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THE 2010 H. NICHOLAS HAMNER LECTURE

Past Obsessions: World War Two in History and Memory

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Fetzer Center Auditorium, WMU
6 p.m.



Carol Gluck is the George Sansom Professor of History at the Columbia University. Her extensive publications include several award winning books, including *Japan's Modern Myths: Ideology in the Late Meiji Period* (1985), *Showa: the Japan of Hirohito* (1992), *Thinking with the Past: the Japanese and Modern History* (2008), and *Words in Motion*, co-edited with Anna Tsing (2009). She received her B.A. from Wellesley in 1962 and her Ph.D. from Columbia in 1977. She joined the Columbia faculty in 1975. Professor Gluck is an elected member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Philosophical Society, and is currently involved in the National Coalition on Asian and International Studies in the Schools, the board of trustees of the Asia Society, the board of directors of the Japan Society, and is an elected member of the Council of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and others. In n 2006, she received the Order of the Rising Sun, Japan's highest civilian honor. Gluck's current book project, from which her lecture is drawn, is entitled "Past Obsessions: World War Two in History and Memory."

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