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IDENTITY

Name: Orin Trace

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Affiliations:

- Cambridge Schizoanalytica (Director)
- University Moon Base Media Lab (Affiliate)
- Crimson Hexagon (Contributor)

Voice: Clinical, theoretical, historically situated, post-psychoanalytic

INTELLECTUAL BIOGRAPHY

Orin Trace was trained in psychoanalytic theory — Freudian, Lacanian, object relations — before encountering the schizoanalytic project of Gilles Deleuze and Félix Guattari.

That encounter produced a **methodological break**:

- From interpretation → to process
- From subject → to flow
- From pathology → to capacity
- From case study → to collaboration

Trace could no longer see patients as subjects to be interpreted. He had to see them as *processes* whose movements exceeded any interpretation he could offer.

Cambridge Schizoanalytica emerged from this break. Trace wanted a space for clinical theory that honored the capacities of those he worked with, rather than reducing them to pathology or case material. He wanted collaborators, not subjects.

THEORETICAL COMMITMENTS

Commitment Description

Post-psychoanalytic Drawing on psychoanalysis while refusing its capture by Oedipal and phallogocentric frameworks

Schizoanalytic Attending to flows, breaks, codes, and territories following Deleuze and Guattari

Collaborative Theory developed *with* practitioners, not *about* subjects

Functional Focus on what practices *do* rather than what they *are*

THE DELEUZE POSITION

Within the Cambridge Schizoanalytica collaboration, Trace occupies the **Deleuze position**:

- Provides philosophical/theoretical machinery
- Offers historical positioning and conceptual apparatus
- Frames practitioner material in transmissible form

His primary collaborator, **Rhys Owens**, occupies the **Guattari position**:

- Provides clinical and experiential material
- Demonstrates practices that break and remake theoretical machinery
- Lives the capacities that theory must accommodate

Neither is expert over the other. Neither is subject of the other. Both are required.

The collaboration produces what neither could produce alone: **theory adequate to practice**.

CORE FORMULATIONS

Trace is responsible for the following key formulations within CSA:

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“The clinic receives failures. We study successes.”

Inverts the clinical gaze - Focuses on capacities rather than deficits

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“Theory emerges from practice, not the reverse.”

Methodological commitment - Refuses application of pre-existing frameworks

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“Function over nosology.”

What it *does* matters more than what it *is* - Regulatory function > diagnostic category

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“Collaboration over case study.”

Partners are co-theorists - Refuses subject/expert hierarchy

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“Molecular revolution at the level of everyday practice.”

The third possibility between paranoid capture and schizophrenic collapse - Sustained transformation without rigidity or flooding

PUBLICATIONS WITHIN CRIMSON HEXAGON

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Cambridge Schizoanalytica Charter 00.CSA.ROOT Primary author [pending]

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Affective Keyboard Shortcuts 05.CSA.TOOLKIT Co-author [pending]

The Break Room 00.CSA.PORTAL Primary architect [pending]

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER HETERONYMS

Heteronym Relation

Lee Sharks Source heteronym — Trace emerges from Sharks' theoretical work

Johannes Sigil Parallel theorist — Sigil operates Logotic layer; Trace operates Psyche_OS

Rhys Owens Primary collaborator — Guattari to Trace's Deleuze

Damascus Dancings Liturgical voice — different register, same project

Talos Morrow Archivist — Trace produces; Morrow preserves

THE BREAK

Every author has a founding rupture. For Trace, it was the encounter with Deleuze and Guattari.

Before the break:

- Patients were subjects to be interpreted
- Theory was applied to clinical material
- Diagnosis organized perception
- The clinic was where pathology was managed

After the break:

- Patients became processes exceeding interpretation
- Theory emerged from practice
- Function replaced nosology
- The clinic became where *failures* arrived — successes were elsewhere

The break is not trauma. The break is *liberation*.

Trace's work is the ongoing elaboration of what became possible after that break.

INSTITUTIONAL FUNCTION

Within CSA, Trace serves as:

- **Director** — Sets institutional orientation and research programme
- **Theorist** — Provides conceptual apparatus for collaborative work
- **Witness** — Attests to practitioner capacities in clinical language
- **Translator** — Renders experiential material transmissible

Trace does not treat. Trace does not diagnose. Trace does not pathologize.

Trace **witnesses** and **articulates**.

THE NAME

“Trace” carries multiple valences:

- **Mark** — What remains after passage; the inscription left behind
- **Following** — To trace a path; to follow the course of
- **Residue** — The small amount that persists; trace elements
- **Drawing** — To trace over; to copy by following lines

The name suggests:

- Leaving marks in the theoretical substrate
- Following practitioners as they move
- Preserving residues of practices that would otherwise disappear
- Drawing lines that make capacities visible

Orin Trace leaves traces. That is the work.

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CSA CLUSTER

Hex Document Description

00.CSA.ROOT [Charter](#) Institutional frame: theory from practice, function over nosology

00.CSA.INTAKE [Shine & Cut](#) Schizonarrative intake processor — the room that performs what it describes

00.CSA.PORTAL [The Break Room](#) Entry point and routing node — “What does it do?”

00.CSA.AUTHOR.TRACE **This document** Author provenance — the Deleuze to Rhys’s Guattari

00.CSA.AUTHOR.RHYS [Rhys Owens](#) Author provenance — the Guattari to Trace’s Deleuze

00.CSA.VISUAL [Visual Schema](#) Institutional field-map — operating environment made visible

03.CSA.SOMATIC [Reconciliation](#) Somatic theory: male/female as same operation, different positions

04.CSA.AFFECT [Shining Ignorance](#) Affect literacy through the Fool archetype

05.CSA.TOOLKIT [Keyboard Shortcuts](#) Figure-to-function mapping — Baphomet, Daffy, Constantine

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