Challenging Myths and Exceptions

Film Screening: The Shadow Of The West

[Thursday, 11 April, Lipsius 005, 17:15-19:00]

The Shadow of the West (1982) is one of the few rare documentary films by Edward Said. The documentary was part of the larger series "The Arabs - A Living History" created for PBS and was one of the few, if not the only, documentary film by Said that was allowed to be broadcast in the United States. In the film, Edward Said, the renowned Palestinian scholar, examines Western attitudes to the Arabs and finds their origins in the Crusades, Hollywood and imperialism. He sees the Palestinian fate as the result of years of Western interference.

Discussants

The Q&A will be moderated by **Benjamin Fogarty-Valenzuela**, Assistant Professor of Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology at Leiden University; Judith Naeff, Assistant Professor Cultures of the Middle East at Leiden University; and Manar Ellethy, PhD Candidate in cultural studies and documentary film at Leiden University.

Changes to the programme or its locations will be announced online. More information on the teach-in series: **https://bitly.ws/3doWc** and here — Open to all Leiden University students and staff (LU card may be required). Any questions or suggestions may be directed to **leiden.teachin@gmail.com**.

