The edge condition

Globally we are in a new regime of segregation Modern cities are becoming less porous spaces in which people cannot mix

How can we co-operate? How do we resist this? How do we deal with domination?

Hard is the Boundary Soft is the Border

It is not clarity that makes us cognitively attentive it's ambiguity Resist the fixed inert regime of power by asking questions / Be suspicious

Are spaces where people can practice politics are becoming invisible? Argument should focus on border space for resistance / Rupture

The Occupy model drew people to visible location to create a vital centre for political activity = short terms visibility / politics as event

Strengthen borders and weaken boundaries

Occupy space sporadically

Spectacle Politics Politics as Process Political Space

Segregation and boundary the overwhelming political issue of our time

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