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Creativities and the Law

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"Creativity and creative thinking are crucial to the job performance of lawyers, judges and others working in law" (Lubart & Thornhill-Miller, 1). Creativity in law is not just legal innovation, it is also the creativity of lawyers and legal professionals. Lawyers are problem solvers who use creative thinking in drafting "a negotiated settlement agreement, crafting a persuasive closing argument, and structuring a multi-party real estate deal" (Anderson, 2022). Creativity and innovation in the law are increasingly important as clients want unique solutions to their legal issues (Legal Creatives, 2023). A better understanding of Creativities may help law students to appreciate how knowing more about creativity can be useful to their careers as lawyers. In her book, Creativities, the author discussed what creativity is and how one can best nurture creativity in different contexts. The book goes beyond the typical Western 'creative genius' model, illuminating global creativities, and addresses five key questions, the what, how, where, who, and why of the creative process, employing frameworks, questions, and illustrative 'recipes' designed to inspire out-of-the-box creative thinking.