TIME TRAVEL WITH HISTORICAL DOCUMENTARIES

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Class Outline

Clips from these films will be shown in class. You are welcome to watch the entire film before class, but it is not necessary. I have included how to access the entire film. Some are several episodes in length.

Week 1

Biographies – How do you tell a new story about a household name?

Films discussed and availability:

MLK / FBI – HULU, Amazon Prime, Apple TV Lincoln: Prelude to the Presidency - WILL-TV Hemingway – PBS.org

Week 2

Music – what makes it more than a concert film?

Films discussed and availability:

Get Back – Disney+
Woodstock - HBOmax, Amazon Prime, Apple TV
Summer of Soul – Disney+, Apple TV

Week 3

War – reflecting on harrowing events and what the films say about humanity.

Films discussed and availability:

They Shall Not Grow Old – HBOmax, HULU, Apple TV, YouTube, Amazon The Civil War – Amazon, YouTube
Five Came Back – Netflix

Week 4

Changing times – how do historical documentaries shed light on social movements and cultural change?

Films discussed and availability:

Crip Camp - Netflix
Mercury 13 - Netflix
I am Not Your Negro — Amazon, YouTube, Apple TV