

Mapping Transitions: Counter-Cartographical Responses to Flow and Fixity in a World of Mobility

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Abstract

The cross border mobilities that characterize our post-colonial condition proceed at variable speeds, even within a singular journey. The kind of mapping that will serve for one situation might not necessarily work for another. This raises a number of questions: when might topological mapping be more effective than topographical?; when might large-scale mapping work better than small (and vice-versa)?; and what role might subjective wayfinding have within cartographic discourse? In particular I want to examine the moments of transition between these differing modalities of mapping.

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