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FINDING THE WHOLE IN OUR PAST:
EPISODES IN MODERN WORLD HISTORY

WITH DR. MICHAEL M. BRESCIA, CURATOR OF ETHNOHISTORY
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Legendary filmmaker and humorist Mel Brooks parodied western civilization and Hollywood efforts to glorify ‘the West’ in the now classic movie, History of the World, Part I. This four-part series will differ from the more traditional ‘western civ’ approach to understanding the past and instead take the entire globe as its field of historical study. Dr. Brescia will examine the history of the modern world since 1500 via the premise that political, economic, and cultural interconnections and dependencies among peoples of the world—nowadays called “globalization”—have deep roots in the past. Societies and cultures around the world unfolded neither in isolation nor in a vacuum but rather as a consequence of their relationships with neighboring and sometimes distant peoples. To make sense of the world in which we live today we will cultivate our historical imaginations to critically view the globe and its peoples as a whole rather than as discrete and exceptional units devoid of contact and exchange. Broad coverage of the modern world includes the origins of global interdependence (1450-1800); the age of revolution, industry, and empire (1750-1914); and the so-called ‘short twentieth century.’

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