
Subject: [NEWS] Rian Johnson says pandering to fans is a 'mistake'

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Rian Johnson further proves he has no understanding of the word "franchise".

A franchise is a set (movies, TV shows, books, etc.) that fits together in a way that creates a single overall entity. It is NOT ill-fitting garbage created by some over-egoed moron who thinks he knows better, nor is it as JarJar Abrams is doing by lazily copy-cattng what George Lucas has already done.

From Variety.com ...

'Star Wars: The Last Jedi' Director Rian Johnson
Says Pandering to Fans Is a 'Mistake'

As the last movie in the Skywalker saga prepares to hit theaters, Rian Johnson, who directed the divisive "Star Wars: The Last Jedi," is speaking out about his "creative process" and why he isn't trying to pander to fans.

"I think approaching any creative process with [making fandoms happy] would be a mistake that would lead to probably the exact opposite result," Johnson said during a recent interview on the "Swing & Mrs." podcast on Radio.com. "Even my experience as a fan, you know, if I'm coming into something, even if it's something that I think I want, if I see exactly what I think I want on the screen, it's like 'oh, okay.' It might make me smile and make me feel neutral about the thing and I won't really think about it afterwards, but that's not really going to satisfy me."

J.J. Abrams' "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" debuts this Friday, and may serve to be as controversial as its predecessor. It's getting mixed reviews, with a 59% on Rotten Tomatoes, and has gotten criticism mostly for playing it safe - whereas Johnson got flack from fans for largely the opposite reason, throwing out traditional theories. Despite mostly positive responses from critics, "The Last Jedi" divided fans, some of which were unhappy with the way Johnson subverted plot points that were brought up during Abrams' "Star Wars: The Force Awakens."

"I want to be shocked, I want to be surprised, I want to be thrown off-guard, I want to have things recontextualized, I want to be challenged as a fan when I sit down in the theater," Johnson said on the podcast.

"What I'm aiming for every time I sit down in a theater is to have the experience [I had] with 'Empire Strikes Back,' something that's emotionally resonant and feels like it connects up and makes sense and really gets to the heart of what this thing is and in a way that I never could have seen coming," he added.

Johnson most recently directed the murder mystery "Knives Out," which scored with critics and has so far grossed an impressive \$165 million worldwide.

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Rian Johnson can eat a dick
