

From Counter-Mapping to Artist's Mapping to Community Mapping

In groups, and without using your phones or iPads, try to draw a map of Exeter, including the university campus, from memory.



Early maps were often written on with accounts of tours, histories, or itineraries of pilgrimages, but as the history of the map goes on such writing and their pictorial figurations are eliminated, giving way to purely spatial description.

(Michel de Certeau, 1984: 121)

J. H. Andrews describes, on the Dartmouth Maps of 1598, for example, there is the description:

‘In this bog there is every whott [hot?] summer strange fighting of battles sometimes at foot sometimes wt horse, sometimes castles seen on a sudden, sometimes great store of cows driving & fighting for them.’

(qtd in Andrews 1997: 202)



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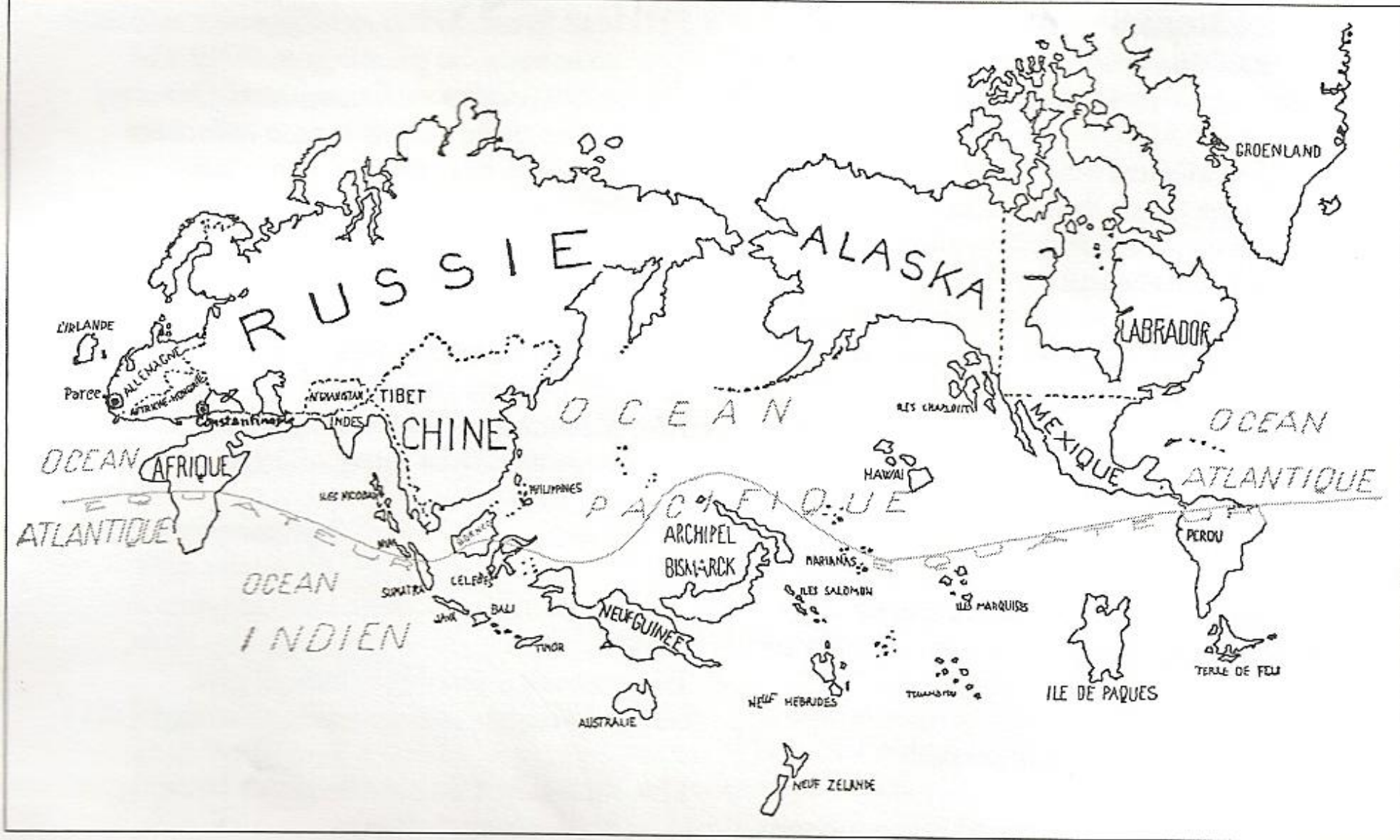
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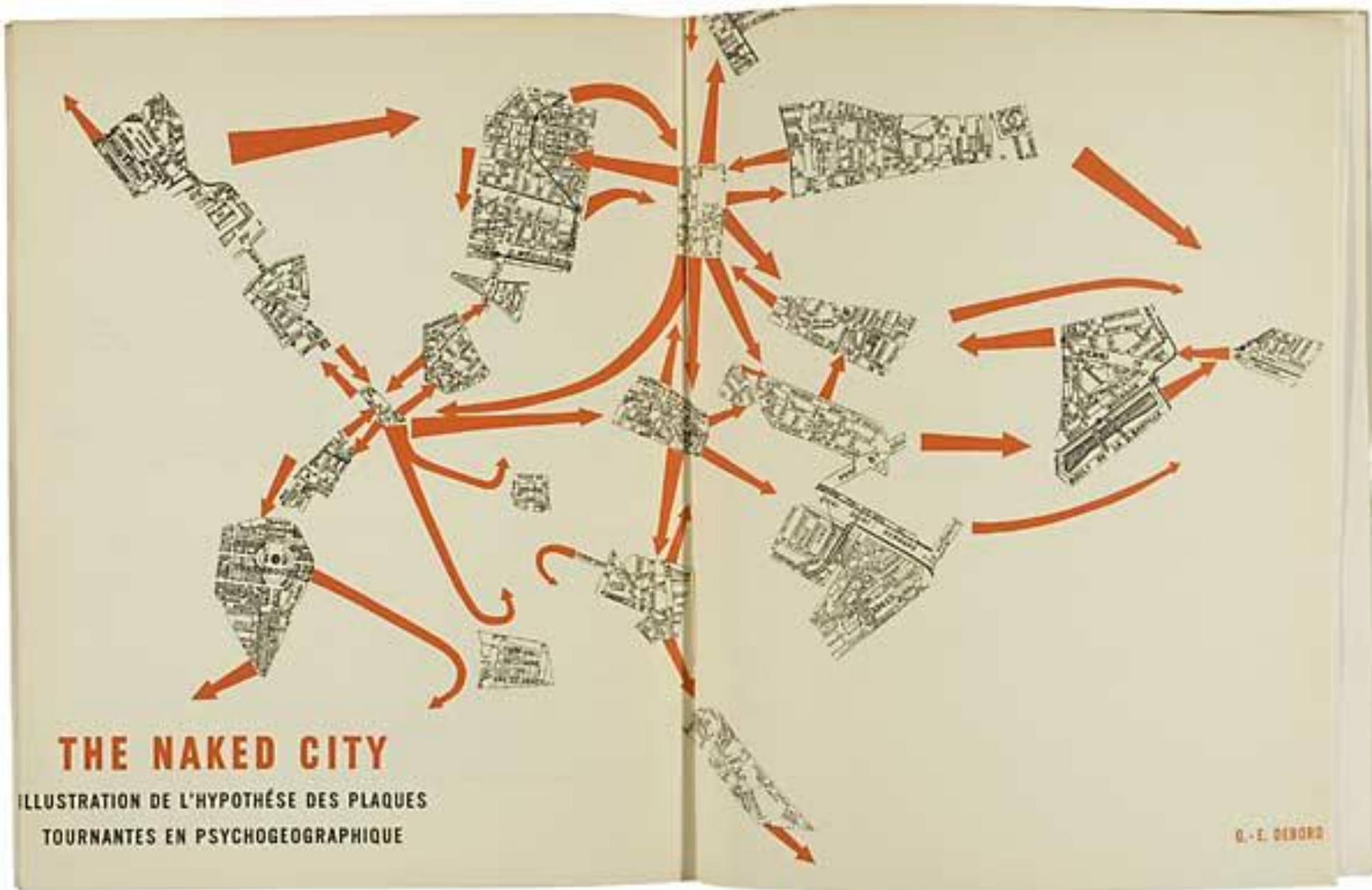


'The World According to The Surrealists', 1929

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COLONIAL POSSESSIONS OF WORLD POWERS, 1914



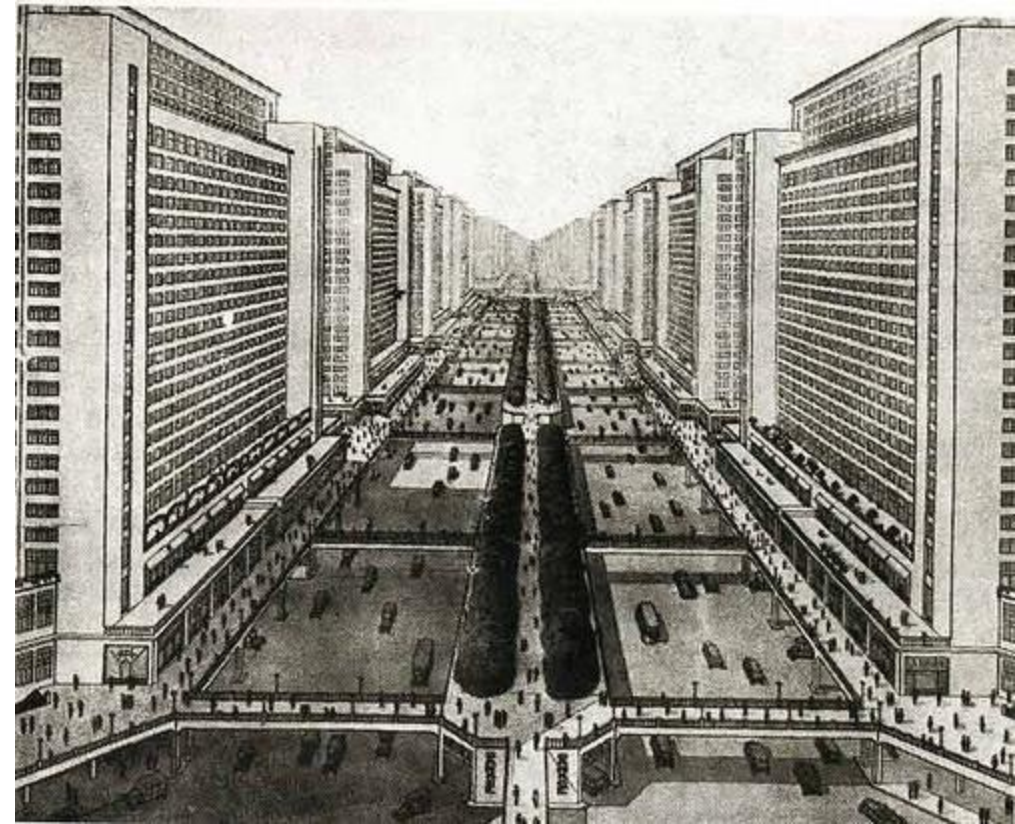


The Situationist's Map, 1957

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Le Corbusier's Urban Planning





'It begins with, and is sustained by, inclusive gestures and encouraging questions. What is important to you about this place, what does it mean to you? What makes it different from other places? What do you value here? What do we know, what do we want to know? How can we share our understandings? What could we change for the better? Turning each other into experts in this way helps to liberate all kinds of quiet knowledge, as well as passion, about the place. Making a Parish Map can inform, inspire, embolden.'

- Sue Clifford

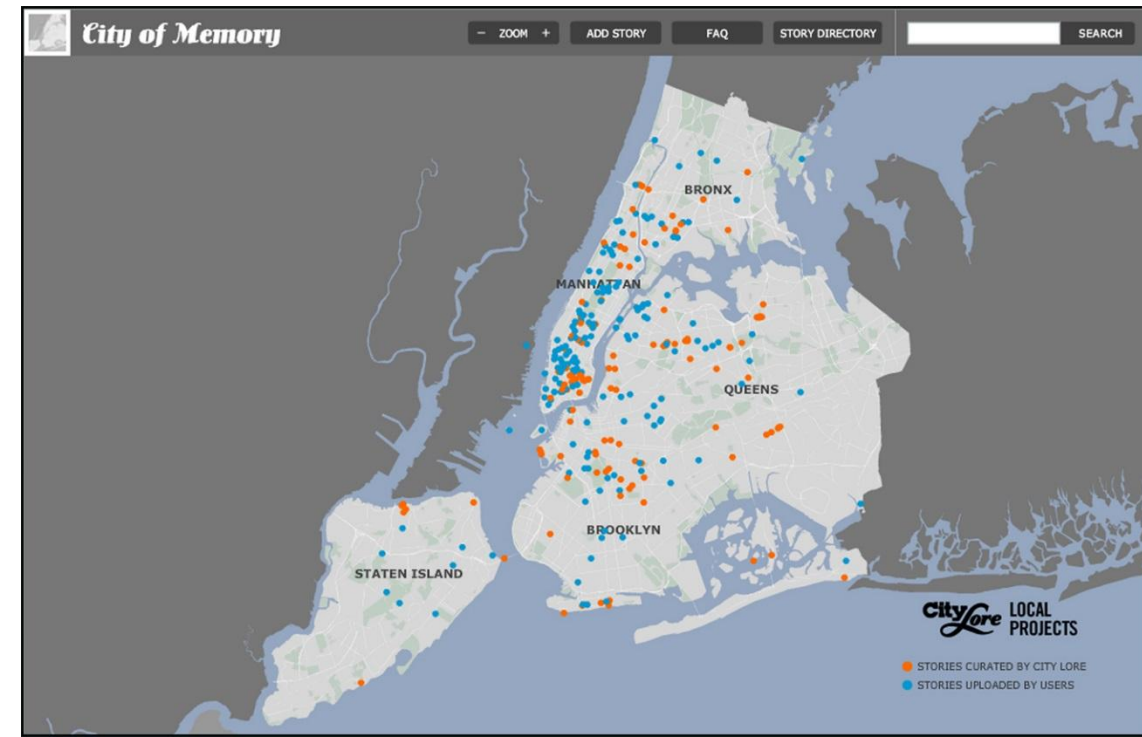
- Embroidered Parish Map of Redlynch, Wiltshire



Jake Barton's 'Memory Maps' was a system of enormous borough maps of New York City that allowed visitors to share their stories of the city by pinning vellum sheets to specific locations. The written stories from this installation were archived and enhanced with curated stories to create cityofmemory.org, a living archive of personal geographies. 2001.

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<http://cityofmemory.org/map/index.php#/story/2063/>



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