

**December 12, 2024** 

## Today's Agenda

- My Background
- Silicon Valley: History of Risk
- InterGen Silicon Valley Bootcamp Details and Description
- Why You Want to Go

#### My Background

- Grew up and live in Silicon Valley
- Also lived in Mexico and Japan
- Co-founder, Garage.com
- 11 years, Adobe Entrepreneur-in-Residence
- Multi-time startup CMO/VP Marketing
- Worked with 300+ startups from 20+ countries, including more than 75
   Canadian companies
- Founder and Chief Mentor, C100 Growth
- University Lecturer, Adjunct Professor, and Program Director (Santa Clara University Leavey School of Business, Deggendorf Institute of Technology)

# Silicon Valley: History of Risk



#### **Fairchildren**

#### SILICON VALLEY COMPANIES THAT CAN BE TRACED BACK TO FAIRCHILD SEMICONDUCTOR

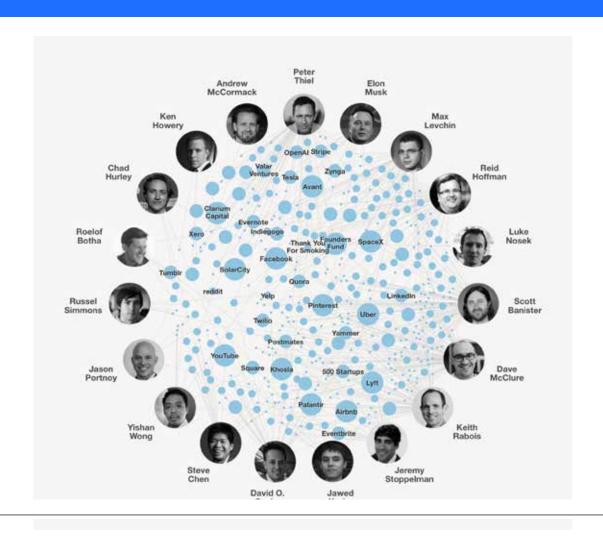
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Note: Companies above are listed by their ticker symbols in descending order of their market capitalization on July 15, 2014. Source: Endeavor Insight.

# PayPal Mafia



## **PayPal Offspring Companies**



## What's So Special about Silicon Valley?

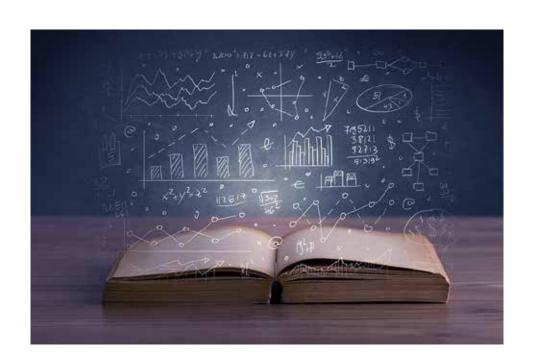


#### Silicon Valley by the Numbers

- 10% of California's population and ~1% of US population
- 1% of California's land mass
- 18.5% of California's GDP
- ~72% of California VC and 40% of US VC
- ~52% of California's patents
- 50% of California's IPOs
- 50+% of population has university or graduate degrees
- 38% of population is foreign-born
- Avg. annual earnings = ~\$170k USD (more than 2x US average)

Sources: Silicon Valley Index: https://jointventure.org/images/stories/pdf/index2022.pdf, Pitchbook

## What's the Story Behind the Numbers



#### **What Silicon Valley Gets Right**

- Grit
- Growth and growth mindset
- Risk
- Big vision and ability to extrapolate
- Seeing opportunity everywhere
- Comfort with failure
- An accepting meritocracy
- Capitalism
- Pay it forward

## But Silicon Valley Isn't All Sunshine and Roses



## Six Downsides to the Silicon Valley Way

- 1. Growth at all costs
- 2. Templated approach
- 3. Reductionist thinking
- 4. Approval by proxy
- 5. Incestuous culture
- 6. Mental and physical health

# Can Silicon Valley Be Replicated?



# Silicon Valley Is a Mindset





#### InterGen Silicon Valley Bootcamp Overview

- 4 days in Palo Alto/Silicon Valley
- Workshop and expert speakers
- Pre- and post-trip mentoring
- Create community among cohort companies

## InterGen Silicon Valley Bootcamp Objectives

- Silicon Valley culture and best practices
- Network of potential supporters
- Competition
- Calgary scale-up community and relationships

#### **Workshop and Expert Speakers**

- Workshop will provide combination of best practices, frameworks, and hands-on exercises, covering topics, such as:
  - Strategy
  - Leadership
  - Product
  - Go-to-Market
  - People and teams
  - Fundraising and finance



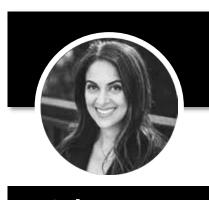










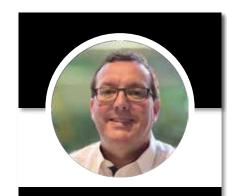


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#### **Thomas Nielsen**

Former Chief Digital Officer







#### **Robert Hatta**

Human Capital Partner











## **Next Steps and Logistics**

- Interested companies will apply to participate through a competitive selection process
  - InterGen will evaluate applicant companies based on market traction, potential, stage, and commitment to attend and engage
  - Application will include a short form AND investor or company overview presentation
  - Applications will be due on January 3, 2025

#### **Participant Acceptance and Costs**

- Accepted companies will be notified by January 10, 2025
- Accepted companies will be required to commit to participate by January 21, 2025
- Company commitment includes signed participation agreement, \$1000 deposit, and airplane tickets and travel itinerary for InterGen travel planning purposes (e.g., potential airport transfers and hotel recommendations)
- Companies will be responsible for all travel costs (i.e., flights, lodging, local surface travel, and non-hosted meals) and workshop catering
- InterGen will cover all program, speaker, and mentoring fees.

# **Questions and Answers**