

POWERED BY PLAYFUL INTELLIGENCE™

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Hello, I'm Brandi

People call me a “playful changemaker”—and I take that title seriously.

I'm also a best-selling author, award-winning educator, and internationally recognized expert on the science of play at work.

I help caring professionals and purpose-driven organizations restore their Playful Intelligence™—their biological drive to play—so they can reconnect with themselves and each other, even in the midst of stress, change, and overwhelm. I'm leading a workplace revolution against burnout and boredom by unlocking our biological drive to play.

My work is grounded in neuroscience and compassion, showing how play can reset our nervous systems, spark creativity, and rebuild the connection we often lose under the weight of *trying to do it all, with less, perfectly.*

My work is bold, deeply human, and unlike anything you've ever experienced. I'm here to remind you that play isn't the opposite of work, it's how we do our best work.



25+ YEARS

Experience as a College Professor and Therapeutic Play Specialist



4 TIME NOMINEE

For The Women's Entrepreneurship Award and a 2024 Nominee for the RBC Women of Influence Award



BEST SELLING AUTHOR

Happiness, Creativity, Educational Leadership and Inclusive Education

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- Master's Degree in Physical Education
- Bachelor of Education in Inclusive Education
- Diversity and Inclusion Certificate, Cornell University
- Advanced Certification in Play Therapy

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Brandi's Best-Selling Book!

Return To Play:
Rebuilding Resilience, Risk and Reconnection



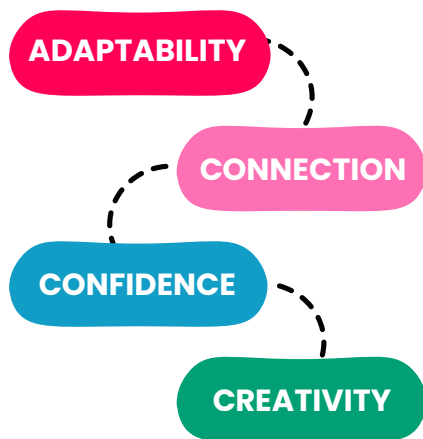
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SCIENCE-BACKED STRATEGIES ROOTED IN PSYCHOLOGY, NEUROSCIENCE, AND PHYSIOLOGY.

WHAT IS PLAYFUL INTELLIGENCE?

Playful Intelligence™ is the human capacity to connect, adapt, and create – powered by our biological drive to play.

What happens when we find our Playful Intelligence (PI)?



YOUR PI SHOWS UP WHEN

You feel safe, connected, trusted, valued, capable, seen and even challenged at work.

YOU LOSE ACCESS TO PI

Under the weight of fear, uncertainty, comparison, exhaustion, and perfectionism.

WITHOUT PI,

People stop trusting themselves and others, sharing new ideas or showing up.

**BUT IT'S ALWAYS THERE -
waiting for you to press play.**

How do I bring Playful Intelligence to my organization?

SIGNATURE KEYNOTES

You Can't Play in a Show Home:

Building a Worklife You Can Live In

Leaders Play First:

The Keynote That Recharges The People Everyone is Relying On

The Future of Working Together is Powered by Playful Intelligence™

Healing Our Caring Systems: How Playful Intelligence Builds Adaptability, Courage, and Connection.

CUSTOM WORKSHOPS

Burnout Prevention and Psychological Safety

→ Exhaustion is at an all-time high: Playful Intelligence™ builds lasting trust and energy fast.

Employee Retention and Culture Repair

→ Turnover is costing companies millions. Know your team, build your team, keep your team.

Creativity, Innovation & Adaptability for Future-Ready Thinking

→ Groundbreaking ideas and collaboration come from the space, time confidence to play.



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IN ACTION!

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signature Keynotes

1. You Can't Play in A Show Home: Building a Worklife You Can Live In

Gain profound insight into how living a 'show home' life can erode our ability to take care of ourselves and do our best work and the ramifications of neglecting one's playful side; a loss that extends to our ability to cope, connect and create.

2. Leaders Play First: The Keynote That Helps The People Everyone is Relying On

What if the secret to stronger leadership isn't working harder—but playing smarter? Discover how play unlocks creativity, resilience, and deeper team connections in ways you never expected.

3. Get Powered by Playful Intelligence™: The Human Operating System for Connection, Adaptability, and Creativity

In this unforgettable keynote, Brandi Heather shows you how to face change, lead with confidence, and share your unfiltered ideas by tapping into your biological drive to play. Find out how to activate your Playful Intelligence™ - your built-in drive for curiosity, risk-taking, and leading with spark. Then learn how to reset your own energy when the pressure is high and spot the playful strengths in your team - so you can match their brilliance to their best work. Play first. Lead boldly.

4. Healing Our Caring Systems Rebuilding Resilience, Risk and Connection

Who is taking care of people who take care of people? This talk uses a collaborative new lens for compassion-led workforces to THRIVE and leaves you with the tools for increased personal and professional confidence and creativity.

Looking For Something Custom?

Not Everything Fits Into a Standard Box

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Working With Brandi

What to Expect

High-energy, interactive, evidence-based keynotes and workshops that leave participants feeling more agile, resilient and energized to do the work they love.

- Pre-event meetings, personalized surveys and collaboration
- Customized content to meet your organizational or event goals
- Videos and book giveaways to boost engagement and advertising
- Custom post-event Play Book with insights and highlights of the Keynote

Who Brandi Works With

Brandi works with clients who are seeking a hands-on approach to enhance employee retention, wellness, and productivity.

Her clients are open-minded and eager to try something new and are looking for more than just information - they want to provide themselves and their employees with a truly exciting and uplifting experience.

Together, they embark on transformative journeys that reignite team spirit and cultivate a dynamic and motivated workplace culture

If you are ever unsure of what Brandi can offer your company specifically, she is always open to a call to discuss possibilities!

What Brandi Needs For Success

Brandi loves to connect with you (her clients) before the event to learn their needs and help make your event a success

On the day, she's happy to join for lunch or networking to connect with attendees before she hits the stage. And she loves to hang around after to answer questions or sign her books

She's a hand-talker, so a wireless lav or headset mix is always appreciated, and she presents with a PowerPoint on her Macbook, so as long as you've got a screen and projector, she'll have the computer and all the connectors.

Most of all, she loves to have fun, and expects you will too!

