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Incline L.A.: Angels Flight and Its Lost Sibling, Court Flight (Episode 1)

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Angels Flight: a downtown Los Angeles landmark. Its orange, beaux-arts archways and

A few blocks north of Angels Flight, another incline railway once also scaled the face of **Bunker Hill**. Named Court Flight, the railway linked the courthouses and public administration buildings of the civic center to the otherwise inaccessible residential neighborhood perched above.

With the exception of Angels Flight, these incline railways -- also known as funiculars -- are now lost to history, their remains rusting on hillsides or long ago sold for scrap, their memory preserved only in the photographs, films, and maps of the region's archives. Now, discover the stories of these forgotten funiculars through "Incline L.A.," a new video

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