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SYNOPSIS for Episode 1

N.A.NOW, an acronym for NATIVE AWARENESS NOW, is a high production value, 30 minute talk show made for Television. N.A.NOW 's format and subject matter deals with issues facing Native Americans. Whether on the Reservation, in the big city, in mainstream business or in any walk of modern life, the Native American of today faces unique issues and challenges. N.A.NOW is hosted by Jonathan Joss, Directed by Irene Bedard.

EPISODE 1. Episode one has guests David Ortiz and Raven Hernandez.

David Ortiz is the Director the American Indian Movement (A.I.M.) Central Texas Chapter. He brings with him insightful knowledge and the practical mission of A.I.M. particular to his region of the country, and by extension, to that of the rest of the nation as well. He addresses issues such as the beginnings of A.I.M. as being more a spiritual, uplifting source for Native people than anything else, and how today's A.I.M. seeks to guide Native youth correctly on "The Red Road" in preserving their culture. He also talks about other subjects that the organization deals with, such as homelessness among Natives, as well as substance abuse, helping those Natives in need of perhaps reconnecting with not just their heritage, but with themselves as well. He also touches on such tragic issues as the disappearance of Native woman and the lack of press courage and assistance of such horrific stories.

Raven Hernandez is a talented musician and the former lead guitarist of the band, "Redbone." He is also N.A.NOW's resident, in-house musician/musical director and Jonathan's co-host. In this first episode of N.A.NOW, we get to know Raven by looking at part of his journey, through clips of a documentary done about him and his musicianship, revealing to all the talent that he is. And, we come to learn of Raven's *magical powers* which he utilizes by taking us through the *Teepee Portal* to wonderful places. First stop, the restaurant Ferretiz Grill & Catering, which specializes in Native Cuisine.