

AMAZING:

The Rebuilding of the MacArthur Maze

This half-hour Special tells the remarkable story of the fiery collapse and rebuilding (in only 26 days) of a key connector in the Bay Area's MacArthur Maze, where three major freeways meet just east of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.



Amazing was produced and directed by David L. Brown, winner of two Emmy Awards for "The Bridge So Far," his recent documentary on the Bay Bridge. **Amazing** tells the story of the Maze reconstruction from the perspectives of all the main players in the drama: the now legendary contractor **C.C. Myers**; Caltrans Director **Will Kempton** and his Caltrans engineers; the Arizona steel fabricator whose company built the steel girders; the firefighter who responded to the accident; and the reporters who covered the story.

In addition to interviews, **Amazing** includes a wide variety of news and archival footage of the entire 26-day process beginning with the fire that melted and collapsed the structure and an animated depiction of the gasoline tanker truck which overturned and created the fireball. The film captures the vivid impressions of the first responders, the overnight creation of new design plans, and C.C. Myers capturing the winning bid, planning on a large bonus for early completion. Viewers will see how Caltrans and the Myers team tracked down enough steel and worked day and night to rebuild the structure in record time.

The Emmy Award-winning animation team from "The Bridge So Far" enhances the educational and entertainment aspects of the special: 3-D animation by Rick Pepper depicts the accident and rebuilding, and humorous cartoon animation by Charlie Canfield portrays key moments in the story.

Amazing is the first broadcast entertainment/documentary on this extraordinary story.



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