate genius mind.

Maybe this is my mind with a new dimensional experience, somewhat like walking into a vast unexpected cavern. There are so many more resources to explore. I certainly had not intended any of these experiences.

Buckminster Fuller said 'Everybody is born a genius. Society de-geniuses them.' If it can be undone then can it not be re-done? Maybe it just takes a new kind of classroom.

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