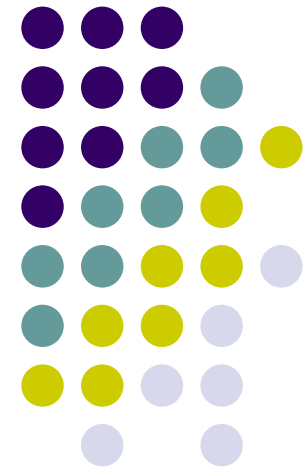


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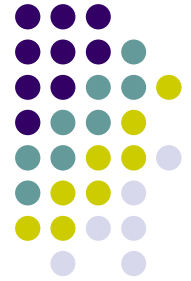
From exclusion/inclusion to
engagement in urban governance

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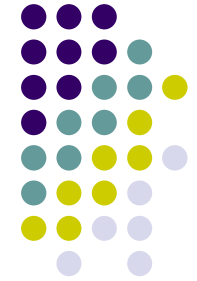


**“No fun. No hope. Don,t
Belong.”**

- VOID, C.L.F. crew, 1995 in *GiBBER* magazine



Introduction: child-friendly cities and social control



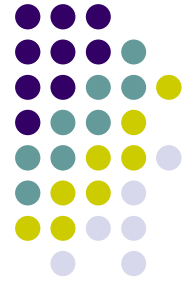
- Exclusion, inclusion and beyond...
- Can we imagine a vision of child-friendly cities which is not at its heart a vision of social control?

Introduction: child-friendly cities and social control



- Today's presentation:
 1. Circuits of inclusion, circuits of exclusion: social control in the neoliberal city:
 2. Neoliberalism's children: the 'child', the 'anti-social youth', and the 'responsible parent' as problems for urban governance
 3. Two case studies: 'youth' on the streets in Perth, graffiti in Sydney
 4. From a policy of inclusion to a politics of engagement?

Circuits of inclusion and exclusion



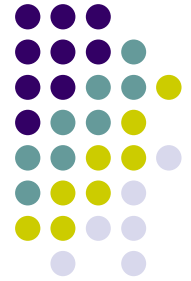
- The emerging policy context: “neoliberalisation”
 - Privatisation, marketisation, consumerisation, competitive urbanism, etc.
 - Scepticism about state’s capacity to secure goods
 - Individuals, families, firms, communities as ‘autonomous’ and ‘responsible’
 - States simultaneously ‘rolling back’ in some areas and ‘rolling out’ in others

Circuits of inclusion and exclusion



- Neoliberalism and social control:
 - Citizens, communities urged and enabled to take **responsibility** for security and good order
 - State support combines **facilitation** and **authoritarianism**
 - Social control by enmeshing some individuals within **circuits of inclusion** and others within **circuit of exclusion**

Circuits of inclusion and exclusion



- Constructing circuits of inclusion and exclusion in the city:
 - Policing no longer a matter only for ‘the police’
 - ‘Community’ as a means of government
 - Mapping the circuits onto the city: archipelagos of security spaces, residual spaces, and incarceration spaces
 - Distinguishing between different categories of citizens and their place in ‘the community’...

Circuits of inclusion and exclusion



- Distinguishing between citizens:
 - A. Autonomous individuals
 - B. Autonomous individuals in a spot of bother
 - C. Potentially autonomous individuals who require opportunities for training
 - D. Incompetent individuals who can't acquire autonomy
 - E. Anti-social individuals who won't take their place in 'the community'



Neoliberalism's children

- The 'child', the 'anti-social youth', and the 'responsible parent' as key figures in urban social control discourse
- The child:
 - Vulnerable, future-citizen
 - Parental responsibility for socialisation, security
 - The restriction of children's spatial ranges

Neoliberalism's children



- The anti-social youth:
 - Disruptive, anti-citizen
 - Parental responsibility for socialisation failures
 - The urban dimension...

Perth: making the city centre an 'adult space'



- The agenda: making Perth's city centre a 'City for People'
 - Competitive urbanism, city centre v other cities and suburbs
- The problem: young people on the streets

Perth: making the city centre an 'adult space'



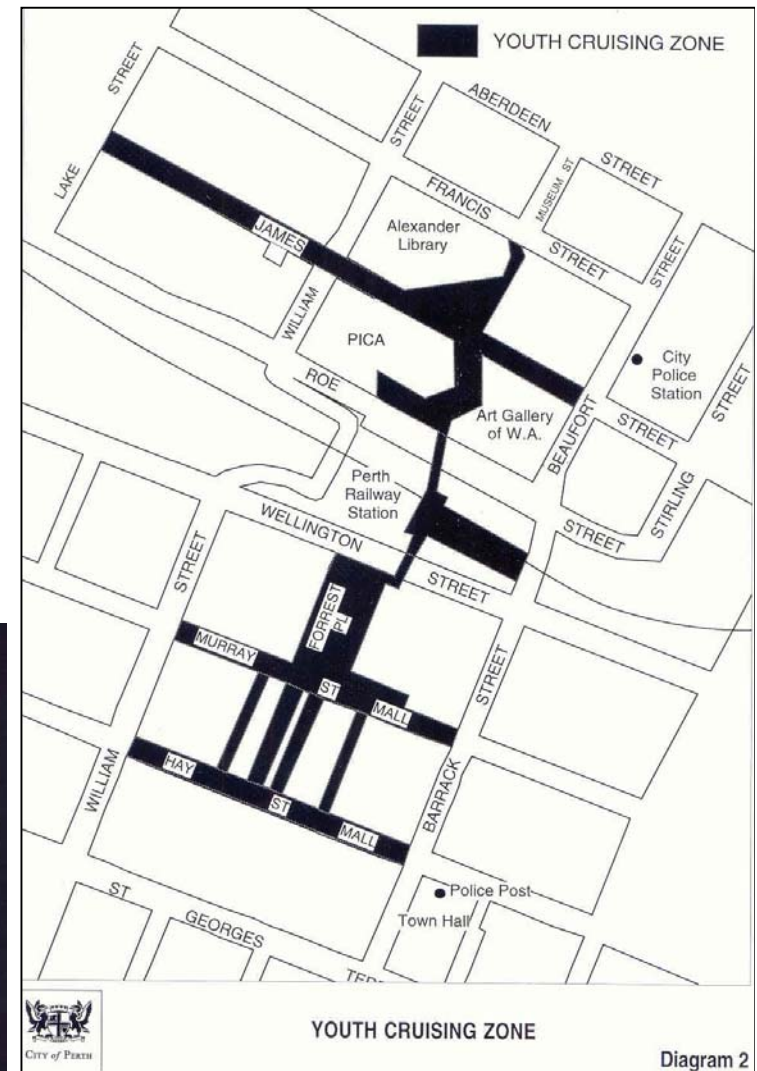
- Circuits of exclusion:
 - Media panics
 - Technologies of surveillance
 - Specialist policing units ('JAG Team'), policing operations ('Sweep', 'Family Values', etc)
 - Securing the railways
 - Urban design
 - The costs of exclusion?



Perth: making the city centre an 'adult space'



- Circuits of inclusion:
 - 1997 Youth Forum: a 'Harmonious City?'
 - Mapping the 'youth cruising zone'
 - Billboard ads
 - Parental/community support



Perth: making the city centre an 'adult space'



- Beyond inclusion/exclusion?
 - *GiBBER* magazine and the circuits of exclusion
 - Censorship in the name of 'the community'

Counting the cost of the war on graffiti in Sydney



- The agenda: quality of life
- The problem: graffiti as a 'broken window'



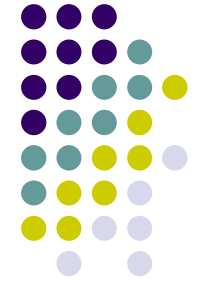
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- Circuits of exclusion:
 - Media panics
 - Tougher penalties
 - Specialist police units (GTF)
 - Urban design
 - Planning powers on publicly accessible private property



Counting the cost of the war on graffiti in Sydney



- Circuits of inclusion:
 - 'Beat graffiti' grants schemes
 - Community reintegration/shaming
 - Legal walls
 - Market support



Counting the cost of the war on graffiti in Sydney



- Beyond inclusion/exclusion?
 - A different problem – bad graffiti





Concluding remarks

- Challenging the **framing** of ‘the problem’ as well as challenging **solutions** to ‘the problem’
- From policies of inclusion/exclusion to a politics of engagement?