



THOMAS SOWELL

COMMON SENSE IN A SENSELESS WORLD

A PERSONAL EXPLORATION BY JASON RILEY

Thomas Sowell: Common Sense in a Senseless World Premieres on Public Television February 2021

ERIE, PA (January 25, 2021) – **Thomas Sowell: Common Sense in a Senseless World** explores the life and work of one of our era's greatest authors on race, history and economics. The one-hour documentary hosted by *The Wall Street Journal's* Jason Riley comes to public television in February 2021.

"You're about to meet one of the greatest minds of the past half-century," said Riley. "His story is both fascinating and illuminating."

Sowell began his life's journey in rural North Carolina. As a boy, his family migrated to Harlem, NY, where his intellectual hunger and lifelong love of learning was kick-started with an introduction to the Harlem Library and culminated at the esteemed Hoover Institution. Between Harlem and Hoover, Sowell's intellectual honesty and quest for facts took him into the Marine's Combat Camera Corps during the Korean War, then onto Harvard, Columbia University and the University of Chicago for his Ph.D. in economics. He has earned positions at top universities as a professor of economics, was a popular syndicated columnist for 30 years, and has written and published 37 books – so far – on a variety of subjects. A true Renaissance man, Dr. Sowell also continues to pursue his love of nature photography.

The one-hour program features insights from Sowell, interviews with colleagues, associates and with those he has inspired, revealing why the intensely private Thomas Sowell is considered by many to be "one of the greatest minds of the past half-century" and "the smartest person in the room."

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