1st MISTY CONFAB: A-OK!

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Over 500 boisterous fans gathered at Minneapolis' Comedy Gallery last week for the first "Mystery Science Theater 3000 Live" convention. Minneapolis police linked their arms holding back the teeming crowds clamoring for a glimpse of their favorite bots. Three fans were treated and released from the University of Minnesota Hospital, after suffering from extreme excitement and exhaustion.

Outside the club, shouts of, "Crow!" and "Servo!" and "Movie Sign!" intermingled with the exotic smells of big-buck perfume fragrances as fans, dressed to the nines, waited impatiently for the big limousines carrying their heroes to the club.

Inside the club lucky ticket holders waited impatiently stamping their feet and singing the "MST 3000" theme song over and over again. "I camped outside the ticket office for 48 hours!" exclaimed one front row fan, "It must of hit 40 below last night, but it was worth it!"

At the appointed hour, three stretch limos rolled down the cobblestones of Riverplace. "Their here!" shouted a fan, and the crowd surged the limits of the interlocked arms of Minneapolis' finest.

Crowd pleaser Crow leapt from the first car and was met by an ovation by his adoring fans. The spunky bot seemed nonplussed by the flash of paparazzi, as he amused his fans by "throkulating his spasmodic crofiscator in a penoric arch". (SG)

Emerging from the second car was Tom Servo, escorted by his trademarked bevy of beautiful babes.

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Mr. Servo tossed complimentary vials of mango juice to the adoring fans as he made his way onto the club. The third car delivered MST 3000 star, Joel Hodgson, escorted by the lovable Gypsy. The genteel robot drew oohs and ahhs with her sequinned gown designed exclusively for the event by Ed "Big Daddy" Roth. Mr. Hodgson was wearing his patented Laser Blazer with digital cod piece. (ED: see mom, or better yet, go to the Renaissance Festival, but only if you can get in for free.) Nearly unnoticed by the crowd was the Mad Scientist Mobile, piloted by Drs. Clayton Forrester and Lawrence Erhardt.

Who would have imagined that in just 8 short months the show's popularity would insure an immediate sell-out of the convention? Certainly not this reporter and therefore I was only able to hear about the convention inside second hand. The program was MC'd by MST 3000 producer, Jim Mallon, who showed clips from the original MST 3000 pilot and other highlights from the show. Then comedians Josh Weinstein, Trace Beaulieu, and Joel Hodgson himself, regaled the "Misties" with their comedy stylings. Fans also had an

The creative team behind MST 3000 Left to right: Alex Carr, Vince Rodriguez, Todd Ziegler, Jim Mallon (standing) Mr. Potato Head (held) Joel Hodgson, Josh Weinstein, Servo, Kevin Murphy, Trace Beaulieu, Crow (1/2) Not shown, that maven of make-up Faye Berkholder.

SAT' O' LOVE IN BLACK HOLE? P

June 1 marked the last transmission from the Satellite of Love, at least for now. "Hiatus! My aunt Fanny!", remarked a salty Tom Servo upon hearing the news that production was winding down at the end of the first season. Although there are many rumors floating about as to the show's sudden break, industry insiders confirm recent reports that Mr. Hodgson is leaning towards hosting the new Fox Network program: "Married With Robots". Joel, however, is not the only cast member who seems to have a case of roving eyes. A spokesperson for Crow confirmed the pesky robot is entertaining the idea of becoming assistant to Master Carpenter Norm Abrams, formally of the PBS show "This Old House", on his new show "The Yankee Craftsman". Says Crow: "I'm a good worker. I like to be around tools. And I can use my head as a hammer!"

Word out of the Servo camp has the macho bot playing alongside Jerry Lewis in the summer stock production of "Boing, Boing". "It looks like a winner!" Says Servo, "We're playing the Southern Florida dinner theater circuit and everything."

As to the fate of the series, Joel seems puzzled by the turn of

The tone of the evening was summed up by Mr. Hodgson who called it "a Misty Love-Fest!" And Mr. Hodgson promises an all-age Misty event later this summer.

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events. "We were delivering HUTS and PUTS by the trainload! I thought we could easily clear the top ten DMA/ADI. We certainly have repeatability sewn up. I thought we could go head to head with "The Golden Girls". Its sad. I look at those bots and I just don't know what to tell them. They're so fragile, so innocent. I don't know if they can handle this use-you-up-spit-you-out, show business life style".

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FIRST NEWS LETTER A HIT!

L2, SPACE

The debut issue of the Mystery Science Theater 3000 Satellite News, Formerly the Binding Polymer, drew applause and kudos (see Glossary) from the Mystery Science Theater fans and media pundits (see gloss) alike. "It (the Mystery Science Theater 3000 Satellite News, Formerly The Binding Polymer [MST 3000 SNFTP] [SG [see gloss.]]) was great", said one content MST 3000 FCM [SG]), "I can't wait for the next one (which, of course, is this ones {Editor's note.})."

The premiere edition's hard-hitting lead story gave readers an incisive and tantalizing overview of the MST 3000 SNFTP. The Pulitzer Prize winning-like story featured events centering around the long awaited first edition of the official MST 3000 SNFTP, the newsletter of the MST 3000 FC (SG).

As many of you may recall the first, collector's issue (which, by the way, is out of print [and therefore quite hard to get, unless of course, you happen to be a new member of the MST 3000 FC (in which case you'll be sent the first two installments of the MST 3000 SNFTP so we save a little postage [a hat tip to the USPMG (SG)]))). also profiled the reclusive, elusive shutterbug robot, Cambot, as the first offering of "Bot Talk", an in-depth, behind the scenes look

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at the robots who round out the cast of MST 3000. With a love advice column scribed by Tom Servo and a "Puzzles and Brain Teasers" section rounding out the MST 3000 SNFTBP, the first issue fulfilled the expectations of MST 3000 F (SG) everywhere. "Those of you who harbor clever ideas of getting extra copies of the first issue of MST 3000 SNFTBP by sending in for a new membership under a pseudonym (SG), don't bother. Servo says, "We can see right through that flimsy burnoose (SG), "Boy, what a view!"

GLOSSARY

Bernaise - a sauce, not to be confused with Burnoose or Burnouse (see "Flimsy Burnoose")

Flimsy - Unsubstantiated; thin; flimsy-like; like flimsy (Man!)

Flimsy Burnoose or Burnouse - A hooded cloak worn by Arabs, Not to be confused with the sauce (see Bernaise)

Kudies - Boy's germs or girl's germs. Not to be confused with Kudos.

MST 3000 F - Mystery Science Theater 3000 Fan or Fans
MST 3000 FC - Mystery Science Theater 3000 Fan Club
MST 3000 FCM - Mystery Science Theater 3000 Fan Club Member
MST 3000 SNFTBP - Mystery Science Theater 3000 Satellite News Formerly the Binding Polymer (MST 3000 SNFTBP) (SG)
Nom de Plum - Pseudonym
Pseudonym - Nom de Plum
Pundit - Scholar or smart guy
SG - See glossary
USPMG - United States Post Master General

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