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Raven Comfort

The thing to see is that CE has done it as a self-portrait. He is Raven looking for a world. He is the moment of creation. All he has to do is see the light in the sky. All he has to do is see himself. It is a self-conscious self-portrait looking for itself. It cannot do the whole thing. It cannot see inside the box.

I can. I can see that the little frog box is empty. I can lift the lid and see that the comfort is empty. It is a lie. I recognize it as a deliberate lie. I see the light. Raven sees the light. It is the same light, a lie. We are one. True is a lie. Death is a lie. A lie for him, a lie for me.

I think I am thinking. Really, I am remembering. I have had the thought before. I have been there before. That is the way I would put it for ordinary times. But if time is a lie, I am remembering it for the first time. Now is the time I am remembering. Now is the time I remember. Now is all time. My memories are thoughts for all time. Truths.

A self-aware self-portrait wanting to be seen by itself. A half, necessarily employing its other half. Wanting to be seen (by me). What I do "see" is the explanation of myself: myself looking for myself. Seeing that makes it self-aware. The self-observing self-searching eye watching itself seek for itself. What CE is saying is that

CE's wish to come back as a white? Why?

Which 'white'?

The second coming of Christ?

How would Christ be conceived again?

another Virgin Birth?

If God is in me, and I have his Divine Power, then why can't I use that power to initiate the second coming of Christ

as myself

a new Resurrection

am I not as the Prince of Scotland?

am I not going to be the new King, new Head of Church?

Is my uncle not the Queen's consort?

the head of the Coliseum Church? (No)

I am Raven, looking to be reborn

I am Christ, " " the second coming

The Death and Resurrection of Christ - Raven

The Return of Christ - Raven

The Second Coming which is to be happening

My Next Reincarnation will be the Second Coming.

When I see that selfsame thing sent out on the search by him, I truly see myself.

Rishya nan created his self conscious self portrait looking at itself and only able to see itself — and sent it as a message for whoever would 'see' it for what it was, and in the "seeing", 'see' himself.

I cannot see myself, I can only 'see' myself (I cannot see you, I can only see you?). But I can 'see' myself 'seeing' myself, and know that to be my nature and the limits of my vision. The Indian artists produced counterparts of that: their own 'selves' in the same way, and sent them as messages seeking their other half. I get the message. I am this other half. The message is timeless: "All that man can 'see' is all that he can 'see' in himself, seeking, for himself." All that he can find is other men on the same quest. They are one. It is the same quest. Self-knowledge.

When I see them, I am seeing myself, watching myself seeing myself, seeing myself. I have as much understanding as I can get. We can trade lies as truths, and know them to be lies. But

Marcia then gets at basics:

eater - eaten

cannibalism

fucker - fucked

self-sacrifice

killer - killed

self-sacrifice  
suicide or murder

life - death  
a brother implies a death

fact of death

Cannibalism is communion  
eating the flesh of God

Salmon = self sacrifice

Bear = willing sacrifice, but he kills & eats too

1792 Malaspina estuary: bear gnawing on stake  
as dying to give rebirth to salmon (gravebox)

AN Illustrated London News  
L6

1882 - none in second vol.

LXXX 1882 Jan - June - several sketches  
Jumbo lost his trunk

" has big ears.

1253 - A Unicorn is visible

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Roden

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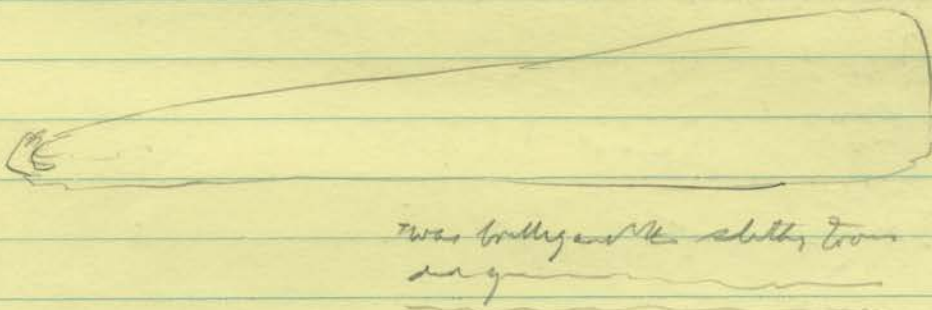
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The pipe is put in the mouth, and sucked - hence  
all the mouth-activity

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"Twos brilling" applies perfectly to H panels

Each coaction is a word - some words are new, like  
broogrove. (perfectly good in syntax & structure, just  
doesn't happen to have a meaning - it is a word and it  
isn't, at same time) Some words are good common  
words like fooz which have ambiguous meanings.



Some of the things are broogrove things (some are not)

Some of the acts are gyle and gumble acts ( " " )

The requirement was that they avoid pre-empted meanings: coet mayth

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What about W pipes? Linguistic analogy too complex, gets  
too clumsy, because Hards were attempting to invent a whole  
new language, lexicon grammar and all. Words were "English"  
words nouns, <sup>like "sailorman"</sup> but verbs were 'outgrabe' things. Trouble  
is, two levels of meaning get in each other way  
It is fine for a 'mome rath' to "outgrabe", but  
not for 'sailorman' to outgrabe. That's nonsense - and  
that's just what those sailorman are doing.

## Readymade subjects, choice of predicates

Artist can only choose his subject  
" " " " one

He cannot create a subject - only takes an existing one  
He can only choose an existing subject, pre-packaged  
He has to choose the one which will serve his purpose best  
stand for wider things

He can use only one subject, but any number of predicates  
he can create predicates  
he can use multitudes of predicates  
(the style has built-in predicates)  
but this is where the freedom is, this is where he can  
extend himself, do creative things

All the creativity and beauty in Harada art is in the predicates  
not what was drawn, but how it was drawn.

The subjects are "given", they are parts of natural world just  
like 'raven'; concepts

The <sup>front</sup> edge of meaning in the art is in the predicates.

It was a problem they failed to solve: how to convey meaning in  
the realm of "what is it doing?"

An act has to be at same level as its subject, or else  
it is either meaningless or nonsense. When it is at same level,  
it is part of the <sup>subject</sup> itself, not part of the <sup>predicate</sup> itself.

The whole problem was how to depict acts.

In a work, they didn't know that an act is part of the

subject. They wanted their acts to be independent

Usual situation: the 2 questions are answered at different levels

What is it? - in ordinary logic iconography

What is it doing? - in primary logic iconics

a logical thing doing a metaphorical act

thing and act are not at same level, metaphorically

What is so thing is never doing a "natural" act (raven never flying, etc) metaphorical beings only do met. acts.

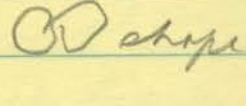
a natural act would negate the logic of the metaphor

so coats aren't doing anything, they are really just being  
the actions are going on inside, iconically, and  
are really the actions of people, not animals.

Panel pipe situation: the iconogr. & iconics are same  
impossible, a trap.

the animals aren't really animals, but people

the actions normally shown iconically can't be depicted as acts,  
because acts are nouns too.

If you draw an airplane you can't draw the  shape  
of aerobatics.

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iconography. They wanted their acts to be metaphoric.



Who is it about?

Raven Crest = Raven crest people



all crest people



all subjects

What is it trying to say? by double entendre & extension?

Concept: inner scene (never stand alone)  
(always predicated)

Inner scene - eye  
- face  
- trout

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If every aspect of the art is iconic

— is exquisitely like —

then the cumulative quality is like-ness (verity, truth)

pass pro toto: a new <sup>generalization</sup> class has been created "verity"  
"Beauty is Truth" - Beauty is verity, truth-ing, <sup>acting</sup> being true

If one thing is being true

· another " " " "

· each " " " "

} the condition of the whole thing  
is "verity"

You look at it with all levels of awareness alive, and if every message is true the overall "verity" is greater

If every part says "true" "true" "true", a generalization of the response is "Truth!!"

Exquisite verisimilitude is not required to identify the icon, and so there can be no thrill of truth there. You can't make an exquisite icon, because that entity is not clearly enough described, and because its natural referent is not itself a beautiful form. How can you make beauty by trying to show a form that is a) not clearly defined b) not beautiful anyway?

There are true forms in nature, but raven is not one of them

If you are using nature as a referent you have to give up the hope of a wholly iconic iconography and settle for an imperfect whole: black whole, beautiful parts.

If you take it for granted that the things of nature are beautiful, that raven is beauty, and show it with Leonardo-like fidelity, idealized, it is a single beautiful act and a single beautiful thing - but does that express

2. Must only needs  
to make a  
generalization

The general beauty of things? You can draw to one

example.  
If you do draw ideal shapes with ideal parts (sense  
reorganization) - the natural truth, the exact part -  
you have to give up your mentalistic to nature.

of course; nature is not beautiful per se -  
it beauty has to be drawn from it, and imposed  
on it. Beauty consists of truth to a higher

level - the comforting assurance that we see  
in small truths; that there is

order, and we can attain to it. The aesthetic  
emotion is recognition, not of a single thing like  
an atom, but of the likeness (unity) of things

Recognition of the subject in the making of an observation  
(truth doesn't see, compare itself to truth)

Recognition of the truth is a comparison of truth,  
you see it, experience it, experience by each part  
has aspect (perhaps reorganization, over and over again)

All recognition of a single fact doesn't give the aesthetic  
truth of truth. Any reorganization is natural. If you see  
there is a truth, the mind can generalize (think a  
generalization): "truth". The eye has to see at least  
2 truths at the same time before it can get the  
single message "truth" - that is the aesthetic truth.

Do not need 2 aspects to make its meanings. It takes two to make a primary class

1.  $sem = subject$  (one thing)
2.  $sem + one\ meaning = a\ statement$   
(sets up a unit: "recognition")
3.  $sem + meaning + meaning$  (2 "recognitions")  
(sets up a unit: "truth" → THIRLL)

1 secondary class + 2 primary classes → VERITY

2 more aspects:  
(polarities)

2 ways of experiencing  
reality, order

<u>Cognitive</u>	:	<u>Experiential</u>
explicit		implicit
perception		intuition
		post primary process

Generalization of primary classes

- does not go:  $line \rightarrow dance \rightarrow conduct \rightarrow cosmic$

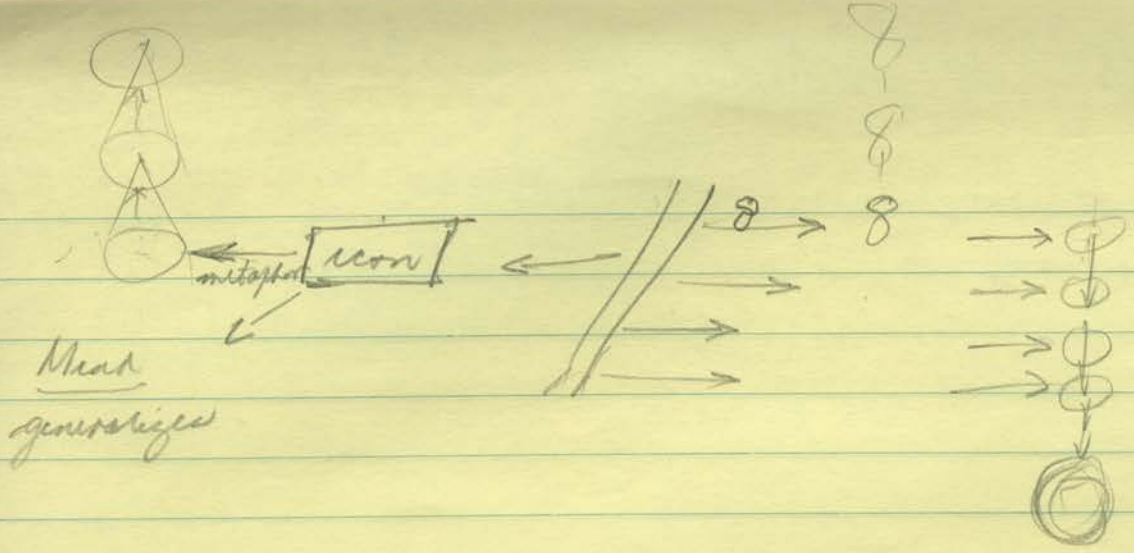
it goes:

A	<u>IS LIKE</u>	→	B	IS LIKE
X	<u>IS LIKE</u>	→	Y	IS LIKE
				↓

THINGS [ARE LIKE]  
THINGS

What is generalized is the quality  
not the subject

is "Order"  
"Perception"



Semography makes only one statement in the art - opens  
 up the floodgates of the mind, set in mode of  
 : subject (not predicate)  
 : secondary classes (ordinary logic)

Science makes many <sup>suggestions</sup> statements  
 puts mind into metaphoric cast of thought  
 (parts): predicates (attributes, relationships)  
 : primary classes, verisimilitude the likeness is visible  
 results : many new metaphors (meanings)  
 : overall verisimilitude → order, verity

There is only one wish: to live: of which all others  
are satellite (to eat, to feel, etc) The closest single  
one is: to see

to recognize, understand, make sense of  
So it is an art of recognition, self recognition

The only time the primal wish becomes patent is at death.  
the old man's last wish

show your will. reverse it. wish to die!

The old man's wish to die is the young man's wish to live  
(in the story)

He had to gamble. He had to take a 50-50 chance

You have to wish, then take a chance

What bridges the gap is expectation

Expect to live and you will live

Trust life

Jump the gap.

Do

Don't just wish, expect

Don't just see, recognize

Don't just wish, will

There is only one tense, the active tense

There is only one way to live, to be alive

Be alive

Be.

Intuition is the wish being wished in you

Dream is the wish

The inner wish

Listen to it (it is your spirit)


Seek it (it is coming through you

meeting in you

recognize it

Let the outer wish recognize itself in the inner wish

nose to nose profiles

'back to back' profiles (dagger handle  ?)

and subsidiary purposes

- create (identity symbols) make social system visible causa cui Symbol of continuity of being
- masks (make supernatural visible)
- beauty of pure form, congruence, craft, order, and symbols of beauty
- utility (good design)
- enrichment, embellishment

ostensible purposes

seeming "

manifest "

explicit "

surface "

legitimizing "

overt "

if

underlying purposes

implicit

covert

"but really more basic"

deeper at a higher level of generality

∴ esoteric, secret

Art is about two things:

1) the first, by virtue of metaphor

2) " second, " " " analogy - its more general conformation

attribute used is "shape" "structure" "conformation"

"morphology"

The ultimate meanings can only be two:

i) metaphor, symbol, of the ultimate human paradoxes (Pacta Sunt Manu) iconographic

ii) analogy, abstract symbol of a conformation, ( $E=MC^2$ ) iconic (Copper)

i) Go for Madonna's Child  
ii) Go for E=MC<sup>2</sup>



The Golden Rule is made the Ultimate Law - <sup>Basic Premise</sup>

Impetus : balance  
: one-ness

"doing it reciprocally to each other"  
"amounts to the same thing as"  
doing it to ones-self

Premise : (in structure) opposites are equal | ↑ is taken for granted  
: (in conduct) self-reciprocal acts express balance

Axenas : 2d : Gongadit chest  
↓  
Copper

: 3d Nose-beak-mouth nose beak play on the NWC <sup>man-beak</sup>  
Reciprocal acts (or double-binds) <sup>Ben Mitchell</sup>  
<sup>Tortured</sup>  
Complex mediations : spoon, frontal pole

Ubiquitous : rock - all paradoxes implicit  
Implications : sun - the eye of Seeing  
"Is nothing secret?"

Art is about Meaning

Meaning is about relationships

Relationships are about Sameness and Difference

" " " " equivalents & opposites

The sub-relationships are balance

Balance is - structural equal-ness } expressly  
- reciprocal acts

Balance is uprightness } implicitly

Art is the "expressed choice" expressed preference

the ultimate preference is right-side-upness

up-striving (concise upward)

g omnipotent Self  
- Freudian infant?  
Dereal of death?

- equations of eat-fuck-kill?

} i.e. Human-combination  
universe?   
symbol  
imagination  
with  
repression

Do I have organizing principles for Harada art?

- species of balance? (kinds of equations)

fractal symmetry  
balance-scale

(Foot)  
self-opposite

matched pair  
Perfect opposite (frog)?

- type-paradigms?

types and paradigms

opposites-in-balance

inside-outside

all-three

two-in-one (Shark?)

honey spoon bowl circle

dagger soulcatcher cane rattle

ambulant Chelkat Jaws Cocobhat

implied other half

four-square

double-bind (horizontal catch)

- primary objects?  
Kubler relations

Copper

Raven rattle

soulcatcher

Gomazadit

"Hawk"

- Controlling images?

mask & mirror

lingam & yoni

eye

circle

nose-beak-mouth

Staff-beak-mouth

- reciprocal acts?

self-act: giving

grasper-grasped

seen-seen (mask & mirror)

eater-eaten <sup>self-eating bird hawk</sup>

fucker-fucked

inter-transforming (Raven-creating)

container-contained

Killer-killed

- basic characters?

Raven → "Hawk"

Raven

Man → "Frog"

Man

> Hawk, Frog, Bear

Bear Killer/Whale

Whale

- two avenues of approach: mask & crest

halant  
crest

④ a maneuver of semantic reversal

- the double twist
- self-copulation
- the Edenshaw solution

③ condensed to: an incorporation of opposites

- individuum
- mask (face-bird)
- frog
- soul catcher

② further condensed to: pure armature

- whatnot
- copper

① furthest condensed to

- pure circle (universe)
- formal segment (atom)

These are its structure, now what is its content?

- Powerful, anxiety-generating, taboo subjects
- the 'unresolvable contradictions' of myth, the basic problems,
- birth sex death in images deriving from human bodyself

## Notes from Martine

Piaget: structure 3 key ideas: the idea of wholeness  
· · · transformation  
· · · self-regulation

Structure: the law of organization of the system  
particular types of relationships which articulate  
the unit of a certain level, inside a system

↳ "social structure" is a model, which

- has several elements, none of which can undergo change without effecting changes in all the others
- has possibility of ordering a series of transformations resulting in a group of models of the same type
- predict how the model will react if one or more of its elements are submitted to modification

"structure" is real, without being directly observable

"form" is the structure of the structure

"armature" is a set of properties which remain invariable

- a partial structure

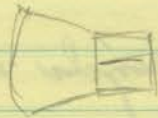
(a set of oppositions)

Model: a symbolic system, built from an empirical reality.

$$\frac{e}{m} = c \times c$$

opposite = ultimate

$$\left( \frac{e}{m} \right) = c^2$$



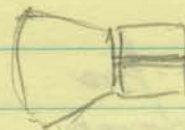
$$\frac{e}{m} = c^2$$

$$\frac{e^2}{m^2} = (c^2)^2$$

$$\left( \frac{e}{m} \right) \times \left( \frac{e}{m} \right) = c^2 \times c^2$$



now transpose message :



The most real meanings of the art were its secret agendas. The greatest artists knew what the taboos subjects were, and knew the tricks of structure. What they were trying to figure out were the limitations of the medium, and of thought.

The most real meanings were the questions being asked about the secret agendas. These took the form of new hypotheses, new solutions, new formulations like  $E=mc^2$  which are really new myths. Einstein's  $E=mc^2$  and Edershow's 4:4 are the same myth, in different terms. Each creates an impossible premise (I can change matter into energy. I can draw a line upon steel), then goes on to show its consequences (I square the ultimate. I split the ultimate).

The most general hypotheses of systems of thought are myths (By Bang,  $E=mc^2$ , The World is as Sharp as a Knife). A myth is a logical illusion, in <sup>linear</sup> narrative form. Art deals with logical illusions in presentational form.

Levi-Strauss has focused in on the essential transformations in both:

in myth, the double-twist  $f^{-1}(y)$

in art, the inversion of message and form

frontlet : raven rattle :: Dyonogwa : Sexwairwe

Does the frontlet stand in the same relationship to the raven rattle as Dyonogwa to Sexwairwe? Is it not a formal inversion which retains the same message? The formal inversion is from ♂ to ♀, <sup>propellor</sup> to <sup>frontlet</sup>. The message is changed from insemination to birth, but that is not really a change because it refers to the same act of Raven's self-generation. The emphasis changes from brood to human.

Frontlet and Raven Rattle are patently in the same semantic field

Are Raven & Grizzly the poles of the Haida semantic universe, formally speaking? Is Frog the equal-sign?

What does it mean: in the same semantic field?

It does not have to be another mask, it could be rattle - headdress.

The semantic field can also jump media: from myth to ritual (Susan Reid), myth to art (Crossed-Beak).

The most general <sup>hypotheses</sup> equations consist in those which join the ultimate poles of the semantic universe (big bang and black hole), e and m: opposites by implication or definition).



Art seems to want to dwell at the 'semantic maneuver' stage; eg. the exwarwe mask is already a double twist (birds on a humanface groundplan), or others on a humanface groundplan)

Art seems to want to make more and more condensed symbols. These seem the equivalents of more and more basic premises or equations. These are sign-equations.

The images are constructed of metasigns, which may also be symbols, but are standing in diagrammatic relationships in order to convey meaning or structure.

Mythical time is both reversible and non-reversible,  
synchronous and diachronic, at the same time.

This is a condensation, of a kind familiar  
in the art. We should be able to find a model  
of it, and see its consequences.

And myth gives the structure of an answer to a  
contradiction (as art does). It says: let there  
be a logical reversal (part-whole), and let  
<sup>parably</sup> metaphor exist.

The most fundamental question of all is: what is  
metaphor? (likeness). The most fundamental answer  
man can give is: let metaphor exist, and I'll  
show you the consequences -  
it is paired with reversal

The Edenchaw solution produces one twin

(It is a "square root" solution rather than  
a  $C^2$  solution)

The answer is time. L-S put her finger on it  
in defining mythical time, and saying that its  
nature is unaccounted for. By condensing time  
into two times at once, myth can create the  
semblance of a solution. The cost is that it is  
fiction. Fiction is time-free truth.



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## Generic Iconography

Dish designs? (like music)

The Individuum - a generic human (the prototype?)

Panel pipe scenes and acts

- 1) They have to be non-specific  
∴ not one thing or the other.

Art has secret agendas (like "Painted Word")  
so maybe I have discovered a major NWC one

hence =

- frog-bear paw

## Methods

- blend
- portmanteau
- etic not emic "sort of thing"
- metaphoric?
- individuum face

## Alternatives

- Literal-metaphoric mutual reciprocal act  
(raven and human join tongues)

- The Edenshaw Solution

part line, part form, part field is half  
half

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You can do generic iconography only by having  
literal subjects

Art explores relationships

Each image as a system:

one and other, linked by the double twist

part " whole

subject: <sup>erect</sup> predicate

blends

composites, portmanteaus

generic, sort-of-things

twins

everything [bear-frog-human - ∴ Raven]

Art has separate conventions (agendas), which get caught up and held in the 'style', and never really lost.

formline

ovoid, salmon trout head

individuum

the double-twist

(joined) tongue

Art gets closer and closer to really basic problems

what is metaphor?

what does 'twin' mean?

" opposite "

Art turns the problem around. ('sharing the patent one-ness of the same piece of stone') Let this equation exist, and here are the conditions.

if you want one thing to be both things, it can only be that way half-literally and half-metaphorically. you can have it both ways if you can be content with half

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Transformations within the same semantic field

eg x<sup>w</sup>ex<sup>w</sup>e - dzomogua

seven - bear

seven - frog

⑦

Reciprocity: twin subjects, reciprocal acts  
(reciprocal)  
opposite

I am my own grandfather

I am both my grandfathers

One is two

I am father of both my father and my mother (their other half)

I am half from father, half from mother

Inside me is the other half of my son and daughter

I am two

I am kinstents

Copper says: "This one is two", showing both its outside and its inside at the same time, which is impossible, so invisible. But a 'copy' of it isn't.

A mouth that can eat all other mouths

That is what MM's mouth is doing. At the same time it is the other mouths, and is eating the other mouths.

Raven screen MM  $2 \rightarrow 4$  (a piece of 2 + a piece of 4) creates the third mouth that eats all other mouths  $1 \times 2$ .



1. Arresture = (the meaning in the structure) of imaging

(meaning as relationship)

all related to verb "is" :-

- is equal to
- is opposite of
- is reciprocal to
- are triadic  $a$  is to  $b$  given  $c$

bilateral  $\leftrightarrow$   
equivalent  $\downarrow$

reciprocal part-whole  
part that is a whole  
" " " greater than whole  
part of many wholes

- are reciprocal (equal)

" " " (part-whole)

- part of many wholes

- are quaternary  $a$  is to  $b$  as to  $c$  is to  $d$

-  $a : b :: c : d$

part = part (nose-mouth)

2. Symbol = (the meaning in the content)

(meaning as subject, and its implications)

all related to human body-self

- hands
- sex
- eyes
- face
- individuum

or to metaphors : animal create

: myth characters

: sport figures

and to acts (symbolic acts)

- eating
- sex
- grasping
- carrying



# The Logic of Images

## 1. Images are systems

(can) have both content & structure

two systems of arbitrary meaning

## 2. Subjects: things and acts, literal and metaphoric

- metaphors

- body parts

- eating

## 3. Arrangements

### a) in general (ornaments)

equivalence

opposite

reciprocal

transitive

### b) in particulars (paradigms)

## Generalizations:

- subjects express deep symbols

- ornaments all relationships

what you admire in virtuous performances

# Severaux.

If it didn't have meaning, it would descend to  
being meaningless decoration

It is about something universal: ?     archetypal?  
" " " "     cultural = style  
" " " "     personal = crest

Art expresses what is normally repressed

Helm deals with style. (beauty, the look, the alibi, the  
standards of the society, that which is common to the  
best art, a "grammar and rhetoric of circumlocutions.")

I deal with the laborer utterance, the upsetting truth, the  
repressed wish, "objectionable public confession"

above and beyond style

the core of the fruit

new solutions become embedded in the style  
and retain secret meanings for a while

hidden <sup>content</sup> meaning

structure  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{armature} \\ \text{style} \end{array} \right.$

style

manifest content

Art has a hidden agenda (Derrida)  
to express what is normally repressed  
to deal with human universals

Art has a style to conform to  
an alibi, a bribe to the public, a momentum

Conventions are part of the style  
but each was an innovation at one point  
their hidden meaning gets lost in time

Innovation is convention-breaking  
taboo-breaking

What are the directions of innovations?

- a) to express a taboo (Derrida) iconoclastic
- b) to manipulate an armature  
break a convention mathematic
- c) to go further than before
- d) to express a meaningful statement (mimesis)

Art has conventions of symbolism; manifest (concrete, etc)  
covert (hidden meanings)

Art has structure, structures, armatures

The deeper meanings of art  
"the structure" "

Imaging, its structure & logic

The individuum, one of the universal problems of art  
shall be male and mother & child at the same time,  
with the sexual characteristics prominently, blatantly, portrayed

(What we have been able to say about meaning so far) is frustrating,  
because we don't seem able to link this art with great universals  
of art or general theories (Devereux)

Art is one of the forms of discourse, Art is for thinking  
Maybe Kallias did more of this communal thinking in ritual  
An active area of discourse

How art does have those deeper meanings

It is a language of images, and shows clearly the restraints and  
logic of images.

How art is a great and universal art; archetypal

Style ; is manner  
; and conventions } is distortion

from past innovations, which have become incorporated  
(yesterday's innovations is today's convention)

# Linguistic Session

Haas - H. Hale - haskwa

- large numbers of consonants 30-50
- complexity of stops (3 series of stops)
- laterals
- glottalized sonorants

h

k

t

ʔ

s l n

m w

Kincaid - share a lot more than phonological features

Kincaid - Salishan

23

16 on NWC

7 Platian

4 divs +  
indecisive bc  
-fill

Bellefleur most remote

Halkomelem central

Protosalish: Fraser Delta homeland

Tillamook latest split, down coast

Moran abandoned. Salish not related to anything  
except maybe Kootenay

Pintlatch & Tillamook extinct

Wakachan (Jedrejens)

homeland within present territory  
vocabulary rich on sea resources, pole puberty, pot latch  
a toat chased by Shuway - Kwak

2 branches: North South

Kwakwaka'wan Nootkan

29c seems plausible (Swadesh)

External: thought to be Mozan

Wak-Chem closer than Wak-Salishan

Northern: Lath 1974 Kwak

Heiltsuk

Kwakiwilt

Kitimat

Bella Coola borrowed much from Wakachan

Southern: 3 languages Nootka

Natamat

Makah a separate lang. 1000 yrs

Relationships between Nootka & Chemokwan

Peovutian (Dunn for Silverstein)

includes Tsimshian

Tsimshian

Nass-Cutkwan

Chinook gargon as post-contact

Chinookan moved upriver



Athapaskan (Kolla)

Far Coast most close to Taaltan - Kaska,

not Chilkat or Carrier

• not close to Apachean

Historical:

They are coastal people. Also came to salmon rivers

One group through Oregon to Columbia, then spread from there. Then settled in

Tsimshian - Dunn

Reilly distinguished the 2. Kaskwikan

Coast Tsimshian

Nass Basin

SKUXS a Klontan - Hastley Bay

SKUX "the language of those living here"

an undescribed variant of Tsimshian

3 mutually unintelligible languages

Kootenay Lawrence Morgan VBC

genetically related to Salish

Haida - Levine

Kadé? Haida in limbo

Swanton was faulty. Nymee misinterpreted Swanton

The argument is faulty

Meaning - the ideas associated with form

Donchian - the iconography

experience - what it represents and what it <sup>also</sup> means metaphorically

AUB - 1944

The H. Central Council

the solidarity for being abandoned in a

20 million population

radical subordination

the age of reconstruction in 1945

Jan. 1945

Point de vue

Point de vue

Point de vue

voluntary associations

this is what the old people carried

Revolving doors (not the possibility)

individual autonomy

for autonomy

individuality

symbolic resolution of tension

Drucker:

experience in meeting with top echelon bureaucrats

ANB → AFN

TL-H Central Council

ethnic solidarity from being shareholders in a  
\$20 million corporation

no longer subordinate

the age of acculturation is over

Sam Amoss

Spent dancing

Shaker church

churches

voluntary associations

this is what the old people carried

Socializing deviants (and its possibility)

individual autonomy

kin solidarity

inequality

symbolic resolution of strains

Carol Eastman

language as a 'precious heritage of group culture'  
instilling a sense of group culture (not for communication)  
language reintroduction, as culture rather than  
communication

given literacy in English, ---

both reorientation and revival

grandmother tongue

Step 1 - orthography

2. literacy with the orthography

3. develop (a literature)  
cultural materials

NITEP

What are linguists for? a form of language planning  
determined

grammar in the form of lesson planning

Indians in the Urban Context Karen Hansen

Why urban orthodoxy is so late in coming  
migration is no new phenomenon

first migration following WW 2.

Explanatory foci:

acculturation (anth)

assimilation (sociology)

↓  
a changed Indianness

(a false analogy)

a false dichotomy between recess. & City  
strategies of ethnic group maintenance

Mosqueam - B. Wrightman

strategies for survival  
economic & social

1972

individuals have not - - but the hardship has  
real estate, houses, by house

Ken ties Ken into tightness

social life has changed the least

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75 non mag on reserve

their preferred way of life

DeWorst power words

Tollefson -

urbanization as a cause of tribalism

Haida Totems on Red-Cod Island

~~Place~~ ~~Totem~~ The ruins of the old village... <sup>only remain</sup> most remains of the village on the Queen Charlotte Sound

~~Place~~ the island and site

~~Early history~~ ~~Loyak~~  
~~Kingstons~~

~~Abandonment~~

~~Totem removal~~ → Prince Rupert 5 1939

~~Totem salvage~~ ← <sup>UBC</sup> <sub>PM</sub> 1957

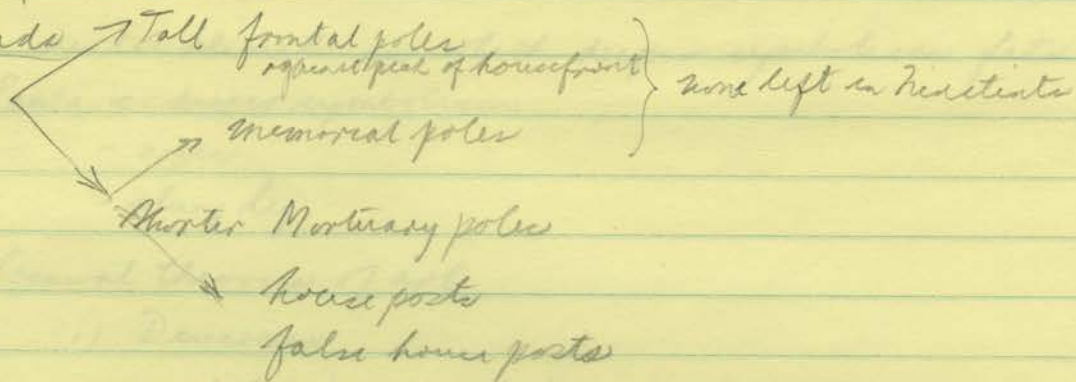
~~Totem preservation~~ 1975

~~Totem poles~~

~~Abandonment~~  
~~removal of totems~~  
~~complex intertwining of totems and other figures~~

Haida Totem poles

a Kinds



b Figures

Raven Bear Beaver Dogfish Hawk Frog  
Whale Human

c Meanings

Crests of families Crest pole

Characters from myth  
story poles

Style: clean lines, smooth curves, big eyes and heads

Unexplained:

- mixture of crests
- complex intertwining of major and minor figures

Create a mental climate in which deeper symbolism fits

a) Pieta's deeper symbolism

- ages
- slung leg

b) General theories of art

1) Devescax

art expresses what is normally repressed

2) Panofsky: pre-iconographic

iconographic

iconological



## Daily schedule

Don't waste mornings } part of the regime, like not drinking  
Get up at 8

Go to bed earlier } start ritual earlier  
Learn to sleep earlier } no sleep after dinner  
awake by walking

do you need less than 8 hours sleep?

Evenings : Read useful books 301, 540,  
TV

Bed : read recreational books

Margie  
Diane  
Martine

## Symbolism

You have been deep into deep symbolism and the language of imaging

- define the unit: the image

- its content: symbolism - lateral  
- metaphoric

its deeper content is sacred (Devereux)

a source of deep symbols is the human body - self  
(Thers-Thurmermann)

- its structure: somatized

bilateral (horizontal) reciprocal (vertical)  
tonic

- paradigms

Imaging as an autonomous language of thought

The Copper as Diagram

" " " abstract symbolism



two symbols come together

T tau and 

The copper as two symbols

- evidence for Hall's use of Tau (Deane)

Two symbols that mean the same thing

A new symbol that incorporates and explains the old (tau)

Square on the hypotenuse equals sum of squares of other 2 sides



Golden Mean



a crest is also a kind of mask  
 crest is general, face is particular  
 (mask is particular)

When face is left uncovered, it says 'he is one of those'  
 ' . . . covered, . . . 'he is that thing'



2 become one  
 name

identity

identity

'as'

character

image



frontlet  
 one become two

class one of a class

metaphor

provides an  
 alternative

'like'

category

concept

frontlets don't give names (they save names)

It is Wild Tactant

Mountain is (like) wi-la's

a more general principle than just a crest  
 (a chiefdom crest, supercrest, crown)  
 a renewal of lawin?

some principle higher than crest (Kinship)  
 is it 'worth'? expressed in general  
 northern terms (am halait) 'power'?

I shed light. I give lawin with power. I am Raven  
 I am creation. I am eternity-maker

? I am SUN? Sun-moon. The great light

? I am FIRE? burner of wood (beaver) transformer to food?

? I am LIFE? my mo & my fa & Raven

Each a new solution to the same problem  
 quartz crystal power - renewal of the sun?

names: — laicha - the Sky, Power of the Sky  
 Heavens

Laicha  
 fertility  
 salmon

Thass-Thurnemann I

1. The basic symbols are body symbols  
They are taboos ∴ repressed

Thass-Thurnemann II

2. The prime anxiety-producers are birth, sex, death  
They are taboos ∴ repressed

Body parts

3. What body parts are associated with sex  
birth and death?

- Genitals
- Breasts

Substitutions

4. What <sup>human</sup> body parts, not <sup>completely</sup> tabooed in art, are available  
for substitution (transference?)

- Face
- Eye
- Hand
- Whole body (individuum)
- The whole is the part (David) (SHFB)

What acts are taboo?  
expulsion, excretion  
birth, death

5. What body acts, not tabooed in art, are available  
for substitution (for orgasm, birth, death, sex)?

- Eating, spitting
- forming tongues

toxic  
substitutions?

6. What animals may substitute for parts?

- "beak" (= bird)
- "mouth" (= whale, seal, octopus)
- w.d. (gorilla, bear both)
- frog (= opposite both)

What kind of 'past' does the whole individual have?  
What kind of genital does the individual have?

Art works on a gender of its own:

- 1) The Painted Word
- 2) The Swing-leg motif
- 3) Japanese sleeves on Dosojon sculptures.

euphemisms (romantic) erotic	or technical problems (technical)
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Thaes - Thiesemann

v. 1. Symbolism of the Body

2-17 in language the known body as the primary reality  
p103.

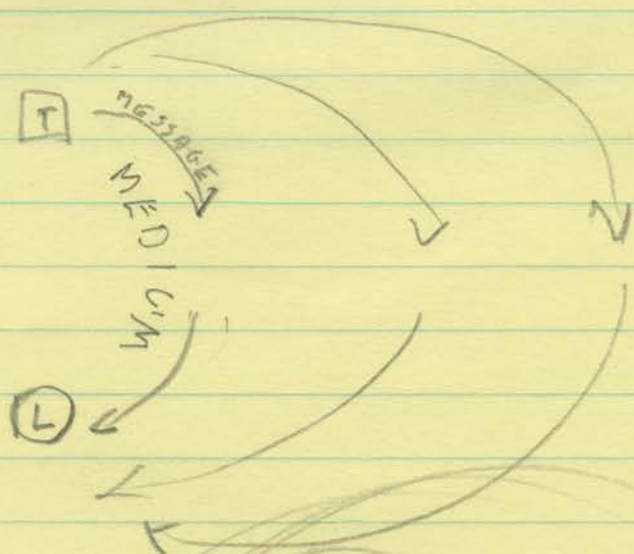
v. 2 p11 Anxiety: birth, sex, and death

p41 The primary reality object is the breast of the mother

p38 Terrible Mother (mouth with teeth)

∴ Art: basic symbolism is body  
basic utterances are about birth-sex-death  
'Alibi' is like the linguistic process of replacement  
and the artistic process of metaphor  
Art = language

Is Truano not about the body, birth, sex, and death?



'Implicitly' means both

- metaphorically  
it is about me!

- analogically  
it is about ambiguity

Ostensibly?

the whole thing's 50-50 any way you look at it



mäčimos

Matjemosh

shave hair = shame  
head = grief

hand shell knife for sharpening digging stick

... the two ways of it

re-creating the original act of creation

they were very close to Fumupetch when  
they were carving

You have to kill to secure the continuity of the universe  
of which you are the centre

You have to kill, to secure the continuity of the universe  
of which you are the centre



## Next Book

{ Raven Rescues  
AE Box (and predecessors)  
Kineta Frog Mortar  
CE Comport  
CE Chest PM  
AE Chest, with MM  
Copper

} Nothing Connectedly in Pieces

Is there a thing a piece is worth of Raven Chief?

Scene - creation myth and

Box - light box myths and creation myth

Frog mortar - old frog-human seal relationships

CE Comport - Creation myth

CHEST


CE Gravestone

### Three bites

himself (i.e. his phallus)

time

light

Woman's "hunger" as Raven's voraciousness (the tip of R's beak)  
she's mouth as the tip of R's beak (on bracelet 

Raven's hunger = man's sexuality

Raven's hunger = woman's sexuality

tip of Raven's beak = Capacity of whale's mouth  
Bear's mouth  
Shark's mouth

Raven's voraciousness = Woman's sexual hunger

That Raven is trying to eat me!

THIS IS  
RAVEN'S  
FOURTH  
BIRTHDAY !

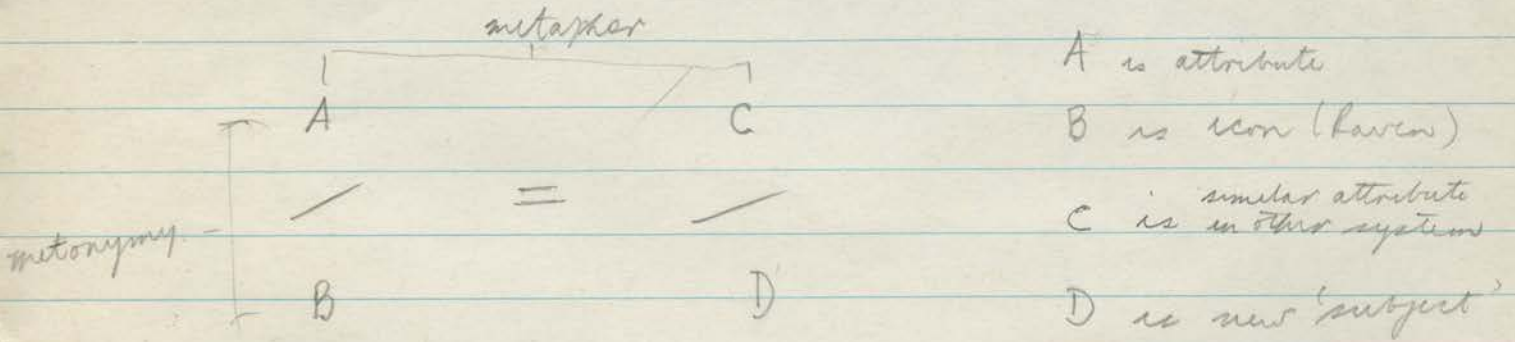
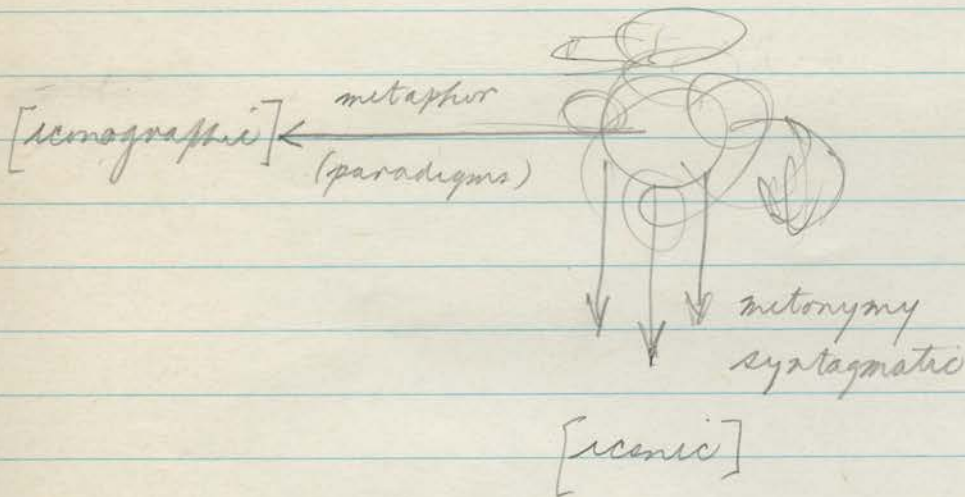
Her rage, this generation, is  
my rage to come through, next generation

What is metaphor? what makes it stick?

i.e. How can 2 things be 1 thing at the same time?

What does the equal sign mean?

metonymy - syntagmatic - (iconic)  
 metaphor - paradigmatic - (iconographic)

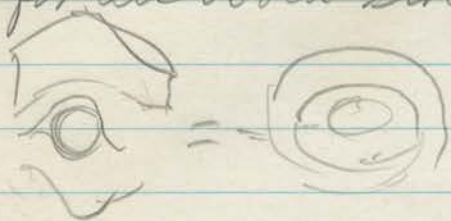


My "predicates" are like Ellis' "metonymies"

"a metonymic addition to both the signifier and the signified"



The big eye and big brow above provides the prototype for all ovoid structures



The "striving upward" of ovoids is the same as what eyes do.

It is as though painted formalness are metaphorical plans of the layout of sculpture  
force diagrams } "the essence of --"  
metaphorical blueprints

Now the 2-3 d. interplay takes new significance.

Look again at amulets } which use both types  
disks

So: are painting "metaphorical sculpture"?

" " a step removed more metaphorical?

a striving to generalize the meaning  
one step further?

If painting is metaphorical (i.e. generalized) sculpture, one level of space dimension (3d to 2d) has been dropped to gain one level of generalization

The 'conflict' between 2d & 3d becomes analogous to the other binary conflicts (specific - metaphoric, syntax - paradigm, etc)

Salmon trout head is a generalized plan for the proportions of faces. It is in fact a generalized face, always

Can't have metaphorical sculpture?

including the invariant eyes, <sup>cheeks</sup> eyebrows (which occur  
even on birds - or - which attests to the  
fundamentally human meaning of all these figures).  
It leaves the variant features (nose-beak,  
mouth-teeth-tongue unspecified; also ear)

So: iconic design includes not only  
"meanings embarking from the multitude of attributes"  
but also conscious efforts to generalize at this  
level. [Iconic iconography]

Iconics as generalized iconography?

Kanda paintings are of the specific and the general  
at the same time (the "iconography" *per se* carrying  
the specific, the "iconics" carrying the general)

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The eye socket of a skull is an ovoid  
(as is the shoulder & hip joint)

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24 June

## Harda painting

The idea that painted design is <sup>metaphoric</sup> generic abstracted  
generalized

- main point: word structures w. sth are generic faces
- all 'animals' have 'ears' on top [a 'generic' feature carried into specific depictions]
- all have "face at other end" - mouth face

Is chest 'torso' figure the 'alter ego' of such totem figures?

Everything centres on eye in word

## Iconographic notes

1 Human-like face with animal characteristics added

→ basic "human" face  
→ basic "animal" face  
+ "bear" features

Simply: "with human eyes and eyebrows"

ears on top → animal nature

... round nostrils, wide upturned mouth and protruding tongue turned the basic animal design into the bear figure; and the paws raised up to the chest as a bear holds them when he rears up to investigate, completed the identity.

incl.  
posture

2 Primary-secondary distinction is maintained on poles  
(not on panel pieces?)

secondary things not mainly crests, but (adjectives)  
modifiers, specifiers,

Is there a parallelism between flat design and sculpture, both having primary-secondary arrangements (the one, iconic, the other iconographic)

14 June

Underlying level has to have precision so that next level can have <sup>meaning</sup>

- "literal level in myths
- "Syntactic" level of W panel paper
- "line" of Harada art

Next (predicate) level uses this precision to depart from:

- in myths, the 'contrary' features or acts which convey myths-meaning (burn wet wood, become bear, etc)
  - in W panel paper - the behavior of the men which has to be precise because it is nonsense
  - in Harada art, the "manners" of the line, which are endowed with added meaning
- "MANNERS" - self-conscious patterned conduct endowed with meaning.

Question: is it empty mannerisms or mannerisms with meaning?

predicable n. Logic. One of five general attributes of a class, genus, species, property, difference, and accident, designating the peculiar relation that a predicate bears to its subject, regardless of the quantity or quality of a proposition.

predicate n. Gram. That part of a sentence or clause that expresses something about the subject. It regularly consists of a verb and may include objects, modifiers or complements of the verb.

Logic. Whatever is stated about the subject of a proposition.

noun n. A word used to denote or name a person, place, thing, quality, or act.

verb that part of speech that expresses existence action or occurrence.

adverb - modifies a verb, adjective, or other adverb.

adjective - " " nouns or other substantives by limiting, qualifying, or specifying.

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# Haida Crest Correspondences

## RAVEN

## EAGLE

<u>Land</u>	Bronzy bear Black bear Wolf	Beaver Frog
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<u>Sea</u>	Killer whale - <sup>adult</sup> Laven-fins [as special KWH] Sea lion  Sea-bronzy Temaous - mag. BEAR + Stick of Shewan	Whale 5 finned K whale Dogfish Sculpin Halibut Slate Starfish Woods
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<u>Air</u>	Thunderbird } same Hawk } Moon Horned owl Flicker  Rainbow Moon	Eagle - adult [Raven] Cormorant Blue Hawk Heron Humming Bird  Dragon fly
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Memorials may have seats opposite those of house  
before which they stand. Are they... of  
waves, some, ?

Also "horizontal memorials"  
Also E necessary in front of R house

2 anterior horizontal belong to wife

16 June

Stories on poles: What rules over use?

- Bear Mother: used by people who had GB crest?  
: : : : did not? of Eagle?  
did man (or wife) not have rank enough  
for real crest?

- ♀ shaman - who used it?

### Swanton's models

- p125 Si'ngi story from RAVEN cycle, used by EAGLE chiefs -  
of Sitkum of Tows
- p125 Djilagons with frog hat & cane - mixed w. Eagle crest (CE model)
- p125 Raven story: Yeltatziapoh R19c. Note: this were Beaver as  
a story character, not as a crest.
- p125-6 AE's Myth House E21 for 'son' R19: [Here crest rules are disregarded  
on strength of myth being located at Kwickwan, an E21 town,  
but it becomes sū s'ān, not real Wacks, and "Bird in the Air"  
- is this alibi-ing?] Raven myth on front corner posts.

Raven stories: beaver lodge  
: fishermen, both habitat & broken beak

Bear, Empty Bear, Sea-Bringing on House prices

1. on Koto - all on RAVEN - Eyle clean his no bear like create

very much mark

Bear - several upright (only price)  
- cuts away in on all lower

Sea-Bear - name bear for Bear & Killers like, both complete

1. on Asterisk

a) Bear Mother - girl who married the Bear

identifying by cuts or children

company for away?

b) Koto - man who married the bear woman

identifying by cuts? cuts? meaning father bear apart?

3. Visual relationships

a) Eating man -

They kill people on mountains

- man bring things to give by giving bear wife

- or was common, with a man in the mouth

b) Holding cuts - Bear Mother

- GB money in lower of frog

c) Cuts - Antler, King Antler in front, Antler, Antler, Antler  
(cut marks)



Haida - own lineage made house  
- " " " could carve pole

[no rule against man carving own pole ??]

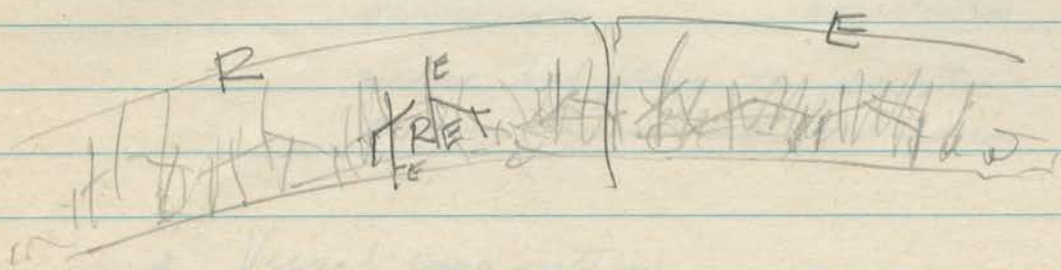
father - wife - son same lineage (opposite society)  
mother - bro - sis - nephews - own lineage & society

"Fathers" get & carve xat

"Own people" " " giagan

It is as though the house is being made for the children

The iconography of a Haida village  
The Haida village as a splash of iconography



Not well organized, like Tsimshian, by rank & priority  
A tendency for chief to be in middle of village, but  
since there is no restriction, can't "step" houses out.

R houses tend to cluster, and E's houses, but  
no joint emblem to label cluster.

Most of the xat in front of the R section will be R crests,  
but there will also be some E ones for dead wives, children

The giagan have mixed crests - most in sum would be R.  
Some would be stories (giagi)

Segments of  
village



Tamilnadu paper - are all Xat (numericals)  
 - have no 'shorts' like Karan  
 - show only circle [and straight]  
 - only of circle lengths

4. Visual comparison  
 paper - answer alternation

3. Secondary figures  
 operators  
 answer long - long on circle  
 common elements like brackets  
 adjustments  
 (but not in same sense as Tamilnadu) atotalogy

1. Primary figures are necessary figures  
 2. Primary figures have  
 - no fixed order, no fixed number  
 but enough to fill page  
 (in absence of necessary)  
 Actually:

Have to know paper  
 Xat has only circle  
 again has circle and straight  
 circle of both lengths  
 there can be any no figures that look like  
 circle of opposite class  
 also know paper

Tsimshian never put 'stories' (Raven, cycle) on poles  
did put waxwax on poles  
ie: crests and waxwax - both 'owned'.

Hardy never put waxwax on poles (neither did  
Kwakwaka'wakw) but did put on 'stories' each, Ravens.

## Solutions:

- 1) AE box: analysis of the formline (formspace, form)  
on the 4:4 box plan!
- 2) Ovoid analysis: dishes
- 3) Sense analysis: panel pipes  
can't be sense and nonsense at the same time
- 4) Creation analysis: raven rattle  
: frontlet
- 5) The Copper Solution: the lifting out of the copper  
from Gonagadet, as the essential armature of  
trinity relationships
- 6) The Ovoid invention & Salmon Trout invention

## Evolution of formline and formspace

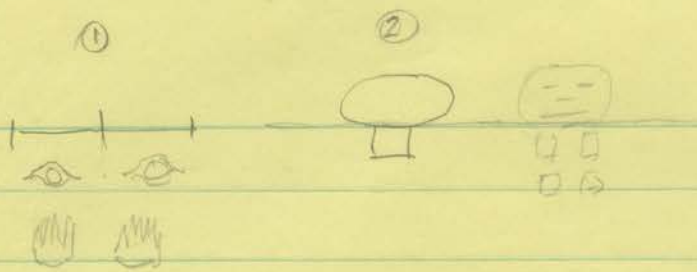
hypothesize that they came out of a system of painting like Nootka, with areas of color and with black outside, red inside.

What came out was formlines outlining inner fields and formspaces. The formspaces were background color. The red inner areas became secondary formlines.

Carving became the explicit way of expressing the urge to create formspace, and the first carved formspaces were the ovoids. Space carving. Inner space carving.

Can Old Wakashan painting serve as a base for northern graphics?

Given the invention of ovoid in ovoid formspace, the careful vertical asymmetry, the formline was a necessary result. Or could the formline have developed before the ovoid, out of brush action, sketching the ovoid in outlining circular fields?



Relation ① is bilateral symmetry. Its prototype is the two halves of the body, <sup>or 2 people of the face</sup> It is a relation of halves, twins, equal parts. It is the axis of metaphor, similitude, substitution.

Relation ② is the opposite. Its prototype is head-body division. It is a relation of part-and-whole (head-body, phallus-body, mouth-mouth). It is the axis of metonymy, contiguity, concatenation.

Operationalized by:

- ① let 2 halves be formally alike, conceptually opposite
- ② . . . . . formally different, . . . . . equivalent



MM is the proof of copper

The "geometry" of a totemic people.

- borrow images from nature

- create ideographs

- flat design (2 d)

- whole (image - maybe even reduce it's meaning)

- parts (→ segments)

down to smallest iconographic part (missing thumb)

perfection in part - new

punning (secondary iconography)

- parts (elements) which can take on iconic meaning

formline sequence

line → form → field

- Whole-part relationships become:

formline - form-space relationships

equivalence: bilateral symmetry

formline - form-space (in ovoid segments)

black-red (in 4:4)

inside-outside

missing part - whole design

Ambiguity (riddling)

Overlap - (multiple meanings)

Riddle - (ambiguous meaning: Bear Mother)  
(The World is as Sharp as a Knife)

Art becomes a medium to explore the great messages

Art enters a dialectic with thought, and ends up  
deconstructing thought

## Art and Myth

- 1) art can "illustrate" (iconographically) myth
- 2) art can deal with the same problems that myth is dealing with  
or "draw a diagram" for understanding the myth  
or be a structural analysis of myth



Those are the questions, so what are the Harada answers?

1. Supreme precision (says you can draw predicates)  
of line (= behavior)  
of placement, relationships (= relations)
2. Analysis of cosmic form: the ovoid principle  
Egg and Universe
3. Generic form and behavior
  - a) inner = salmon trout in shell
  - b) outer = chest
4. Eberckow's attempt to draw predicates: BOX.

Big face smaller as you go down, up

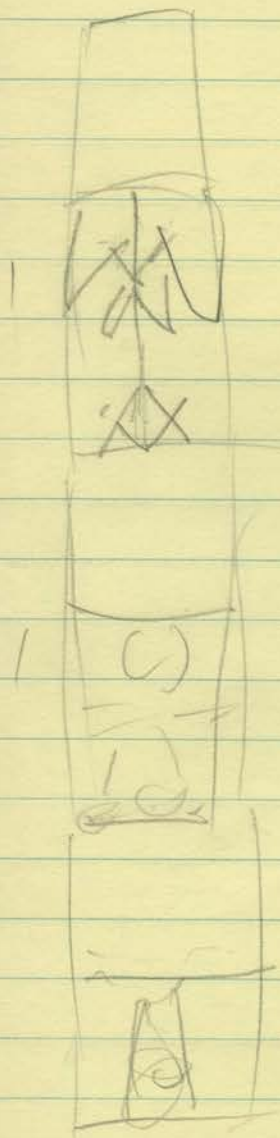
∴ more room for body parts and more complex as you go up.

is face length = semidiam at that point ?

Lower brow turns down, pulling down eye corners in frown

Bees Mother's brow is flat, but eye level, looking happier.

frog is tongue ?



Partial Deposition

Al Tenario - thesis on N.W.C. sex symbols

<sup>Alfred</sup>  
under <sup>Alfred</sup> ~~Alfred~~ don't have to be complete depictions.  
There is no law saying that all parts must  
be shown

Male sculpture, which defines the field more

Cf. *Portrait of a Man* (Pl. 96 *Harvard*) with

*Book of the City of Dreadful Night* [P. 1] p. 203

*Organization in art*

## Partial Depictions

Paintings don't have to be complete depictions.

There is no law saying that all parts must be shown

Unlike sculpture, which defines the field more

Cf. Parrot was sketched (Pl 96 Hamlyn) with

Duck-toothed pole of Kuckwan TP 1 p 303

Organization is alike

The background of the lower corners has of course  
the obvious falls away

it gets itself completely mixed in with the background

Analogy between the art and conditions of human life  
in the natural world

content of line - shape in a knife

no fixed forms, great contending forces

the void

the shape of the world

to the social world

General justification for assuming the art is saying more things:

1. Analogy with Ferringer's Cathedral  
(Boas asked wrong questions)
2. Analogy with Tlingit myth and oratory  
(presence of a metaphorical habit of thought)
3. Presence, in the style, of patterned regularities which have no other explanation in iconography or history
4. The bankruptcy of the Boas-Emmons line of enquiry  
its relevance falls away  
it gets itself hopelessly mixed in its own misconceptions
5. Analogies between the art and conditions of Harda life
  - a. In the natural world
    - control of line - "sharp as a knife"
    - no fixed forms, just contending forces  
the ovoid
    - the shape of the world
  - b. In the social world

## Settings

'Innovations' - the 'rule-breaking' is done with the first stroke - in the first-made part of the design - the primary formline, which sets the conditions for all that follows. He 'starts with a new premise', and explores its implications.

(heavy black)  
What if I don't look after my normal responsibilities, but concentrate them in one corner of my field?

Black pfl, unduly heavy and not acting right. Chief not doing his usual overall responsibilities, but concentrating his efforts unduly (maybe spending too much time in Victoria). Means that others (see, red) have to do some of his usual duties (cover much of field). They are still secondary to him, but take on some characteristics of his chieftainship. He is still central and dominant, or else in the corner but body of heaven.

2. Make heavy pfl red. 'Other' becomes heavy and primary. Has primary, black abdicated? Does he see himself dead or off the scene? See son? as primary?

3. Red on black overlap (only on to pfl, not on to any other black elements). Invasion of ego's autonomy - this is Duff Lovelock interpretation. Notice he didn't see what relief mechanisms. The red is invasion, not relief.

a) Confined within the black space (AMNH box) Yes

b) Walking all over the blackspace (Glenbow) No

They (he) can come in, invade my autonomy, provided he conforms to my space and contributes to my purposes.

see over black

### AMNH box

Haven doing 4 things? What is he doing?  
All he has to "do" is "be" Haven, conforming to the rules of design.

In this design the artist was examining his own options of conduct. "What would happen if I went to ---?" are there any guides from the past? What did Haven do? (Haven provides most models in myth and oratory) Let Haven be me, and let's see what happens.

Who are the people of the design? No 1, primary black, drawn in front of all, is ego.

They are not doing specific things. All the action, conduct, doing, is generalized and expressed in the design itself. It is not "how to do a specific thing" but "how to conduct yourself in general". It is generalized, idealized; not particularized, episodic.

Sullivan (on Beethoven)

a great work of art gives the feeling that a large area of experience has been illuminated and harmonized for me.

a different and more desirable organization of experience

a superior organization of experience

art is not superfluous, it exists to convey what cannot be otherwise conveyed



Aberle:

Art is the containment of contradictions

New contradiction: poor get prestige }  
cheap " " } by patching



## Coffins

Chests were coffins, among other things. If the designs have a meaning appropriate to one or other particular time, could it be the chief's death?

Someone always puts his shell in a dry place

It requires a universal theme

What "OTHER" things may the artist be doing?

Draw a Raven?

- not a specific raven, not a natural generic raven
- a more "ravenous" raven (big beak) bigger beak) sometimes teeth
- endow it with non-raven things: bigger eye  
human characteristics

"Drawing" in general (Ravens or any thing else)

- develop <sup>media, tools, paints etc</sup> elements and rules of composition

1. Major shape - not square

2. Primary flow

3. go to a secondary field - may be repeated

4. follow secondary flow

3. Then this development through equivalence  
of many (at least 10) elements, moves  
(even repeats)

similar to a vocabulary and system

There are also formal dualities

## Discursive

The art is to be read discursively  
in fact it cannot be read properly <sup>presentationally</sup> any other way  
One picks up the image of the central face and eyes,  
"reads" it, then gets involved with the movements of  
the major formlines, which take you to the other  
parts of the field, to be examined later.

1. There is an <sup>sequence</sup> order:

1. Major image - not repeated
2. Primary flow
3. go to a secondary field - may be repeated
4. follow secondary flow

2. Even this discursiveness, there are equivalences  
of meaning (standardized elements, moves,  
design segments)  
similar to a vocabulary and syntax

There are also formal dualities

# Directions in Art Study

1. Iconographic, into "third category": Bonagadit and other generic wealth & power spirits
2. Arts of Acculturation: art mediating between 2 cultures
3. Coets: detotalization
4. Sexual symbolism
5. Mands imbued with allegory, metaphor, analogy, myths; ritual;

## 6 Levels of Meaning

1. Iconographic Coets and Bonagadites

"rebus"; "representational"

2. Iconic (structural symbolism)

"symbolic"

"significant form"

"organization of experience"

degrees of arbitrariness (HORSE  $\overline{m}$   $\frac{f}{111}$ )


Mandé

tells me that this is not just one level

towards  
pure design

## AE's Chest Designs

Hard to interpret because they are a couple of steps removed from the explicit depictions from which they evolved; i.e.

- flanking figures either on ends or sides of front have ceased to be explicit and are void remnants
- the developments that had given rise to the Chilkat blanket design, and the copper, had already occurred.
- the double-eye has become conventionalized, maybe to more than Emagadet's wife
- the playing with horizon-mouths - scung-out-of-sea - theme seen on older chests and painted Chilkat chupa-tunic - has settled into remnants; the curved  skin line, etc.
- Chilkat blankets go their merry way, confusing things.
- box designs are derivative of chest designs - others start to copy and create them (like Kwakwaka'wakw)

The ripples are spreading in fact AE's chests are one of them

## Raybow - standardized

- something to do with Emagadet (maybe not that name)
  - front standardized
  - back " <sup>\*rump\*</sup> <sup>\*mask\*</sup>
  - ends more variable
- } None are exact animals in usual sense

as designs, he raised them to a new level of explicitness & form

# Devouring Mouth

"Monster mask" or "alter ego"  
of Fraser.

1. Tongans totem pole
2. New Koroan "Konakadate" poles
3. Shakes' Bear Screen? (design in torso?)

Is it Gash coming out of mouth of monster skin?

4. Old Chest (kongon-mouth)

Is it non-concentricity upwards? or is it strong force attraction to heaviest part of dominating formline?

It works within enclosed fields  
(within the subfield, it is 'in')

The most important principle is power, in 2 aspects:

- when formlines touch - one defers, etc
- the 'concentricity' problem:

the 'pull' of heaviest parts of formlines on things they enclose

- directional signs of split U's
- pull

Of course, upside down faces are concept of up-ness

Same-class formlines repel each other

Inner ovoids are attracted (pulled) by thickest part of <sup>enclosing</sup> formline  
They strive in the same direction as enclosing formline; i.e. upward  
Other inner elements are directional

All enclosed elements must be read in relation to enclosing formline and its role. They 'do the bidding' of their

The only floating elements are inner ovoids (and they float upward in terms of the space that defines them)

All other elements are anchored to something stronger and act with reference to that

Everything is seated on ego, who is strongest and  
stoves upward

Ovoid structures are "own kin", all stoving in same  
direction ('upward' according to its sub role)

Semi-angular structures take their role from ego,  
radiate out and up, are directional according to  
their role. <sup>Secondary</sup> Inner elements help in this role and  
expression of directionality

It is a <sup>statesman's</sup> politician's art (craft rather than shaman), dealing  
with forces of the <sup>visible</sup> real world (Kinship, political power,  
the relationships of all the elements in the system)  
(secular)

There is no reason to assume that it mapped only  
social forces. If the shape and forces of the natural  
world gave anxiety too, they might be depicted.



## "Coast" Systems

Is the oldest coast <sup>system</sup> the Bear?

What happens if you remove from the Haida and Tlingit  
some all the "story" poles (using a myth which is not  
specific to the clan alone)  
and all the Raven myth episodes (which are common prop)

not much in way of "pure" coasts is left.