
Subject: Moonlight Mile

Posted by [T987654321](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2017 09:31:07 GMT

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2007 NR Rated NR 1 season

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Very recommended.

Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile

Posted by [Aje.RavenStar](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2017 11:33:35 GMT

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On 12/15/2017 3:31 AM, T987654321 wrote:

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Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile

Posted by [T987654321](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2017 19:33:00 GMT

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Never heard of it.

Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile

Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2017 20:48:38 GMT

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Originally posted by: Bobbie Sellers

On 12/15/2017 11:33 AM, T987654321 wrote:

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>> Have you seen PlanetES also?

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> Never heard of it.

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Very fine and realistic SF anime about
collecting space garbage.

bliss

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bliss dash SF 4 ever at dslextreme dot com

Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile

Posted by [Chris Buckley](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2017 21:19:49 GMT

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On 2017-12-15, T987654321 <qwrtz123@gmail.com> wrote:

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As one of the good online reviews of [_Moonlight Mile_](#) says: "This is one of the few Space Exploration based animes out there, A lot of people will come into this show expecting Planetes. If you are, you

will be sorely dissapointed."

Planetes is the examplar of space exploration shows. It does a great job at capturing all the variety and the pluses and minuses of being bitten by the space exploration "bug". Great characterization and great attention to details (strong interaction with NASA during its making).

They are different sorts of shows. _Moonlight Mile_ does not really try to have a realistic plot; it's more entertainment oriented. The main characters couldn't really become astronauts; there are way too many strikes against them and too much luck involved.

Of course, if you are really interested in realism in becoming astronauts, then _Space Brothers_ is the anime for you. A very detailed look at all the training involved. The story is much slower but I would recommend it as a gift if you have any nieces or nephews that dream of becoming an astronaut.

My personal ranking (out of 10) gives a 7 to _Moonlight Mile_, an 8 to _Space Brothers_, and a 10 to _Planetes_.

Thanks for bringing _Moonlight Mile_ up. It doesn't get mentioned as much as it deserves (at least to those people interested in space exploration!)

Chris

Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile
Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 16 Dec 2017 18:33:10 GMT
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Originally posted by: Jack Bohn

Where would you place Rocket Girls? I've not seen the anime, but I read the book.

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-Jack

Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile
Posted by [Chris Buckley](#) on Sun, 17 Dec 2017 00:38:23 GMT
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On 2017-12-16, Jack Bohn <jack.bohn64@gmail.com> wrote:
> Where would you place Rocket Girls? I've not seen the anime, but I read the book.
>

I'm in the same situation. I've read the two novels that have been published in English (there's an English sequel called *Rocket Girls: The Last Planet*, and evidently a total of 4 novels in Japanese), but haven't seen the anime. The books attempt to be somewhat grounded in reality; I don't know how well that carried over to the anime.

Chris

Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile
Posted by [Sea Wasp \(Ryk E. Spoo\)](#) on Sun, 17 Dec 2017 03:34:26 GMT
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On 12/16/17 1:33 PM, Jack Bohn wrote:
> Where would you place Rocket Girls? I've not seen the anime, but I read the book.
>

Aside from some very minor discussion of things that COULD be supernatural (or not), it's very much hard SF.

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Sea Wasp

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Subject: Re: Moonlight Mile
Posted by [T987654321](#) on Sun, 17 Dec 2017 19:05:40 GMT
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On Friday, December 15, 2017 at 11:33:04 AM UTC-8, T987654321 wrote:
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>> Have you seen PlanetES also?
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> Never heard of it.

Turns out I had, or at least it's in my Netflix saved list.
