

# More Praise for The Art of Original Thinking—The Making of a Thought Leader

*With the passing of Peter F. Drucker, the consummate thought leader, we all need to read Jan Phillips' book and adopt as our own her challenge to free ourselves from illusions and create a better life and business.*

KEN SHELTON, CHAIRMAN AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF  
Executive Excellence Publishing

*In a world of inevitable chaos and complexity, The Art of Original Thinking— The Making of a Thought Leader helps show that social consciousness and corporate performance can be simultaneously managed. Paradoxes of profit and people, growth and continuity, learning and heritage, collaboration and competition may be sources of tension that thoughtful leaders face and manage. The principles in the book can be used by leaders at all levels to generate new insights into old problems.*

DAVE ULRICH, PH.D.  
Professor, Ross School of Business, University of Michigan

*Jan Phillips' wonderful writing style together with powerful content in The Art of Original Thinking—The Making of a Thought Leader has made me take a hard look at business as usual in America. She debunks the myth that profit-making and social consciousness are poles apart. Brava, Jan, for asking the right questions!*

STANLEY WESTRIECH  
Capital One Financial, Board of Directors; Partner, Westfield Realty

*What sets apart The Art of Original Thinking—The Making of a Thought Leader is the deep reservoir of hope that underlies the powerful ideas and message. Referencing leaders in many fields, Jan Phillips shows how creativity and original thinking can help heal our businesses and planet.*

FREDERIC LUSKIN, PH.D.  
Director, Stanford Forgiveness Projects; Author of *Forgive for Good*

*At last, a book that unites the web of commerce with the web of life and provokes the unsettling questions that all true leaders need. What more could a leader want than to know how to leave a legacy of creative contribution!*

EILEEN MCDARGH, CSP, CPAE  
President, McDargh Communications and The Resiliency Group

*The Art of Original Thinking—The Making of a Thought Leader is a must read for anyone wanting to expand their thinking about work and life. Jan Phillips' practical insights will help you re-examine the assumptions by which you think and enhance your sense of life purpose.*

RICHARD CHANG, CEO, RICHARD CHANG ASSOCIATES, INC.  
Author of *The Passion Plan* and *The Passion Plan at Work*

*Jan Phillips has truly captured the essence of being a thought leader. By zooming in on prominent aspects of today's business world, Phillips accurately and efficiently demonstrates the NEED for innovative thought and leadership. Her flowing and easy-to-understand writing style appropriately inspires readers to embrace the fact that they too can become a successful thought leader. The Art of Original Thinking—The Making of a Thought Leader articulately maps out the steps necessary to seize one's ideas and transform them into desired knowledge. I recommend this book to motivate the inventive thinker in all of us.*

KEN LIZOTTE, CMC  
Chief Imaginative Officer, Emerson Consulting Group, Inc.

*Captivating stories, compelling examples and creative content. You will absolutely learn something new and original from reading this enjoyable book.*

DR. TONY ALESSANDRA  
Author of *Charisma* and *The Platinum Rule*

*Several thousand books on leadership have been written in recent years; this is one of the best. Jan Phillips describes the courage, actions and behaviors of creative thought leaders who get exceptional results by building trust and relationships combined with clarity of vision, purpose and core values to inspire people who see their work as something far beyond themselves. The uniqueness of the book is that it effectively addresses the dimension of successfully meshing corporate profit and goals with those of our global environmental and resource issues.*

RICHARD A. MCNEECE, LEADERSHIP CONSULTANT  
Former Chairman and CEO, First National Bancorp

*Jan Phillips is the ORIGINAL original thinker. Her powerful book will stir your gray matter, shift your paradigms, and allow you to experience a new way of thinking. Everything you do, see and contemplate will be changed as a result of reading this inspiring and thought-provoking work. Read it as if your life and the life of our planet depended on it.*

JENNI PRISK, CEO, PRISK COMMUNICATION  
Founder and President of Voices of Women

*I love the spirit of this book. It is greatly needed at this time in human history. The challenges we face are daunting and discouraging, but Jan Phillips gives us a high energy, uplifting vision of how we can all see beyond the false dualities such as sustainability and profit, and makes us believe that each of us can make our unique contribution to the "original thinking" required to turn that vision into reality. Not only does she inspire, but she gives us a practicum through her own thought leadership!*

JIM ZULL, PH.D.

Author of *The Art of Changing the Brain*

*I was struck by three things. First, she knows what she's talking about. By integrating the works of giants like Peter Drucker, Peter Senge and Paul Hawken she makes a strong case for leadership based on individual, original thinking that inspires the community to follow her lead. The humble, generous, self-offering leader leads by deed.*

*Second, she is an engaging storyteller. She understands the power of an anecdote to reinforce her main points. She says it well: "If a story can move you from thought to action, then you know the power of a well-told tale."*

*Third, Ms. Phillips makes a persuasive case that the best leaders in the 21st century will be individuals from organizations that understand that it is in their grandchildren's best interest to maximize the triple bottom line. These thought leaders will inspire and motivate the human capital within their organizations to maximize economic profits while leaving no footprints in the sand.*

*In conclusion, Ms. Phillips thinks outside the parallelogram. I will recommend this book to my students.*

DR. CURTIS L. DEBERG, FOUNDER OF SAGE  
Professor of Business, California State University, Chico

*Jan Phillips has done her homework in taking this giant step forward in reshaping our world view. Clear, concise—a true horizon of hope.*

MARILYN J. MASON, PH.D., PRESIDENT, MASON & ASSOCIATES  
Author of *Igniting the Spirit at Work: Daily Reflections*

*Jan Phillips mentors leaders at all levels with her forthright advice, her deep personal experience and her ability to draw on a vast array of resources and references to educate her readers and amplify her points. The author makes a very unique contribution to what has already been placed on the vast list of leadership books. Thank you, Jan, for providing such a vivid picture of what the modern leader must do to impact others in their own organization and beyond its boundaries as well.*

DR. BEVERLY KAYE, CEO/FOUNDER, CAREER SYSTEM INTERNATIONAL  
Author of *Up is Not the Only way*; coauthor of *Love 'Em or Lose 'Em*

*I was immediately drawn into the stories, examples and cutting-edge research. Jan easily moves between age-old wisdom and provocative thinking. She shows that you can use original approaches to win on all fronts. A must-read for anyone interested in authentic leadership!*

BONNIE ST. JOHN, MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR SPECIAL PROGRAMS, THE LEADER'S EDGE  
Author of *Succeeding Sane: Making Room for Joy in a Crazy World*

*The Art of Original Thinking is a timely and important book. It truly engaged me and sparked a shift in my thinking – how I view myself, my business and just how connected we all are in this global community we are creating.*

JACQUELINE TOWNSEND, CEO, Townsend, Inc.

*Synthesizing the best and most hopeful of what is emerging in such diverse fields as spirituality, business, science, social artistry and activism, The Art of Original Thinking comes as a timely and powerful invitation to each of us to be a more visible and vocal change agent wherever we are! In a style of writing that is deliciously creative, yet clear, practical and compelling, Jan Phillips will inspire and ignite the thought leader in you. I can just imagine the "Rosa Parks", "Nelson Mandelas" and "Mahatma Gandhis" this book will catapult onto the world stage.*

REV. WENDY CRAIG-PURCELL, FOUNDING MINISTER  
Church of Today, San Diego