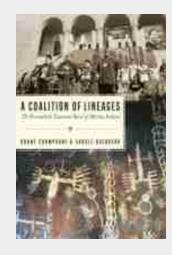
## A Coalition of Lineages

The Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians

The FernandeÑo Tataviam Band of California Mission Indians have lived in Southern California in the area now known as Los Angeles and Ventura Counties from time immemorial. Throughout history, these Indigenous Californians faced major challenges as colonizers moved in to harvest the resources of the California lands. Through meticulous archival research, authors Duane Champagne and Carole Goldberg trace the history of the FernandeÑo Tataviam Band from the time before the Spanish arrived in the Americas to the present day. The history of Southern California's Indigenous communities is mapped through the story of family and their descendants, or lineages. The authors explain how politically and culturally independent lineages merged and strengthened via marriage, creating complex and enduring coalitions among Indigenous communities. The Indigenous people of Southern California faced waves of colonizers the Spanish, then the Mexicans, followed by Americans - and their coalitions allowed them to endure to today. Champagne and Goldberg are leading experts in Native sovereignty policies and histories. They worked in collaboration with members of the FernandeÑo Tataviam Band of Mission Indians to illustrate how the community formed and persisted. A Coalition of Lineages is not only the story of a Native Southern California community, it is also a model for multicultural tribal development for recognized and nonrecognized Indian nations in the United States and elsewhere.



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