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Abstract
Sara Kapadia, founder and outgoing Editor of The STEAM Journal, looks back to how it all started, rather like an egg of an idea, and how it grew with potential for more flourishing.

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When I think of the journey I took with The STEAM Journal I can't help but think of the New York Times bestselling children's book *What Do You Do With an Idea?*

Much like the book, the idea for The STEAM Journal came to me like a little egg way back in 2011. The first issue was published in 2013. It was such a wonderful surprise to see leading academics and artists take part in that inaugural issue, and since then we've seen issues with a Nasa astronaut, congress, a twice presidential advisor, children, a roller derby champion, and even a canine contributor with her own co-author recognition!

Since 2020 when I let the journal take flight somewhat unaided by me, I have been a nervous founder/parent watching as the journal has soared and at times seemed to almost flail but then pick up speed and soar again!

I'm excited to watch the journal's journey going forward and will always be a proud supporter. None of this would have been possible without the amazing efforts and sparks of brilliance by the stellar STEAM team at Claremont Graduate University that spans students, alumni, faculty past and current!

*A cracked egg and other imaginations*
Black ink drawn on paper • Sara Kapadia