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## California and the American Dream (KCET) 10 tonight

This new four-part series from PBS, which airs on two consecutive Thursday and Sunday evenings, is a fascinating account of four particular issues central to California's past and also its well being in the future.

The four filmmakers involved (each is responsible for one episode) have, as a group, covered the Golden State from the ground up and into the cultural hereafter.

Episode 1, "California's 'Lost Tribes,'" from filmmaker Jed Riffe, takes a detailed look at the way American Indians living in California have gone from being dirt poor to being some of the state's wealthiest citizens, all because of their ventures in the gaming industry. Episode 2, Paul Espinosa's "The Price of Renewal," follows issues of community development, philanthropy and civic engagement as one community attempts to rebuild its tattered self. Episode 3, "The New Los Angeles," from director Lyn Goldfarb, looks at the infusion, and mixing and matching, of cultural and racial groups as they converge on the City of Angels. Episode 4, from director Emiko Omori, is "Ripe for Change," which examines the intersection of food and politics in the state over the past several decades. Put together, these episodes offer a stunning and realistic portrait of the California of everyone's imagination.



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