**Thinking outside the box - taking collaboration beyond editorial**

Our bread and butter is investigative, and our main platforms [Reveal](https://www.revealnews.org/episodes), our national radio program and podcast as well as our [website](https://www.revealnews.org/) regularly [partner on editorial stories](https://www.revealnews.org/pitching-reveal/), however in the quest to make sure our stories connect with multiple audiences and have impact on different platforms, we have done many different kinds of collaborations that stretch our creativity.

Often partners are doing creative and provocative work and through collaboration you can enhance your joint goals.

The key is for both partners to share goals and look for growth.

CIR/Reveal has done many partnerships outside the box in this fashion. This has allowed staff opportunities for cross training, creative thinking in new areas and over time become a differentiator for the organization.

Here are just a few to get you thinking.

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Storyworks – theater partnership. Now a tract of Reveal with a full time staff theater director: Jenna Welch

<https://storyworks.revealnews.org/>

Comedy and community engagement

<https://www.revealnews.org/blog/its-funny-because-its-true-fact-based-comedy-can-affect-audiences/>

Animation, collaboration with artists, musicians.

<https://www.revealnews.org/article/video-the-box/>

<https://www.revealnews.org/article/cir-and-cca-to-launch-collaborative-animated-investigations-course/>

<https://youtu.be/fv1dvqRBPcI>

<https://www.revealnews.org/article/what-we-learned-blending-animation-and-investigative-reporting/>

Graphic Novels

<https://www.revealnews.org/article-legacy/graphic-novel-the-box/>

<https://www.revealnews.org/article-legacy/graphic-novel-techsploitation/>

Film

<https://www.revealnews.org/blog/cir-launches-2-new-opportunities-for-women-in-film/>

Roundup of opportunities recently put together by the Global Investigative Journalism Network, citing examples across the world.

<http://gijn.org/2017/02/27/gijn-members.-think-out-of-the-box/>