

1: 8 Bizarre Facts About Rod Serling and "The Twilight Zone"™ | Mental Floss

Rodman Edward "Rod" Serling (December 25, - June 28,) was an American screenwriter, playwright, television producer, and narrator known for his live television dramas of the s and his science-fiction anthology TV series, The Twilight Zone.

His knee troubled him for years. Later, his wife became accustomed to the sound of him falling down the stairs when his knee buckled under his weight. He wrote, directed, and acted in many radio programs on campus, then around the state, as part of his work study. He wrote and directed the programs and acted in them when needed. He created the entire output for the "school year. With one exception an adaptation, all the writing that year was his original work. The radio program Dr. Christian had started an annual scriptwriting contest eight years earlier. Thousands of scripts were sent in annually, but very few could be produced. One of the other winners that day was Earl Hamner, Jr. Perhaps this is a baby you should try on some of the producers of television shows. Christian script aired on November 30 of that year. After selling the scripts, Serling had no further involvement with them. They were sold by Crosley to local stations across the United States. This idea was changed significantly, but was produced from October to February as Adventure Express, a drama about a girl and boy who travel by train with their uncle. Each week they found adventure in a new town and got involved with the local residents. During the production of these, he became acquainted with a voice actor, Jay Overholts, who later became a regular on The Twilight Zone. The minute you tie yourself down to a radio or TV station, you write around the clock. You rip out ideas, many of them irreplaceable. They go on and consequently can never go on again. It had aimed downward, had become cheap and unbelievable, and had willingly settled for second best. The first job he got out of school was as continuity writer at radio station WLW in Cincinnati. He worked there for over a year before he could free-lance. At that point, he was really working on television scripts. It was a very propitious time to be graduating from school and getting ready to find a profession. His duties included writing testimonial advertisements for dubious medical remedies and scripts for a comedy duo. He sent manuscripts to publishers and received forty rejection slips during these early years. His radio scripts received more rejections, so he began rewriting them for television. Whenever a script was rejected by one program, he would resubmit it to another, eventually finding a home for many in either radio or television. He continued to write for television [9] and eventually left WKRC to become a full-time freelance writer. He recalled, "Writing is a demanding profession and a selfish one. I succumbed to it. Here he made a living by writing for the live dramatic anthology shows that were prevalent at the time, including Kraft Television Theatre, Appointment with Adventure and Hallmark Hall of Fame. To Serling, it was just another script, and he missed the first live broadcast. He and his wife hired a babysitter for the night and told her "no one would call because we had just moved to town. Ed Begley, Everett Sloane and Richard Kiley in Patterns "Patterns" dramatized the power struggle between a veteran corporate boss running out of ideas and energy and the bright, young executive being groomed to take his place. Instead of firing the loyal employee and risk tarnishing his own reputation, the boss enlists him into a campaign to push aside his competition. Kraft said they were considering rebroadcasting "Patterns", unless the play or motion picture rights were sold first. Critics expressed concern that he was not living up to his promise and began to doubt he was able to recreate the quality of writing that "Patterns" had shown. When television was new, shows aired live, but as studios began to tape their shows, the business moved from the East Coast to the West Coast. Serling was often forced to change his scripts after corporate sponsors read them and found something they felt was too controversial. They were wary of anything they thought might make them look bad to consumers, so references to many contemporary social issues were omitted, as were references to anything that might compete commercially with a sponsor. For instance, the line "Got a match? Serling had to fight executive interference The story concerns a man who has vivid nightmares of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The man goes to a psychiatrist and, after the session, the twist ending a device which Serling became known for reveals the "patient" had died at Pearl Harbor, and the psychiatrist was the one actually having the vivid dreams. Several of these scripts were rewritten for later use on national network TV. He hired scriptwriters he respected, such

as Richard Matheson and Charles Beaumont. Serling drew on his own experience for many episodes, frequently about boxing, military life, and airplane pilots. The Twilight Zone incorporated his social views on racial relations, somewhat veiled in the science fiction and fantasy elements of the shows. Occasionally, the point was quite blunt, such as in the episode "I Am the Night" "Color Me Black", in which racism and hatred causes a dark cloud to form in the American South and spread across the world. Many Twilight Zone stories reflected his views on gender roles, featuring quick-thinking, resilient women as well as shrewish, nagging wives. The Twilight Zone aired for five seasons the first three presented half-hour episodes, the fourth hour-long episodes, and the fifth returned to the half-hour format. It won many TV and drama awards and drew critical acclaim for Serling and his co-workers. Though it had loyal fans, The Twilight Zone had only moderate ratings and was twice canceled and revived. After five years and episodes 92 written by Serling, he grew weary of the series. In 1962, he decided to not oppose its third and final cancellation. His wife later claimed he did this partly because he believed that his own production company, Cayuga Productions, would never recoup the production costs of the programs, which frequently went over budget. The Twilight Zone eventually resurfaced in the form of a film by Warner Bros. There have been two attempts to revive the TV series with mostly new scripts. It was telecast only once, on December 28, 1968, Mankiewicz, this was the film in which Peter Sellers gave his first performance after a series of near-fatal heart attacks in the wake of his marriage to Britt Ekland. Sellers portrayed a demagogue in an apocalyptic Christmas. Sterling Hayden, who costarred with Sellers in Dr. Strangelove earlier that year, was also featured. Set in a dimly lit museum after hours, the pilot film featured Serling as on-camera host playing the curator, who introduced three tales of the macabre, unveiling canvases that would appear in the subsequent story segments. Its brief first season consisting of only six episodes was rotated with three other shows airing in the same time slot; this wheel show was titled Four in One. The series generally focused more on horror and suspense than The Twilight Zone did. On the insistence of the producer Jack Laird, Night Gallery also began including brief comedic "blackout" sketches during its second season, which Serling greatly disdained. By season three, however, many of his contributions were being rejected or heavily altered. NBC later combined episodes of the short-lived paranormal series The Sixth Sense with Night Gallery, in order to increase the number of episodes available in syndication. CBS asked Serling to have more action and less character interaction. He refused to comply, even though the show had received poor reviews and low ratings. Serling appeared more-or-less as a version of himself but named "Mr. Zone" in a comedic bit on The Jack Benny Program; he appears in an episode of the short-lived sitcom Ichabod and Me in the role of Eugene Hollinfield; and in an episode of the crime drama Ironside titled "Bubble, Bubble, Toil, and Murder" which also featured a young Jodie Foster, in which he plays a small role as the proprietor of an occult magic shop. Prose[edit] Writing prose was difficult for Serling. Several of his short stories were rewrites of scripts which had already been produced, but he also wrote original stories. He looked to the three dozen prose pieces Serling had published as a basis for literary analysis. The scripts utilize visual images to show the locations, what the characters look like and emotions they are experiencing; in the short story, Serling fleshed these out with strong nuances, inner dialogue and elaborate memories that are not easily translated to the screen. Each is successful in its medium, and each includes pieces that are not found in the others. The drama anthology series featured tales of mystery, adventure and suspense, airing in stereo for two seasons. Serling hosted the program and wrote some of the scripts. Originally placed into syndication on September 3, 1957, the series was picked up by the Mutual Broadcasting System in December of that year. The original format featured five-part dramas broadcast Monday through Friday, with the story coming to a conclusion on Friday. Including commercials, each part was approximately 30 minutes long. Mutual affiliates could broadcast the series in any time slot that they wished. In 1962, still airing five days a week, the program changed to a full story in a single minute installment with the same actor starring throughout the week in all five programs. That format was employed from late April to the end of the series on July 26, 1963. Fantasy Park was a hour-long rock concert aired by nearly stations over Labor Day weekend in 1963. It was also completely imaginary, a "theatre-of-the-mind for the 70s", as producer Beau Weaver put it, using record albums recorded live in concert, plus crowd noise and other sound effects. Stations who aired the special were reportedly inundated by callers demanding to know how to get to

the nonexistent concert. KNUS general manager Bart McLendon recruited Serling his old teacher to record the host segments, bumpers and custom promos and television spots. Serling himself wrote the disclaimers, which aired each hour: When he was not writing, promoting, or producing his work, he often spoke on college campuses around the country. In the political climate of the s, he often felt a stronger connection to the older students in his evening classes. Desiring to take a break and clear his mind, he took a one-year teaching job as writer in residence at Antioch College, Ohio. He taught classes in the 1963 school year on writing and drama and a survey course covering the "social and historical implications of the media.

2: Rod Serling Memorial Foundation

Rod Serling () was one of the most creative and uncompromising writers for television, earning accolades in the s for such teleplays as "Requiem for a Heavyweight," "Patterns," and.

Married - until his death Relations: Serling, also a writer became a novelist. He would even act them out in front of everybody, like a performer. This would later prove prophetic in his future. During these years, Rod began to express his interest in writing and he eventually became editor of the high school newspaper. Regarding this, he remarked in an interview, "it was the first time in my life that I became aware of religious difference. He attempted to major involved in physical education or sports in some way, but after winning an award for something he wrote--he switched primarily creative writing. Military service Rod Serling served as a U. He was seriously wounded in the wrist and knee during combat in the province of Leyte [3] in the Philippines and was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star. Due to his wartime experiences, Serling suffered from nightmares and flashbacks. During his service in World War II , he watched as his best friend was crushed to death by a heavy supply crate dropped by a parachute onto the field. He was a noted boxer during his military days. He met his future wife, Carol Kramer , during his first year at the college and the two were married in an ecumenical service at the Antioch chapel on July 31 , He earned his B. This would be his day job for the next two years, while spending his nights writing scripts at his kitchen table. Both men would trace their careers through the WLW broadcasting franchise to eventually find homes at CBS , and both would be honored for weaving pivotal social themes into their scripts. The program was a precursor to The Twilight Zone , as was one of the scripts: Requiem for a Heavyweight. By , he decided that he was making enough money from his moonlighting as a scriptwriter , that he quit WLW and decided to move to the New York area to be a full-time writer. To Serling, it was just another script, and he missed the first live airing. Patterns dramatized the power struggle between a corporate boss, an old hand running out of ideas and energy, and a bright young executive being groomed to take his place. It was a huge hit, and was re-aired the following week, which was nearly unprecedented at the time. The script established Serling as a rarity: Requiem, like Patterns, was honored as a milestone in television drama. Paley called the control room to tell the crew that the show had advanced TV by 10 years. The corporate sponsors, however, would not see things the same way, demanding editorial oversight to avoid having their products associated with any subject that may be perceived as negative. In an interview, Mr. Serling expressed his frustration: Serling fought hard for creative control, hiring writers he respected such as Richard Matheson and Charles Beaumont and launched himself into weekly television. He stated in an interview that the science fiction format would not be controversial and would escape censorship unlike the earlier Playhouse In reality the show gave him the opportunity to communicate social messages in a more veiled context. Sere blunt, as in the episode " I Am The Night-Color Me Black ", where racism and hatred causes a dark cloud to form in the American South before eventually spreading elsewhere. Serling was also progressive on matters of gender, with many stories featuring quick-thinking, resilient women, although he also wrote stories featuring shrewish, nagging wives. The show lasted five seasons four using a half-hour format, with one half-season using an hour-long format , winning awards and critical acclaim for Serling and his staff. While having a loyal fan base, the program never had huge ratings and was twice canceled, only to be revived. After five years and episodes, 92 of them written by Serling himself, he wearied of the show. In , he decided to let the third cancellation be final. Serling sold his rights to the series to CBS. His wife later claimed that he did this partly because he believed the studio would never recoup the cost of the show, which frequently went over budget. This proved to be a costly mistake. It was telecast only once, December 28 , , on ABC. The explicit psychological and existensial nature of the show and its scarcity of violence was unique for Westerns of the time and this resulted in criticism from viewers, critics, and the network alike. And I think that from day one we had a problem with the network. Set in a dimly lit museum, the pilot film featured Serling as on-camera host introducing three tales of the macabre, unveiling canvases that would appear in the subsequent story segments its brief first season rotated as one spoke of a four-series programming wheel titled Four in One , focused more on gothic horror and the occult

than did *The Twilight Zone*. Serling, no longer wanting the burden of an executive position, sidestepped an offer to retain creative control of content—a decision he would come to regret. By season three however, Serling began to see many of his script contributions rejected. With his complaints ignored, the disgruntled host dismissed the show as "Mannix in a cemetery". *Night Gallery* lasted until Fiction Serling wrote a number of short story adaptations of his own *Twilight Zone* teleplays, which were collected into three volumes of *Twilight Zone stories*, , , two of *Night Gallery* stories , , and a collection of three novellas, *The Season to be Wary*. Two of the novellas in *The Season to be Wary* were later adapted into episodes of the *Night Gallery* pilot movie. Serling also released a collection of teleplays, *Patterns*, in He even did so in cooperation with the State Department, "extolling the virtues of television and U. Historically, during times of greatest stress, during periods of greatest controversy, the mass media are the first to be attacked, the first to be muzzled, and also unhappily-historically and traditionally—the first to fold up their tent and look the other way. He supported these organizations and others through speaking engagements and with financial contributions. His social activism also was apparent in the form of letters to newspaper editors. One notable exchange took place between Rod and Dr. Max Rafferty, a religious conservative educator, who had a weekly column in the *Los Angeles Times*. In it he rebuked Dr. Rafferty with his words, "The good doctor had best take his Bible in hand and discover what is the compassion of faith, the selflessness of worship and the charity of Christ. It was directed by James Burrows. Although there were plans to bring the show to Broadway, that never happened. It failed to find a large audience due to its radio serial format and lack of promotion. He had already had experience in this role, after accepting an one year teaching position at Antioch college in At Antioch he taught writing, drama, and a survey course about the "social and historical implications of the media. Serling did voiceovers for various projects. He narrated documentaries featuring French undersea explorer Jacques-Yves Cousteau and uncredited performed the narration for the beginning of the Brian De Palma film *Phantom of the Paradise*. Death In , Serling had two severe heart attacks, the first occurring in May while mowing the lawn at the Interlaken lake house. He had a third heart attack during the operation and died the following day, at the age of The surgeons said his artery was disintegrating due to stress, years of heavy smoking, caffeine and alcohol—to say nothing of family history. Legacy Rod Serling has become a pop culture icon, turning up in various artistic mediums After his death, several Serling scripts were produced. In , J. Legacy in television When casting for the role of the shady Mr. Morden for the television series *Babylon 5*, creator J. Canadian progressive rock music trio Rush dedicated their album *Caress of Steel* to the memory of Rod Serling. Serling and his work. On "Threatened", a track from his album *Invincible*, pop icon Michael Jackson used samples of Rod Serling narrations from *The Twilight Zone* as introduction and conclusion to the song, as well as a montage of clips to make Serling rap in the middle section of the tune. Gaming On April 5 , , Midway introduced *The Twilight Zone* pinball machine which featured a backglass portrait of Serling surrounded by his creations. The ride places guests into a fabricated episode of *The Twilight Zone*, where they are introduced to the story by Rod Serling. The story is that at the height of the Hollywood golden age, a famous landmark hotel holding a gala event is struck by lightning during a thunderstorm. Passenger elevators carrying 5 guests mysteriously vanish after plummeting 13 stories, and the tower has stood derelict since that fateful night. Guests board "freight elevators" that carry them upwards and then laterally into the free fall shaft, where they visit the " Fifth Dimension " room which references the opening TV title sequence. The ride differs in aspects of pacing and tone, generally considered much campier, but Serling is part of the attraction nonetheless. All three editions of the ride feature props from and references to various "*The Twilight Zone*" episodes. Tokyo DisneySea has their own version of the Tower of Terror, however the "backstory" departs from the other versions, erasing all ties to "*The Twilight Zone*" including any reference, mention, or appearance of Serling. Influence on Other Writers J. I discovered my house is feet from where he lived.

3: Rod Serling - IMDb

Once, when asked what Rod Serling's legacy should be, the revered science fiction and horror writer Richard Matheson, who wrote several scripts for Serling's "The Twilight Zone," hoped it.

Bradbury Though Serling was contracted to write most of the scripts for Zone during its five-year run from to , it was impossible to tackle every single episode. At first, the multiple-time Emmy winner wanted to give new writers a chance to break into the business. But when the show received over 14, submissions â€”most of them either unread or deemed unsuitableâ€”he learned to depend on authors like Richard Matheson, Charles Beaumont, and George Clayton Johnson for story springboards or full scripts. Serling also sought out the talents of sci-fi giants like Arthur C. Clarke and Ray Bradbury. Clarke was unavailable, but Bradbury wrote several scripts, only one of which made it to air: No dubbing was needed: The year prior, it had won an Oscar for Best Short Subject. Inevitably, Shatner wigs out when he sees a gremlin on the wing tearing the guts out of the engine, and is unable to convince his wife or attendants of the danger. The episode was shot in an empty water tank, with the plane roughly thirty feet off the ground. As Donner looked on, the two grappled before throwing a Shatner-sized dummy that crashed to the concrete below. Abrams wanted something bolder than a bad Serling imitation. For a installment of his twentysomething drama Felicity, Abrams filmed an episode that put the cast in a dreamscape of paranormal events. Critics praised the effort. In it, a man sees a psychiatrist with recurring nightmares where he tries to warn others of an impending attack on Pearl Harbor; at the climax, he disappears, with the doctor being told he died during the attack some 15 years prior. After the hourlong drama unfolded, Arnaz came out to address the audience directly, offering his take on the ambiguous ending. Even in a humdrum existence, she had it all along. Viewers did not embrace the social enforcement: It was off-limits to the rest of the writing team. Chalk it up to a mystery worthy of The Twilight Zone.

4: Why Rod Serling's "He's Alive" is THE TWILIGHT ZONE's Most Important Episode - www.enganchecub.com

The daughter of "Twilight Zone" creator, Rod Serling, has something to say about that Brett Kavanaugh mentioning her father's icon show. The daughter of "Twilight Zone" creator, Rod Serling, has.

This is the dimension of imagination. Rod Serling tried to be as mysterious as his plots in each episode of the Twilight Zone, but when he died in 1975, his true self was revealed. His father was a secretary and an inventor. However, he later became a grocer and butcher while his mother was a homemaker. He grew up being called the class clown in elementary school. He became a paratrooper in the Pacific theatre. After coming back from war, he had injuries, a Purple Heart, and emotional scarring. He later moved to television and became a freelance writer. In 1951, he moved to New York to have more opportunities to get his work published. He fought against censorship and tried to discuss issues like racism and war. The very idea of something like that being aired made TV executives hesitant. After this success, Serling received many offers to write scripts and novels biography. He sold his old scripts before becoming more creative in his work. This started to prove his credibility. This is when he decided to produce his own show. In 1959, the first episode of Twilight Zone aired. It ran for five successful seasons, and was made up of topics like racial discrimination, sexism, and other social stigmas. The story was about a small-minded bank teller who loved books. However, he lived in a world where he was prevented from reading them. The episode had themes of anti-intellectualism and aloneness vs loneliness. He soon became distressed with interference and stopped writing for the show after three seasons. It was a hour long rock concert. It was aired by more than radio channels all over America. Serling hosted segments, bumpers, and custom promos PBS. Serling suffered a heart attack in 1975. Two days after surgery he died at the age of 54. Serling remains influential because his main themes of his work went against social stigmas. His themes were anti-war activism, racial equality, and his female characters were always projected as strong and resilient Biography.

5: The Twilight Zone (TV series) - Wikipedia

Though it's been more than 50 years since it left the air, Rod Serling's The Twilight Zone continues to be a benchmark for all the science fiction and fantasy series that have followed. Shows.

Director, Marketing and Creative Services: Jeffrey Nickora Accounting Mgr.: Chris Grossman Circulation Director: Janice Graham Western Newsstand Consultant: Harry Sommer Advertising Manager: Marina Despotakis Advertising Representatives: Books by Theodore Sturgeon --Other Dimensions: Bleiler, and Edward Bryant. Clair has there been so deft and unpredictable a storyteller. In quality her stories vary from excellent all the way down to good. I rather liked the stories; I found the poetry to be undisciplined. You have a good book here, with a good editor; long may they wave. I have a novel going for the first time in more than twenty years ; the working title is Star Anguish. I do hope you will like it. Sturgeon died on May 8, It is important to remember that a feature-length animated film for adult audiences was a relatively recent development in the U. Wilson feels that fantasy and animation should go well together but rarely does, even in the coveted Disney films, though he does hold these as the standard for success. A radically alternative film like Heavy Metal had virtually no chance of measuring up to that standard. Heavy Metal is by no means a perfect film, or even an entirely successful one, but it is not unreasonable to point to Heavy Metal as the beginnings of the mature animated film in the U. It is a surprisingly dismissive review from Wilson, himself a talented, respected, and alternative cartoonist. Wilson concludes his review in this way: It could have been a classic of its kind and an inspiration to animators of the future. As it is, the thing is only distasteful. Lovecraft, who, as a subject, takes up a large portion of the interview. Long was enormously prolific but it may surprise readers to learn that he wrote far more SF than weird fiction. B -This is a playful and enjoyable story from Godwin which works upon the established tropes of the deal-with-the-devil story to produce a tale of redemption and honest truth about oneself. Instead, he finds himself saving the titular character, a physically unattractive outcast, from suicide once he discovers her amazing singing voice. C -Robert Sheckley returns to the pages of the magazine with this short and clever story. Sheckley is remembered for his witty, wry short stories and this one is typical of his output if a bit less effective than his best. Tales of Mathematical Wonder, ed Rudy Rucker B -Bretnor , born in Russia as Alfred Reginald Bretnor, fuses the ordinary tale of a lonely working-class woman with the Greek myth of Semele, mother of Dionysus and mate of Zeus who, in some versions of the legends, was consumed in fire after mating with the god. Carol Serling writes in a brief foreword: And I suggest that the story was not only addressed to the men of the th, but to all of us who approach this holiday season with hope and faith in the future. B -Connie Willis , even at this early stage of her career, is so very talented, intelligent, and ambitious that her fiction is instantly engaging even if the reader finishes the story not quite satisfied with how the pieces eventually came together. Such is the case with this story which has the texture of a dream and the seriousness of vision displayed by the best SF of the period. Many consider Willis the finest SF novelist of the last thirty years. It is nice to see her appearance with an early story in the pages of TZ. Ghost Story by Robert Martin Illustrated with stills from the film. Despite its excellent cast of veteran actors and still-impressive makeup effects by Dick Smith, the film is regarded as a novelty at best and a butchering of a seminal novel in the genre at worst. Either way, this is a thorough rundown of the production of the film from veteran genre journalist, and Fangoria editor, "Uncle" Bob Martin. The article includes interview snippets with Straub, members of the cast, the director, and the producer, all framed by full-color images from the film. Sheridan LeFanu by Mike Ashley "Introducing the shy, reclusive Dubliner whose imagination was haunted by crawling hands, malevolent monkeys, and vampire temptresses. Sheridan LeFanu, born in Dublin , is more essential than most. Many consider him to be the European equivalent of Edgar Allan Poe in terms of influence and ingenuity. LeFanu created the vampire thriller as we know it and largely built the foundation upon which the English ghost story was built. Though LeFanu and Poe have much in common, LeFanu was more willing to engage the supernatural to achieve his effects. This is essential reading for fans of classic supernatural fiction. B -This tale will strike readers as a typical haunted house tale, related in a straight-forward way with all the hallmarks of the genre. The two students are harassed

in a series of encounters with the "Hanging Judge" during the late hours of the night between sleeping and wakefulness. After independently suffering for a time, the students come together with twin tales of ghostly encounters and decide to immediately leave. It is suggested that the haunting continues as the narrator relates the misfortunes of those who later took up residency in the home. It was not collected until M. Broeck Steadman "A tale of age and everlasting youth, of the timelessness of newly fallen snow. C -This will be an engaging tale for TZ fans for no other reason than it resembles so many TZ stories about age and youthfulness, of going back in time, and the ways in which memory and nostalgia can capture the mind. In this way it will recall for the reader such TZ episodes as "Walking Distance," "Static," and "Kick the Can," all of which concern themselves with people who have passed the age of youthfulness and long to return to the simpler time of their younger days. The story is really a vignette and so must achieve in atmosphere what it lacks the length to achieve in narrative force. The story generally succeeds in doing so, including an unnerving sequence in which the father seems to lose memory of his adult life for a few moments before his young son can pull him back into the here and now. The story has not been reprinted since its appearance in TZ and Vic Johnson seems to have begun and ended his SF writing with the tale. C -This is an interesting and, one feels, a personal tale from the veteran writer though it is not as moving as Long intended it to be. The setup is fascinating: Later in the night the narrator is awakened to small sounds in the house and encounters a beautiful girl child reaching for the driftwood doll kept on a high mantle. The child flees and is bodily taken away down the beach by two adult figures. The story ends with unconvincing hopefulness in which the narrator and his wife are inspired by their encounter with the "others" to try and have a child of their own. The Twilight Zone committed itself to a dreadful example of the story type with the fifth season episode, "Probe 7 - Over and Out. The story also plays into the larger subgenre of religious SF which was very much in vogue at the time this story appeared as compared to its relative scarcity today. Part Ten by Marc Scott Zicree -Zicree, author of The Twilight Zone Companion, which recently saw release of an expanded 3rd edition, returns with his episode guide to the original series. Zicree covers the following episodes in this installment, all of which we have covered here in the Vortex:

6: Rod Serling: Who Was He? | The Daily Roar

With those words, Rod Serling closed one of the most effective episodes from the spotty fourth season of his signature television series THE TWILIGHT ZONE. It is also one of the most important and.

Harry Sommer Advertising Manager: Rachel Britapaja Advertising Production Manager: Books by Theodore Sturgeon --Other Dimensions: Screen by Gahan Wilson --John Saul: Klein --In the Twilight Zone: D Klein -Like Carol Serling in the previous issue, Klein uses his editorial space to discuss the possibility of a letters column which he says will likely appear and eventually does if the readers demand it. However, Klein reiterates that the magazine is first and foremost a fiction magazine and he is reluctant to cut back on the pages dedicated to fiction to make room for a letters column since he receives so many excellent story submissions each month. The readership of the magazine is Books by Theodore Sturgeon -Without a standout title to highlight this month Sturgeon reverts to his standard method of providing a wide overview of new SF books. He proceeds to admonish the film for its derivative nature, its unfairness in relation to the fantasy elements, and even comments upon what he considers the androgynous appearance of the lead actress. Saul continued with a string of modern Gothics centering on familial secrets, haunted towns, and children with paranormal abilities. Saul is prolific and has proven to have true lasting power in the market with all of his novels reaching the bestseller lists. Saul is very much like the late V. Andrews in this way. But Saul is simply too likeable a guy and his self-deprecating manner manages to illustrate that Saul takes his work seriously in the only way that matters: He has little care or concern for his literary reputation outside of pleasing his readers. At the time of the interview Saul was promoting his fifth title: *When the Wind Blow* The fact that the magazine is interviewing him at this early stage proves that Saul was making a noticeable impact on the genre very early in his career. In recent years, Saul has taken to driving an RV around the country seeking inspiration for new thrillers in out-of-the-way locations. He talks briefly about his literary influences and his lifelong love of reading. I can recommend this interview simply because Saul rarely gets the space afforded to the Kings, Straubs, and Barkers of the world. *The ice ran red with blood.* B -Tanith Lee returns to the pages of the magazine with this gem of dark fantasy written in the deceptively simple, poetic prose of a fable. Lee was a hugely prolific author of novels and short stories, mostly in the fantasy, horror, and science fiction genres. Her star rose quickly in the s through a series of fantasy novels for DAW books and her success continued into the s and s writing dark fantasy and horror novels, including those published under the highly regarded Dell Abyss horror imprint. Lee stated in one of her final interviews that she still wrote every day despite being unable to place much of the work, resulting in a desk full of unpublished manuscripts left behind at her death in But it certainly had a sense of humor! C -This very slight tale from Thomas M. Hugely talented, Disch wrote novels, short stories, essays, critical reviews, opera librettos, plays, poetry, and books for children. He was also the author of the all-ages work *The Brave Little Toaster* , later turned into a successful animated film. He was the recipient of the Hugo and Ditmar Awards, among others. Disch took his own life on Independence Day, after suffering a series of personal catastrophes. C -This one is played strictly for laughs and only marginally successful at that. The title refers to the developer of the Heimlich maneuver and his warning against consuming peanut butter directly from the jar rather than on a cracker or piece of bread. Peanut butter which gets lodged in the throat without being on a cracker or piece of bread cannot be expelled by using the Heimlich maneuver. B -Clark Howard is well-known for his mystery fiction but has, on occasion, contributed a ghost or horror story to an anthology or magazine. I personally enjoy these type stories even though the ending of this one is fairly obvious to those well-read in the genre. B -This one was a treat: Melissa Mia Hall was known for her SF short fiction, for editing the anthology *Wild Women*, and for her work as a books reviewer. She also a published poet and frequent essayist. Hall passed away in under terrible circumstances after she succumbed to the lingering effects of a heart attack which occurred when she tried to lift her dog from the floor. Hall could not afford health insurance so did not seek medical attention when her symptoms worsened. Hall was loved in the horror and SF community for her outreach work and her work highlighting authors, conventions, and publishing trends. He is ambushed by the leader of a rival clan but survives the

ordeal due to some ghostly assistance. This profile describes how John Carpenter and Debra Hill, director and producer on the first film, respectively, were coaxed into returning to write and produce this sequel after a court battle with producer Irwin Yablans, who was determined to make a sequel with or without the participation of Carpenter and Hill. Carpenter and Hill did not want to make a sequel and have not participated in any of the later installments in the franchise with the exception of the upcoming reboot from Blumhouse Productions. This feature also covers their process in developing a logical narrative arc extending from the first film and the cast of characters are briefly profiled. A very old, mute woman is outside the house and indicates that she has locked herself out. The man is induced to climb through a window only to discover the inside of the house is a trap filled with gruesome horrors. It is far and away the best story in the issue and possibly the best or at least most effective story published thus far in the magazine. As horror fiction became increasingly popular and increasingly graphic, Klein was quick to display this trend in the pages of the magazine. This was also the primary reason for establishing the companion magazine *Night Cry*, which was unabashedly horror in tone. One of the most important, and delicate, lines the magazine walked was to pay homage to the classic television series without becoming mired in the conventions of that time period. Schow, John Skipp, and Craig Spector, the leading lights of the movement. The story saw a powerful graphic adaptation by Michael Zulli in the adult comic *Taboo*, which was apparently one reason why the publication was and perhaps still is liable to be seized by British Customs. Jack Hunter, , *Shudder Again* ed. Michele Slung, , *Hot Blood* ed. With this final installment he continues to present his ideas for the reasons behind the reading and enjoyment of supernatural literature and the ways in which this type literature has infiltrated the wider cultural traditions of England and America. These include but are not limited to: The essay in its entirety is worth reading both for those well-versed in the classic ghost story and those just discovering this rich tradition. This final installment, like the previous installments, is accompanied by an engaging array of vintage illustrations. B -This story was enjoyable due to the level of characterization Brantingham is able to lend the protagonist in so short a space. The story concerns an unmarried, middle-aged woman who is struggling at work and at home. She has no real friends and lives across the hall from what appears to be a disgusting old man but who may in reality be a beautiful young man kept young and beautiful due to a magical portal within his apartment. Klein describes Brantingham this way in his editorial: F -This story, the longest in the issue, is ambitious but ultimately unsuccessful. Schmidt is a talented writer and an even more talented editor but this story does not display the qualities of his talent. It concerns a man who loses his family in a house fire. In a healing effort he takes a trip to Alaska. There he finds a squirrel-like extraterrestrial who crash-landed on earth along with several other now-deceased rodent-like aliens. The man decides to take the alien home and fights off a pack of wolves to do so. All of this in a story twice as long as it should have been. Incredibly, Schmidt wrote a novel-length sequel, also titled *Tweedlioop*, published by Tor in Schmidt was the longtime editor of *Analog Science Fiction and Fact* as well as an accomplished book anthologist. He has been writing fiction professionally since the late s and continues to produce the occasional novel and short story to this day. A ghostly revenge ensues. The teleplay is accompanied by stills from the episode. We awarded the episode a B very good grade and Brian unearthed some fascinating historical background on the episode, including its connection to a very good Rod Serling-penned episode of *Night Gallery*, so revisit our review here. Lansdale, Jasper Witko, John C.

7: The Twilight Zone Vortex: Reading Rod Serling's The Twilight Zone Magazine, Part 8

Created by Rod Serling. With Rod Serling, Robert McCord, Jay Overholts, Vaughn Taylor. Ordinary people find themselves in extraordinarily astounding situations, which they each try to solve in a remarkable manner.

The Twilight Zone TV series season 1 There is a fifth dimension, beyond that which is known to man. It is a dimension as vast as space and as timeless as infinity. This is the dimension of imagination. It is an area which we call The Twilight Zone. Daily Variety ranked it with "the best that has ever been accomplished in half-hour filmed television" and the New York Herald Tribune found the show to be "certainly the best and most original anthology series of the year". CBS was banking on a rating of at least 21 or 22, but its initial numbers were much worse. Denton on Doomsday " earned a Still, the show attracted a large enough audience to survive a brief hiatus in November, after which it finally surpassed its competition on ABC and NBC and convinced its sponsors General Foods and Kimberly-Clark to stay on until the end of the season. These three were responsible for of the episodes in the series. Additionally, with one exception " A World of His Own " , Serling never appeared on camera during any first-season episode as he would in future seasons , and was present only as a voice-over narrator. These promo spots were unseen for several decades after their initial airings; while many have been released in the DVD and Blu-ray releases of The Twilight Zone, a few are lost completely and some survive only as audio tracks; however, they are all available through CBS All Access when watching the full episodes. Some first-season episodes were available for decades only in a version with a pasted-on second-season opening. These "re-themed" episodes were prepared for airing in the summer of as summer repeats; the producers wanted to have a consistent opening for the show every week. The first season openings for these episodes have since been restored to recent DVD and Blu-ray reissues. Emmys were won by Serling his fifth for dramatic writing and by director of photography George T. Clemens and, for the second year in a row, the series won the Hugo Award for best dramatic presentation. The total number of new episodes was projected at twenty-nine, more than half of which, sixteen, had already been filmed by November In addition, videotape was a relatively primitive medium in the early s; the editing of tape was next to impossible. Each of the episodes was therefore "camera-cut" as in live TV"on a studio sound stage, using a total of four cameras. The requisite multi-camera setup of the videotape experiment made location shooting difficult, severely limiting the potential scope of the story-lines. The experiment was not attempted again. Kinescope versions of the video taped episodes were rerun in syndication. Sponsors for this season included Chesterfield, Bufferin tablets, and Pepsi-Cola. By the end of the season, the series had reached over episodes. The Twilight Zone received two Emmy nominations for cinematography and art design , but was awarded neither. It again received the Hugo Award for "Best Dramatic Presentation", making it the only three-time recipient until it was tied by Doctor Who in In the confusion that followed this apparent cancellation, producer Buck Houghton left the series for a position at Four Star Productions. Serling meanwhile accepted a teaching post at Antioch College , his alma mater. Season 4 [edit] Main article: Beyond it is another dimension: In order to fill the Fair Exchange time slot each episode had to be expanded to an hour, an idea which did not sit well with the production crew. Viewers could watch fifteen minutes without knowing whether they were in a Twilight Zone or Desilu Playhouse," Serling responded. Herbert Hirschman was hired to replace long-time producer Buck Houghton. His second task was to find and produce quality scripts. Sponsors included Johnson and Johnson. This season of Twilight Zone once again turned to the reliable trio of Serling, Matheson and Beaumont. Additional scripts were commissioned from Earl Hamner, Jr. With five episodes left in the season, Hirschman received an offer to work on a new NBC series called Espionage and was replaced by Bert Granet , who had previously produced "The Time Element". There was an Emmy nomination for cinematography, and a nomination for the Hugo Award. Season 5 "64 [edit] Main article: The Twilight Zone TV series season 5 Serling later claimed, "I was writing so much, I felt I had begun to lose my perspective on what was good and what was bad". By the end of this final season, he had contributed 92 scripts in five years. The show returned to its half-hour format. Beaumont was now out of the picture almost entirely, contributing scripts only through the ghostwriters Jerry Sohl and John Tomerlin, and after producing

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only 13 episodes, Bert Granet left and was replaced by William Froug "with whom Serling had worked on Playhouse William Shatner in " Nightmare at 20, Feet. Even under these conditions, several episodes were produced that are well remembered, including " Nightmare at 20, Feet ," " A Kind of a Stopwatch , " The Masks " and " Living Doll. But Serling countered by telling the Daily Variety that he had "decided to cancel the network". ABC showed interest in bringing the show over to their network under the new name Witches, Warlocks and Werewolves, but Serling was not impressed.

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Rod Serling, Writer: The Twilight Zone. John Phillips is the name used by longtime television and film writer Rod Serling when he asked that his real name be removed as the writer of the pilot episode of the series "The New People" in

9: The Twilight Zone (TV Series " - IMDb

The Twilight Zone needs a narrator, and who better than Jordan Peele? CBS Jordan Peele isn't trying to be Rod Serling, but he might step into the legendary Twilight Zone narrator's role.

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