

Co-Creation for Social Good



“with, not for”

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Where are you?

What is your job title?

**In two sentences, describe
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otherwise) in which you
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that you are excited
about right now? Why?**

Co-creation

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Networking

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Transacting

What are you working on that you are excited about right now? Why?

Co-creating



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practice research

Shared Culture

research practice

Research
of Practice

Revolution

practice as
research

Relation

research
practice

Connection

practice → research

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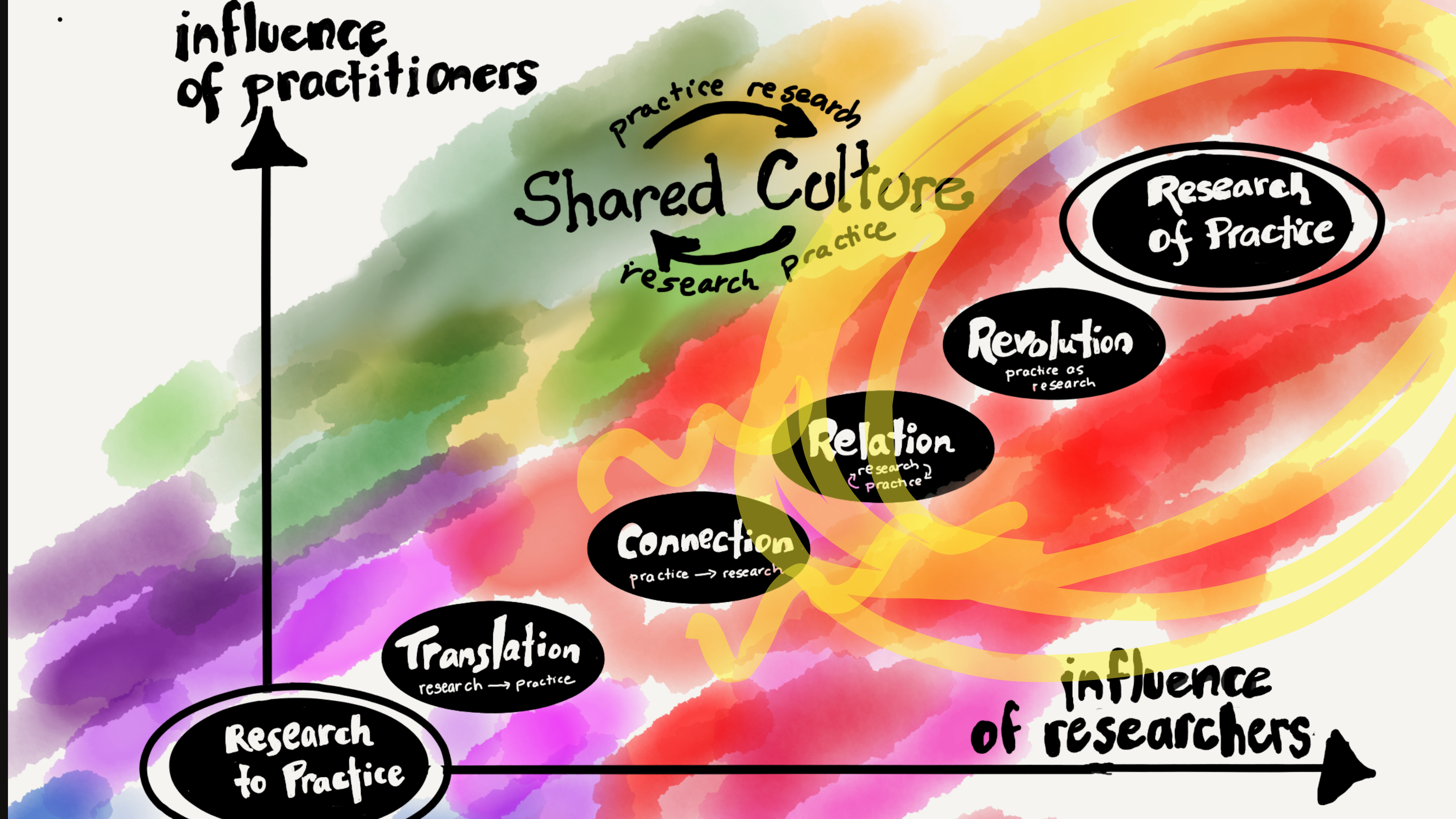
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Co-Creation as
Social
Responsibility

2

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Practice

3

Co-creation in
Research





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A
Activate
B
Build



Co-create
& commit

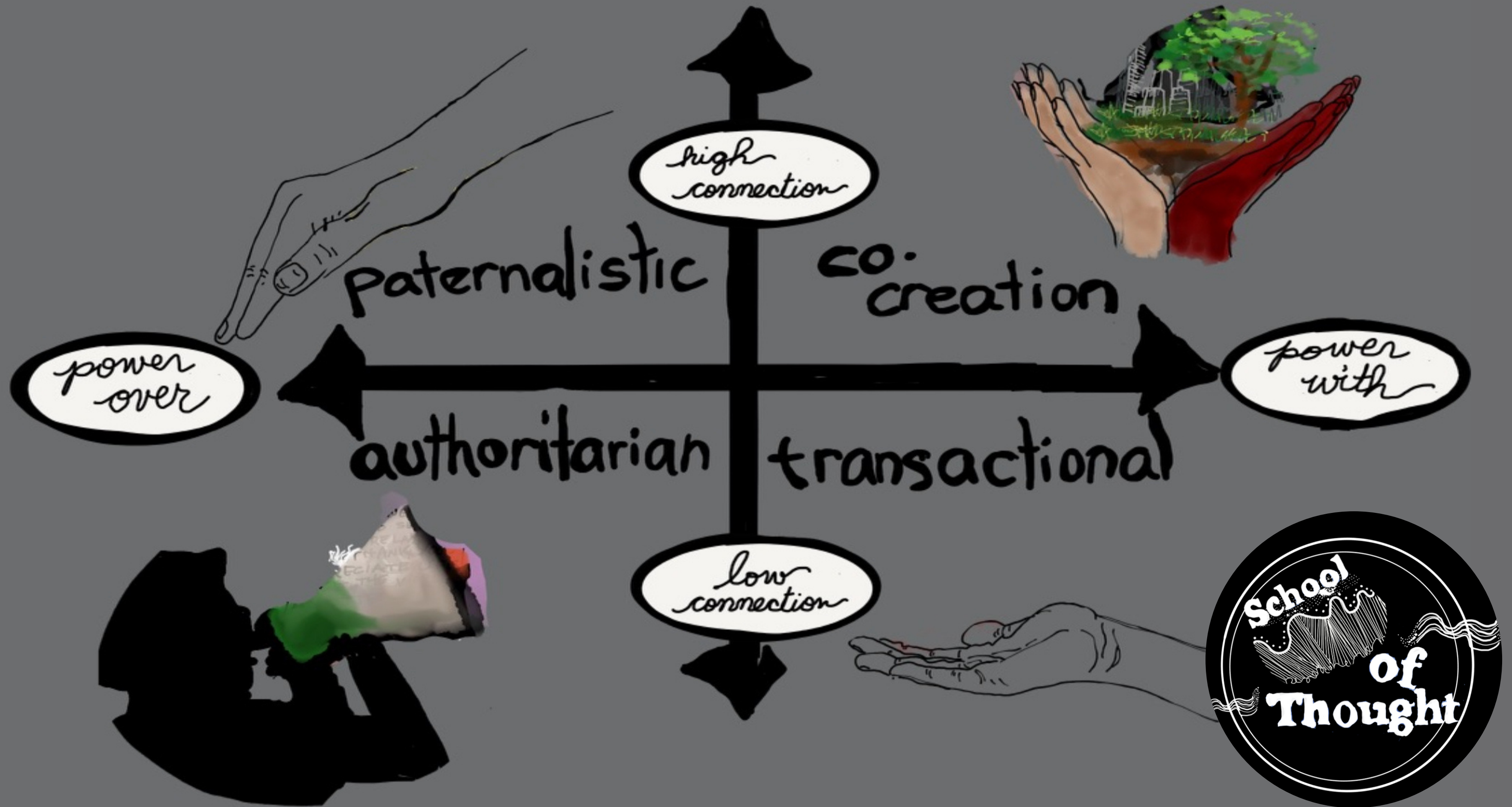
What is social responsibility?



**An ethical framework for
work that results in benefit
for community.**

What is co-creation?





Effective co-creation:

- 1. Diverse partners**
- 2. Shared vision/agenda**
- 3. Shared accountability**
- 4. Shared measures**
- 5. Blended leadership**

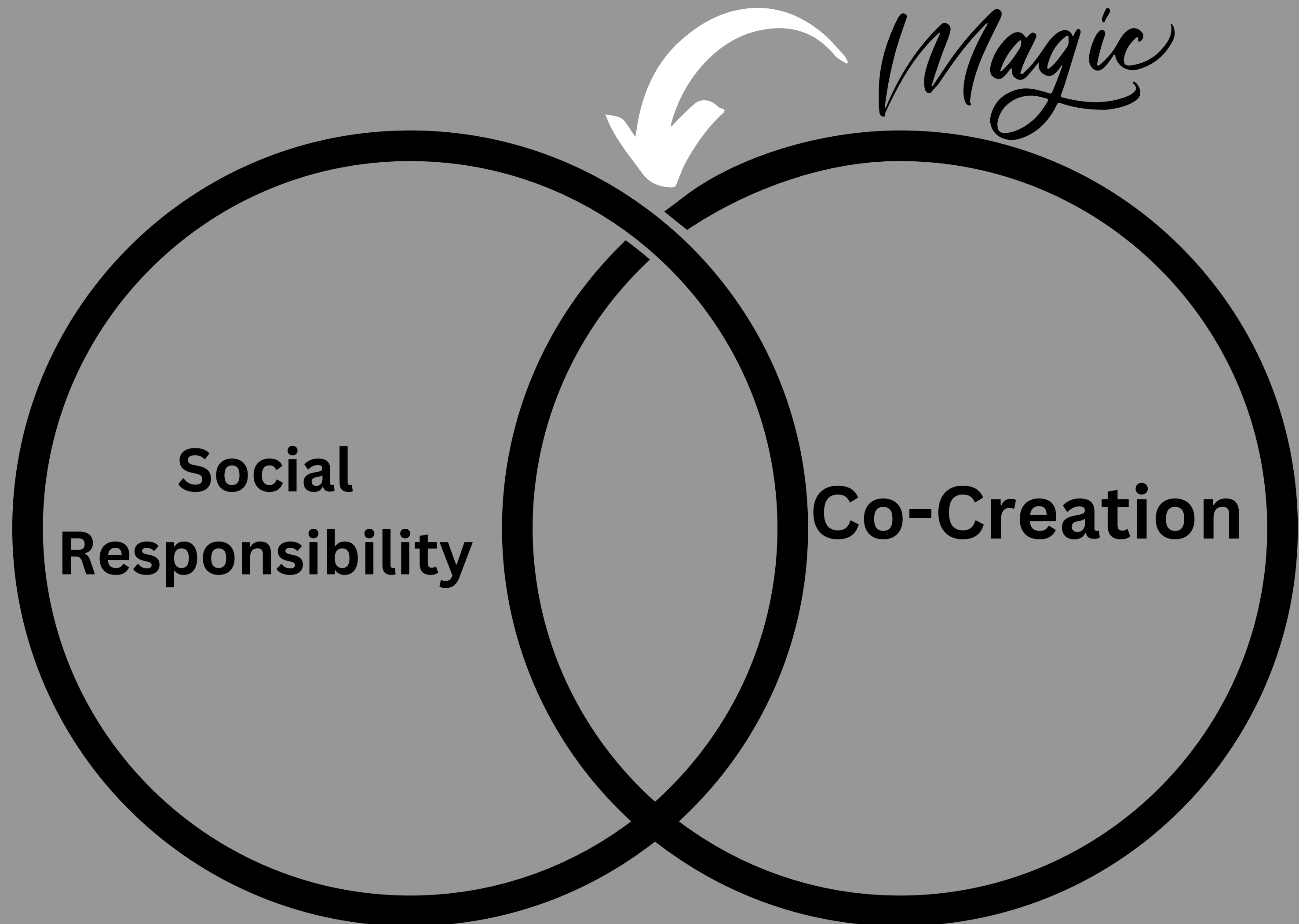
(Harvard Family Research Project, 2010)



Our research:

- 1. Non-organic connections**
 - 2. Mission advocacy**
 - 3. Shared language**
 - 4. Continuous communication**
 - 5. Co-created outcomes**
- (Shore, Ravitch & Croxford, 2020)**





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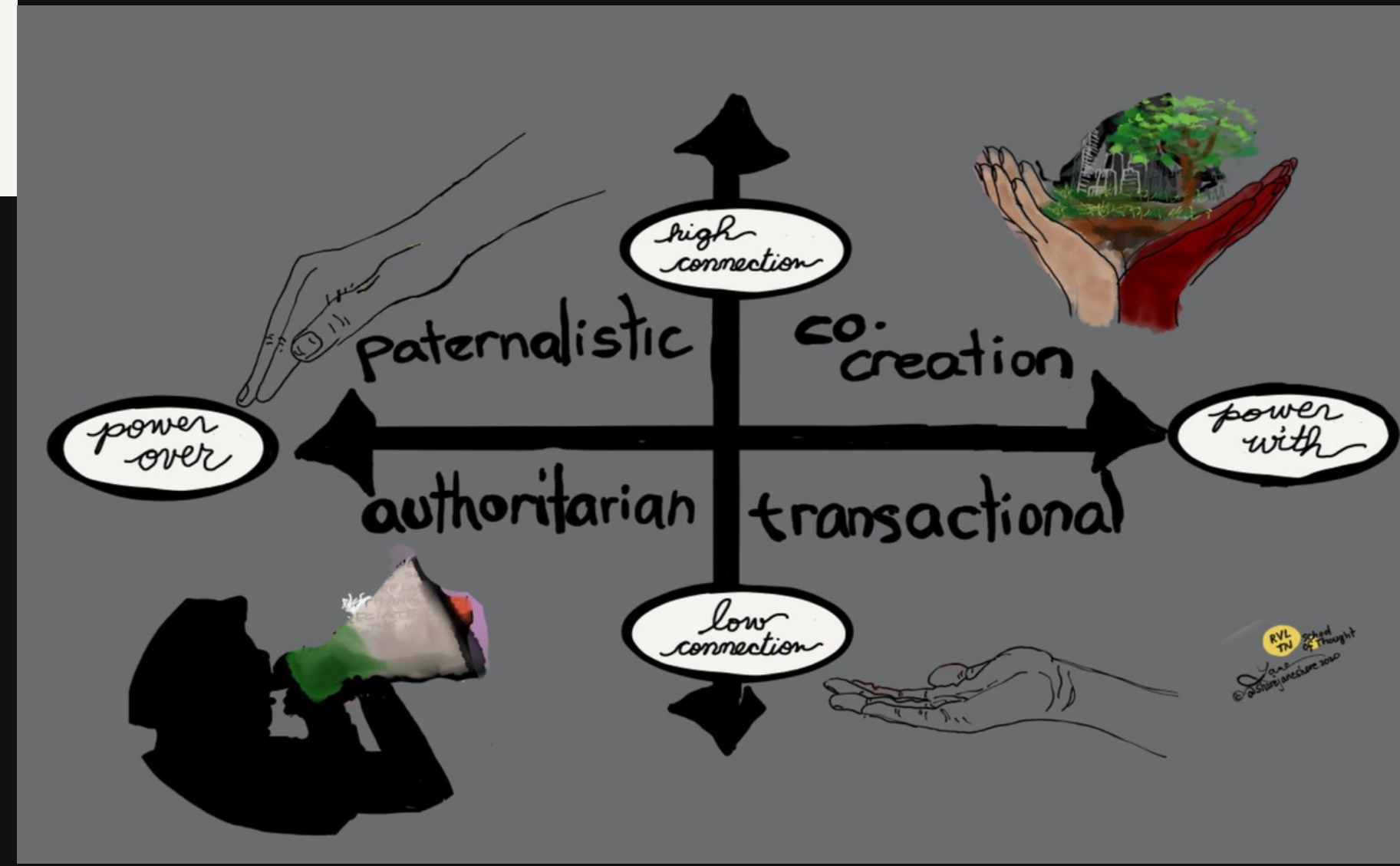
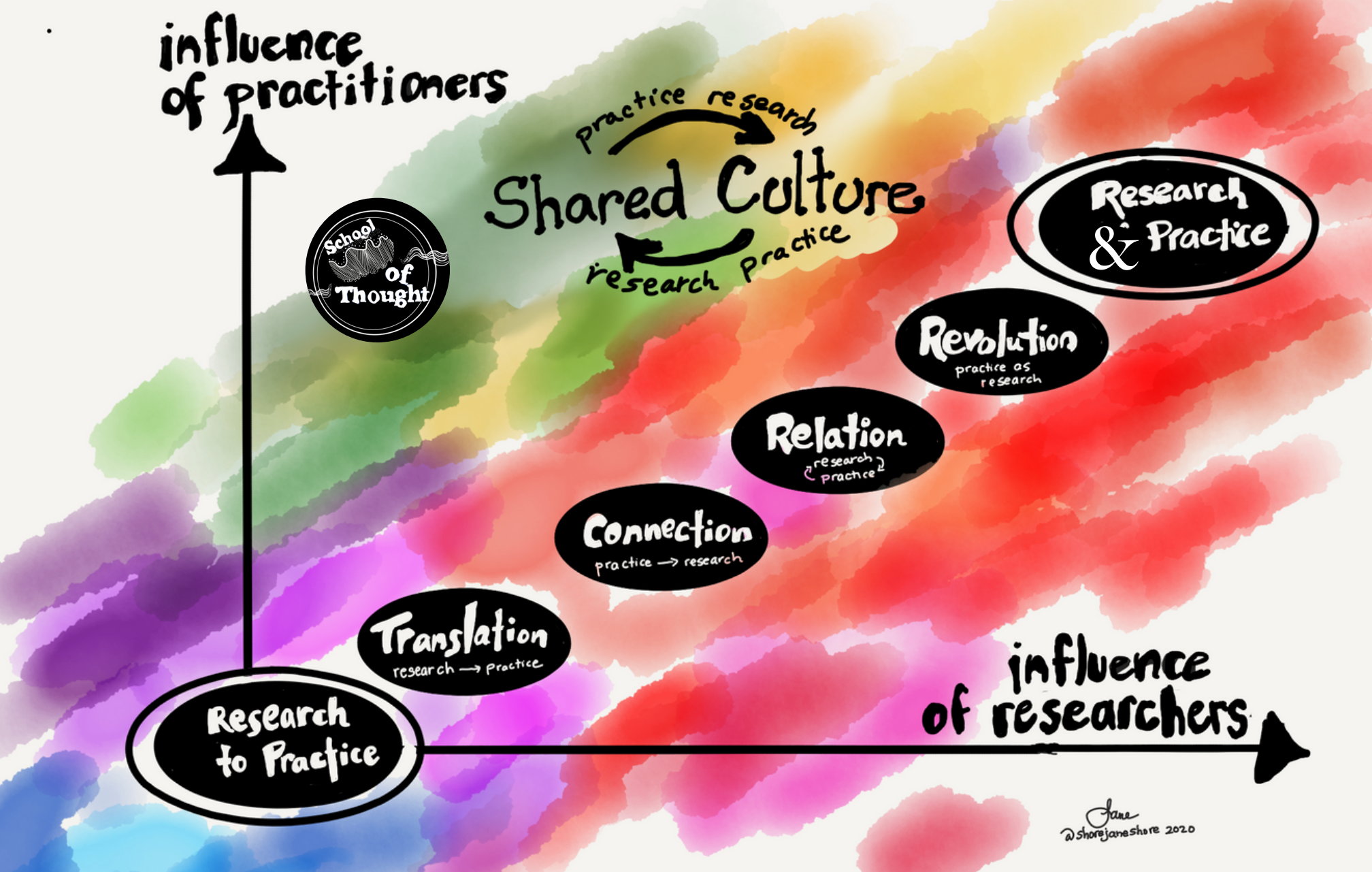
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Pennsylvania Prison Society



Youth Arts Self-empowerment Project



Revolution goes to the Philly
Defenders office and learns what
they do



Philly Defenders return and run
student focus groups at Revolution
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“I Wish to Say” by Sheryl Oring, Dean at U Arts



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Cosmic Writers

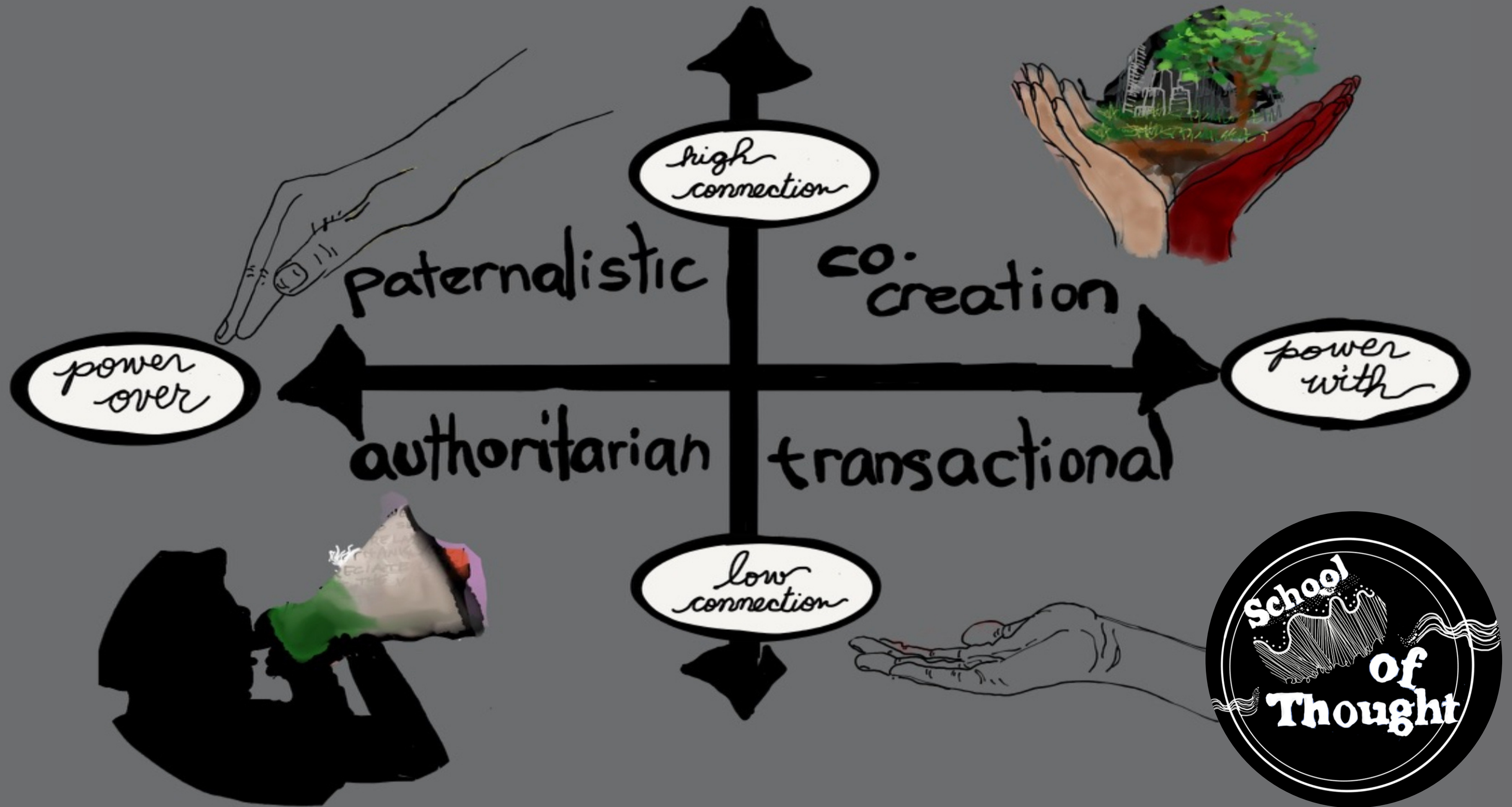


The Language of Co-Creation

Field trips -> Fieldwork

Notes -> Data

Extracurricular -> Partnership



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resources

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Community Building

Partnerships

Zone 5

Pilots

Zone 4

Projects

Zone 3

Participation

Zone 2

People

Zone 1

Purpose
Zone 0

influence of ideas

influence of partners

durable
connection

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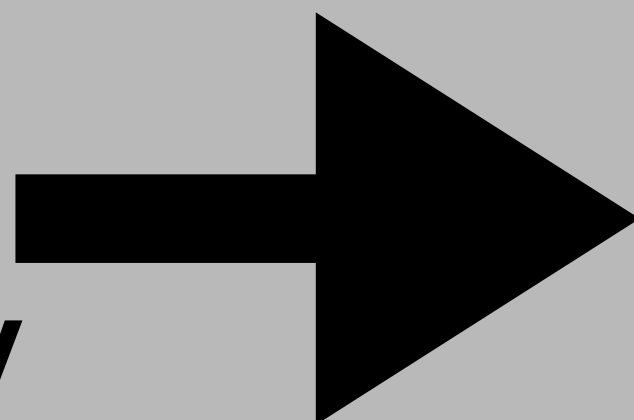


Typical partnering

by researchers

input & consultancy

using research



Co-Creation

by stakeholders

agency & insight

Co-creating & sensemaking



CONNECTING TO, WITH AND FOR COMMUNITY



DO NOW

Collect Data

Collect sexy evidence
of effectiveness

Integrate
research and
practice literacy
into culture

Create pathways for
sharing outcomes
stories

Make a project /
Do a SPRINT

Shared measures
and metrics

Cross promote

Better understand
and connect
different networks
of programs/
schools

Pool resources to
tell the collective
story

Create systems for
recognizable and
shared language

Partner with
universities/
organizations/each
other for shared
benefits

On a to do list for
later

Make a task

Effort

Impact

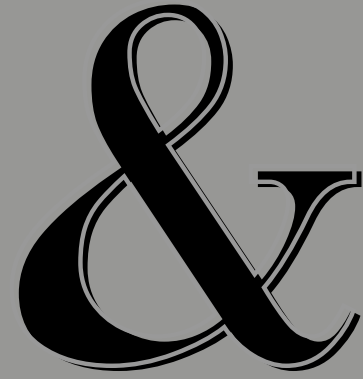




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Human Listening + Machine Learning

Question: What are the effects of machine learning on human listening in participant created conversation projects?

Co-creators: 4 schools & 3 sectors (education, health care, environment)

Outcomes: Feasibility, efficiency, value, human factors, listening effectiveness, conversation quality

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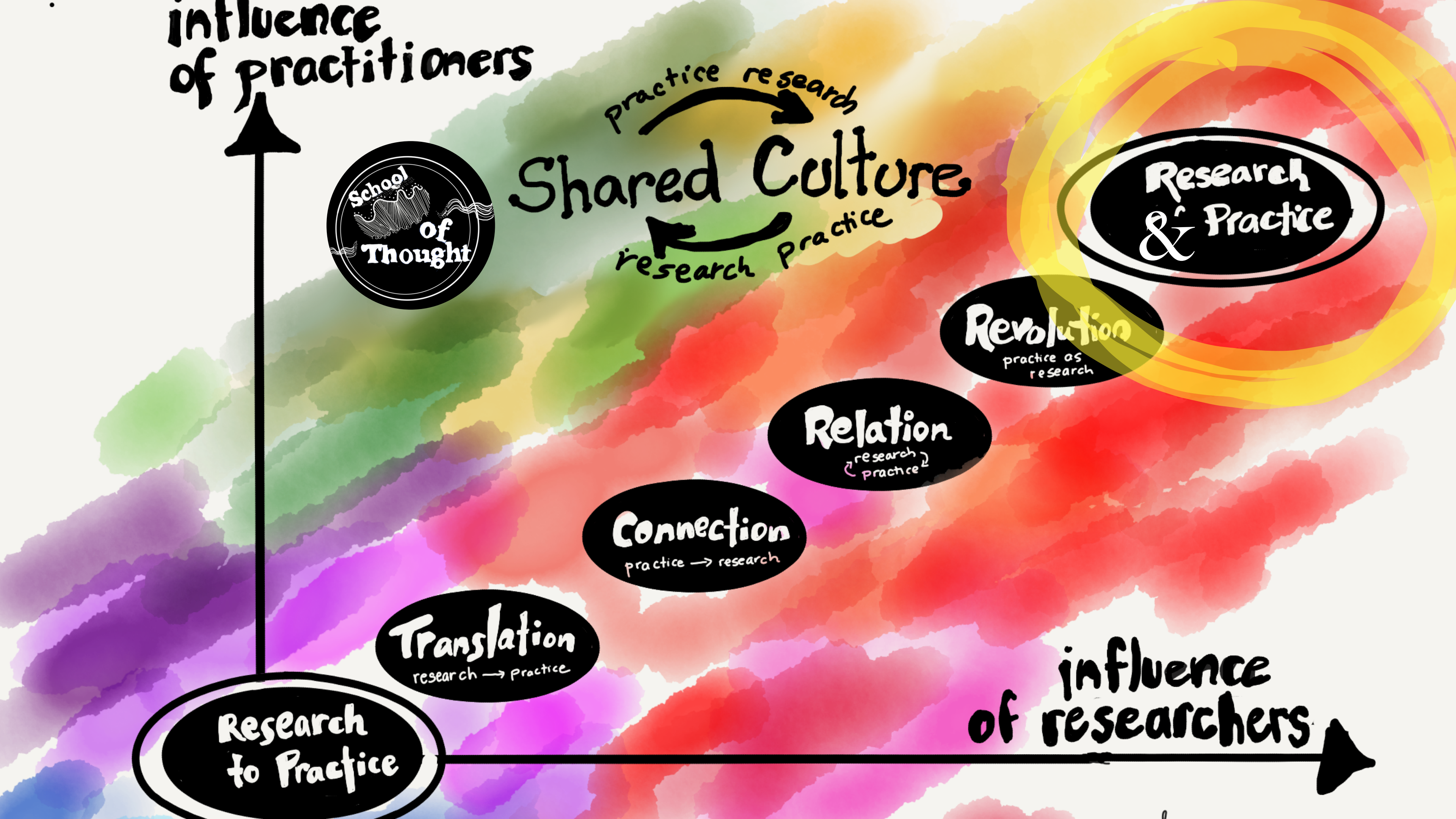
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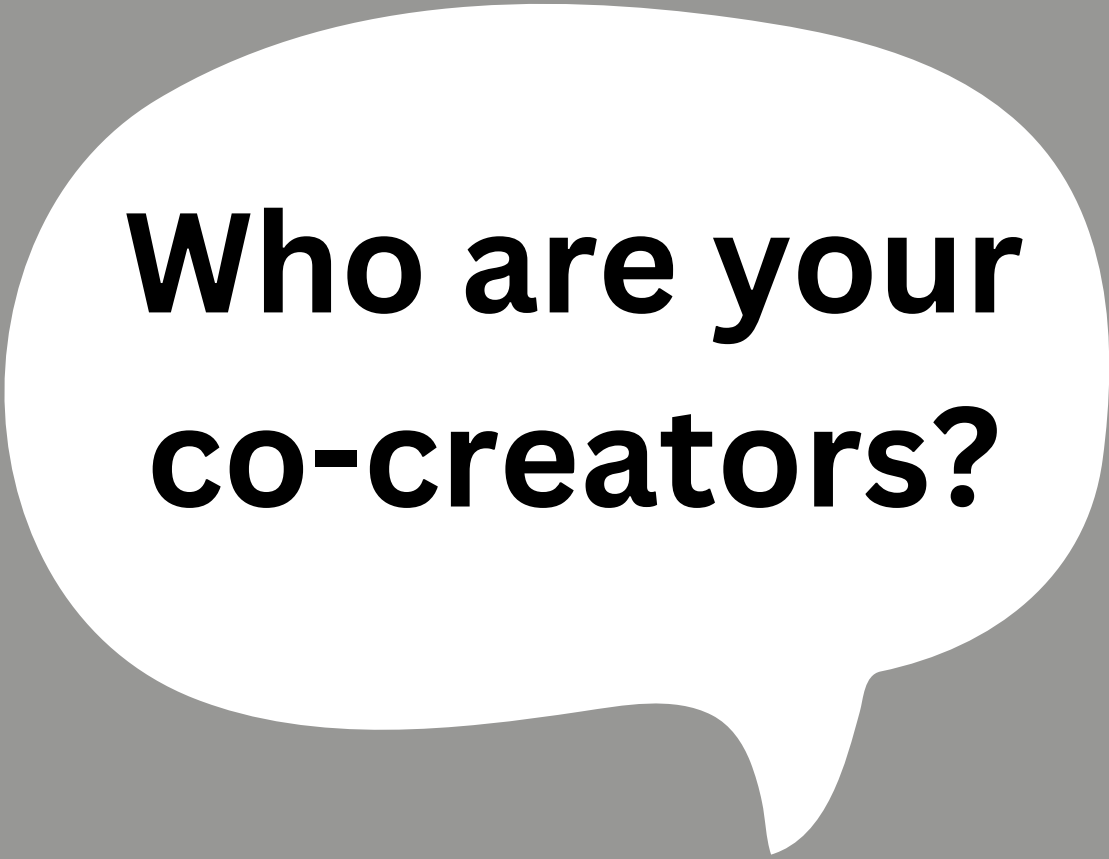
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- **Work with, not for.**
- **Keep it FAIR.**
- **Find questions & solutions together.**
- **Elevate unique roles.**
- **Stop tokenizing practitioner wisdom.**



**Who are your
co-creators?**

comments, questions, insights?

(out loud or in the chat!)



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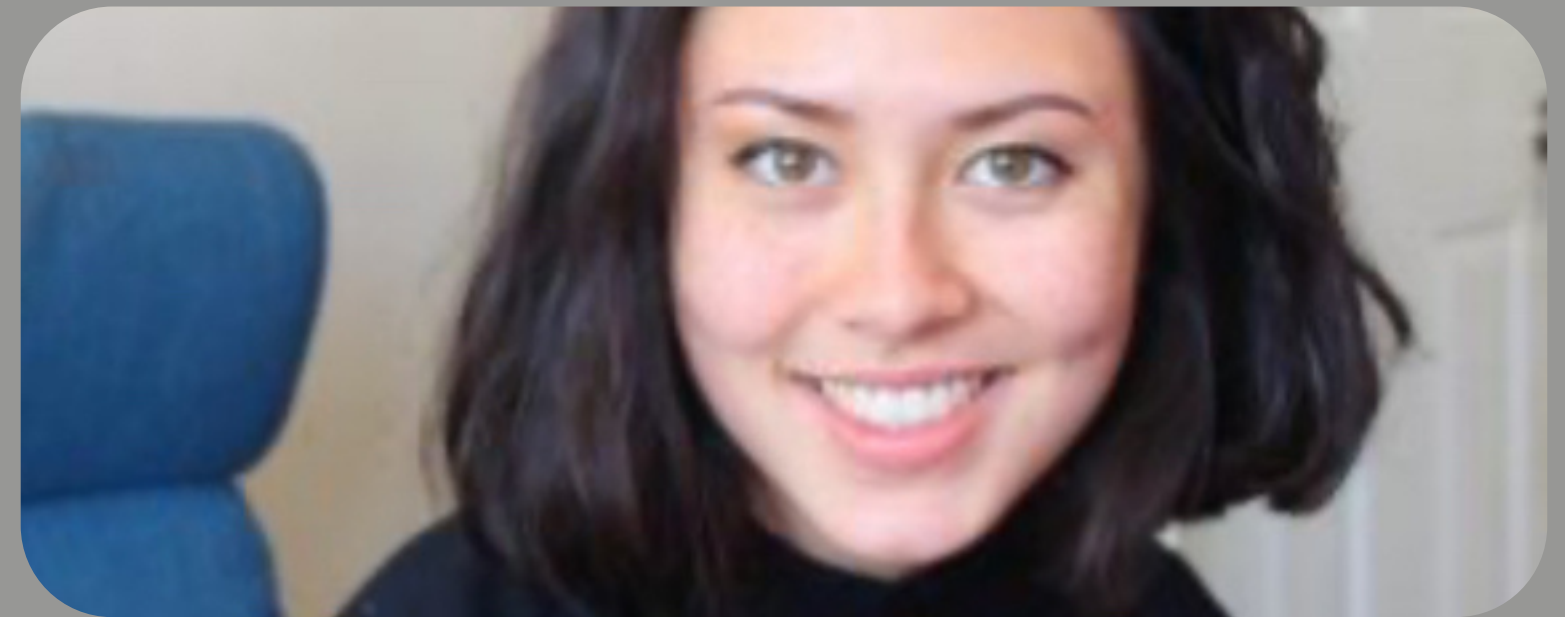
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