

press release

THE CIVIL WAR, the ground-breaking Peabody and Emmy award-winning documentary from filmmaker Ken Burns, will air in its entirety on Thirteen, beginning on Saturday, April 9, 2005 at 8 a.m. This nine-part film captured the country's attention and became one of the highest rated shows in PBS history when it was first broadcast in 1990. The series weaves archival photographs, live cinematography, music, and narration to evoke a defining era of this country and explore one of the great themes of our history: the struggle for human freedom. "The Civil War was the greatest event in American history," Burns states, "in order to become one, we had to tear ourselves in two. Before the war, Americans said, The United States are. After the war, we said, The United States is."

Episode Schedule

THE CIVIL WAR will air from Saturday, April 9 at 8 a.m. to Sunday, April 10 at noon.

The Cause – 1861, airing Saturday, April 9 at 8 a.m. (FB: Saturday, April 9 at 10 p.m.)

A Very Bloody Affair – 1862, airing at 10:05 a.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 12:05 a.m.)

Forever Free – 1862, airing at 11:25 a.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 1:25 a.m.)

Simply Murder – 1863, airing at 1 p.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 3 a.m.)

The Universe of Battle – 1863, airing at 2:10 p.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 4:10 a.m.)

Valley of the Shadow of Death – 1864, airing at 4 p.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 6 a.m.)

Most Hallowed Ground – 1864, airing at 5:25 p.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 7:25 a.m.)

War is All Hell – 1865, airing at 6:55 p.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 8:55 a.m.)

The Better Angels of Our Nature – 1865, airing at 8:25 p.m. (FB: Sunday, April 10 at 10:25 a.m.)