

# Nashville Cordell Hull United Nations Association Fall Dinner and Lecture in Celebration of UN Day

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Reception 5:30, Dinner 6:00, Talk 6:30

*Brazil: Impeachment, the Olympics, and Growing Pains*



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**Belle Meade** United Methodist Church, 121 Davidson Road, 37205

**Reservations Required by NOON Thursday, October 20th**

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**Marshall C. Eakin** is a historian of Latin America specializing in the history of modern Brazil. His major publications have concentrated on economic and business history, industrialization, and the processes of nationalism and nation-building--primarily in the twentieth century. Much of his work addresses audiences beyond the academy. These include a one-volume introduction to Brazil for beginners and two video courses with The Great Courses. In 2007, Palgrave published his latest book, *The History of Latin America: Collision of Cultures*. His next book, *Becoming Brazilians: Race and National Identity in Twentieth-Century Brazil* will appear in 2017. Eakin has been the recipient of the Jeffrey Nordhaus Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching (1991), the Madison Sarratt Prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching (1994), the Alumni Education Award (1999 & 2016), and a Chair of Teaching Excellence (1998-2001). He has been awarded grants from Fulbright-Hays, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the U.S. Department of Education. He is the Faculty Director for the Ingram Scholarship Program at Vanderbilt. Marshall is a long-time member of the Nashville Cordell Hull UNA and currently serves on its Board of Directors.

The fifth largest country in the world in size and population, the seventh largest economy, and fourth largest democracy, **Brazil** has emerged on the world scene over the last fifteen years. After striking economic growth in the first decade of this century lifted nearly forty million people out of poverty Brazil is now experiencing its greatest economic contraction in a century, and a political corruption scandal that has brought down its first female president. In the midst of this major political and economic crisis, Rio de Janeiro just hosted the Summer Olympics. This talk surveys the enormous gains Brazil has made in the last generation, the enormous inequalities that remain, and the political challenges the country faces over the next generation.