

A PROFILE OF SUSAN BAINBRIDGE: FINDING YOUR VOICE

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ABSTRACT

To be an effective leader, individuals must learn to 'find their voice.' Susan Bainbridge has worked tirelessly to ensure that those with whom she works are empowered to confidently reach their intended goals, through building their understanding of the importance of voicing their ideas and visions. This paper profiles her life and accomplishments, as well as her beliefs and intentions with those she instructs, mentors, assists, and coaches. It overviews Bainbridge's philanthropy and her firm conviction that helping one person at a time to overcome their challenges adds value to your own existence. Changing one person's life, ripples out across their family and community. Although she has quietly worked on her projects for a lifetime, she now shares her story only in the hope that it will encourage readers to help others throughout their own lives. Leadership is facilitating and motivating others to be the best they can be. It is also about finding the joy in giving, and watching others succeed and find happiness.

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