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GREG GRANDIN

Author and
Historian



Discussion led by
RYAN GRIM

Author and
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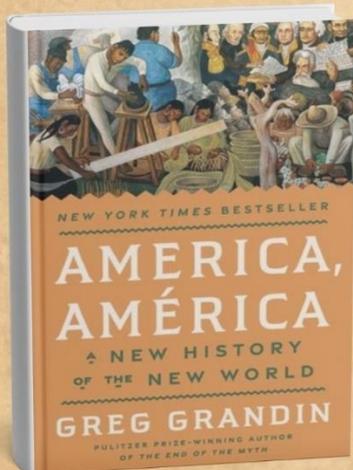
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Book Discussion

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[Greg Grandin's *America, América: A New History of the New World* – Book Discussion](#)

Thursday, September 25, 2025

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. EDT

Busboys and Poets, 450 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20001

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The Center for Economic and Policy Research ([CEPR](#)), [Demand Progress](#), and [Progressive Talent Pipeline](#) invite you to a conversation between Pulitzer Prize-winning historian **Greg Grandin** and author and journalist **Ryan Grim** as they discuss Grandin's latest New York Times bestseller, *America, América: A New History of the New World*, a sweeping five-century narrative of the turbulent relationship between an expansionist United States and the nations of Latin America, and how that relationship has largely shaped the identities of both.

Grandin shows how, in response to US interventions, Latin Americans remade the rules of international relations, with lasting implications for the modern world. As *The New Yorker* notes, Grandin's book helps to make the current state of the relationship clear by “[shedding] light on the expansionist ambitions Trump has voiced during his second term,” while also holding hope for a future in which “historical struggles for social democracy across Latin America might serve as a model for a social-democratic movement.”

America, América has received rave reviews. Naomi Klein described it as “Dazzling. Sweeping. Mind-altering. World-changing.” *The New York Times* has called it “an enthralling narrative.” *The Irish Times* referred to it as “the historical equivalent of the great epic novels of Gabriel García Márquez.” For the *Los Angeles Times*, Grandin's book “upend[s] conceptions of the hemisphere . . . each day's headlines further confirm the deep-rooted patterns that his brilliant and urgently needed history traces.”

The event will open with remarks from Francesca Emanuele, Senior International Policy Associate at CEPR. Francesca specializes in US policy toward Latin America and the Caribbean, with a focus on human rights, democracy, economic development, and regional integration across the Americas.

About the author:

[Greg Grandin](#) is the Peter V. and C. Vann Woodward Professor of History at Yale University. He received his doctorate at Yale University under the direction of Emilia Viotti da Costa and Gilbert Joseph and previously taught at New York University for 19 years. He is the author of seven books, including *The Blood of Guatemala*, which won the Latin American Studies Association's Bryce Wood Award for best book published on Latin America in any discipline; *The Last Colonial Massacre*; *Empire's Workshop*; *Fordlandia*, which was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, the National Book Award, and the National Book Critics Award; *The Empire of*

Necessity, which won the Bancroft and Beveridge awards in American history; *Kissinger's Shadow*; and *The End of the Myth*, which won the Pulitzer Prize for general nonfiction and was a finalist in the history category. Grandin is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Society of American Historians. He has coedited, with Gil Joseph, *A Century of Revolution*, and, with Deborah Levenson and Elizabeth Oglesby, *The Guatemala Reader*. Grandin has published widely, in *The Nation*, where he is a member of the editorial board; the *London Review of Books*; *The New Republic*; *NACLA's Report on the Americas*; and *The New York Times*, among other venues. He is a regular guest on *Democracy Now!* A revised edition of *Empire's Workshop* is forthcoming.

About the discussant:

Ryan Grim is the cofounder of [Drop Site News](#) and a longtime DC reporter, breaking news from the halls of Congress and leading the Washington bureaus for *The Intercept* and *HuffPost*. At *HuffPost*, he led a team that was twice a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, and won once. Grim has spent years chronicling the rise of progressives in Congress, and his most recent book is *The Squad: AOC and the Hope of a Political Revolution*, which followed his best-selling *We've Got People*. He's also the author of the 2009 book *This Is Your Country On Drugs*.

About the opening speaker:

[Francesca Emanuele](#) focuses on US policy toward Latin America and the Caribbean as well as issues related to human rights, democracy, economic development, and regional integration in the Americas. Her commentary and analysis have appeared in US outlets such as *Associated Press*, *Foreign Policy*, and *The Nation*, as well as in international media, particularly in her home country, Peru. She has organized and participated in electoral observation missions in Peru, Colombia, Argentina, and other countries across the Western Hemisphere. Francesca holds a degree in Sociology from the Complutense University of Madrid, a Master's in Public and Social Policy from Pompeu Fabra University, and is a doctoral candidate in Public Anthropology at American University, where her research focuses on the Organization of American States.



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