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# VIOLENCE AND RECONCILIATION IN LATIN AMERICA: HUMAN RIGHTS, MEMORY, AND DEMOCRACY

JANUARY 31—FEBRUARY 2, 2008 • UNIVERSITY OF OREGON



This conference explores the multiple and contested ways in which Latin American societies attempt to deal with their recent past of extreme violence and human rights violations, as well as the lessons they offer for the process of building democratic and just societies in the region.

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:



**ARTURO ESCOBAR**, 2007–8 Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics, presents “Left Turn, Right Turn? Where is Latin America Going?”

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2008 • 7:00 P.M.**  
**EMU BALLROOM, ERB MEMORIAL UNION**



**GREG GRANDIN**, NYU, will offer the 2008 Bartolomé de las Casas Lecture in Latin American Studies on “Remembering Latin America’s Other ‘Transition to Democracy.’”

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2008 • 5:30 P.M.**  
**FIR ROOM, ERB MEMORIAL UNION**



**ARTURO ARIAS**, University of Texas, Austin, presents “The Ghosts of the Past, Human Dignity, and the Collective Need for Reparation.”

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2008 • 4:30 P.M.**  
**FIR ROOM, ERB MEMORIAL UNION**

#### PANEL TITLES INCLUDE:

“WHOSE TRUTH? REASSESSING TRUTH COMMISSIONS’ REPORTS”

“BATTLING FOR MEMORY: ALTERNATIVE AND NONOFFICIAL ACCOUNTS OF VIOLENCE”

“POLITICAL PRISONERS: LITERATURE, TESTIMONY AND SURVIVAL”

“MEMORY IN FILM AND DOCUMENTARY”

“GENDER, VIOLENCE, AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN PRESENT-DAY LATIN AMERICA”

The conference features more than twenty speakers from the U.S. and Latin America.

All sessions are free and open to the public and will be held at the Erb Memorial Union on the University of Oregon campus in Eugene, Oregon.

Information and the program are available at [las.uoregon.edu/events/conference.htm](http://las.uoregon.edu/events/conference.htm).

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