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Posted by [Jonah Falcon](#) on Fri, 04 Sep 2009 16:07:09 GMT

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Posted by [Kate Halleron](#) on Fri, 04 Sep 2009 21:16:36 GMT

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Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 05 Sep 2009 13:34:42 GMT  
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Randy Golden  
MST Info Club #94720  
(Hi! I'm part of the problem and not the solution!)

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Posted by [Reaper G](#) on Sat, 05 Sep 2009 15:10:59 GMT  
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[http://reaper\\_g.livejournal.com](http://reaper_g.livejournal.com)

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Subject: Re: RATMM dying  
Posted by [Jim Ellwanger](#) on Sat, 05 Sep 2009 19:26:02 GMT  
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In article  
<b6dd1ea8-f62e-4b4f-b7a2-a98a2f73adcd@a37g2000prf.googlegroups.com>,  
Reaper G <reaperg@aol.com> wrote:

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Which reminds me -- are you still in Vegas? Are you looking for a job?  
Have you looked into the new "Let's Make a Deal" with Wayne Brady? I  
have no idea if they still need to fill production staff positions, but  
perhaps they could hire you to dress up in a sailor suit and hold a  
giant lollipop while sitting on a huge rocking chair.

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Jim Ellwanger <usenet@ellwanger.tv>  
<<http://www.ellwanger.tv>> welcomes you daily.  
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Subject: Re: RATMM dying  
Posted by [Judith](#) on Sat, 05 Sep 2009 21:01:11 GMT  
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Subject: Re: RATMM dying  
Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 05 Sep 2009 23:17:58 GMT  
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Originally posted by: Derek Janssen

Judith wrote:  
> In article  
> <938e825c-f992-4a0d-ba5c-ed3650767bb7@37g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>,  
> Randy Golden <r-golden@att.net> wrote:  
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>> Randy Golden  
>> MST Info Club #94720  
>> (Hi! I'm part of the problem and not the solution!)  
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> Randy! Well-remembered and -loved, from RATMM's Golden Age.  
> Although I don't know if \*invisible\* \*moral\* support is gonna hack it.  
> Poor old RATMM may be doomed...  
>  
> Judith, de-lurking and also part of the problem.

Then again, it could just be the traditional post by the Group  
Leech/Annoyance (at whichever group you might happen to be), who, at  
this traditional point in the group evolution, says, "Hey, how come you  
guys aren't writing no more interesting posts for me to read?"...  
Which more than speaks volumes for the quality of his interaction in the  
past. ;)

As for me, I'm weighing options besides Google once Verizon joins the  
party-poopers, and still looking forward to Boxset XVI in December.

Derek Janssen  
ejanss1@verizon.net

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Posted by [Reaper G](#) on Sun, 06 Sep 2009 14:54:28 GMT  
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I'm still in Vegas, and still at the same restaurant for the past five years. Not really looking into TV work anymore.

By the way, I may or may not return to L.A. in January, though I'd be staying around in LAX. How's the Valley doing?

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Posted by [Doug Elrod](#) on Tue, 08 Sep 2009 21:03:55 GMT  
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-Doug Elrod (dre1@cornell.edu)

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Posted by [Frank J. Lhota](#) on Wed, 09 Sep 2009 00:13:37 GMT  
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Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Wed, 09 Sep 2009 04:04:26 GMT  
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There is that. Another part of the issue is that there are now so many outlets for this sort of thing. In addition to RATMM, there's LJ, Facebook, Twitter and even MySpace (ack!), so the fandom thing gets kind of diluted.

Plus, y'know. we don't sparkle or nothing.

> Randy Golden

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Bill L.

Neither leading, following nor getting out of the way.

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Subject: Re: RATMM dying



Posted by [Doug Elrod](#) on Wed, 09 Sep 2009 19:45:43 GMT

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Oh, yes. That was one of the COMIC HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MILLENNIUM, I think. But what have they done for us LATELY? (But I kid the comic geniuses! ;-))

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Thank you, Frank J. Lhota!

-Doug Elrod (dre1@cornell.edu)

Maybe there could be a sequel.... "Plan Ten", maybe?

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Subject: Re: RATMM dying

Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Fri, 11 Sep 2009 05:52:15 GMT

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Previously on "Fringe", Doug Elrod <dre1@cornell.edu> wrote:

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How soon we forget about Joel & Trace rotating your tires.

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Then again, there's always the Remake:  
<http://scifiwire.com/2009/09/new-plan-9-teaser-marks-l.php>

Derek Janssen (which is either a very subtle parody of post-Michael Bay remakes, or a very bad backyard-zombie indie that got ideas)  
ejanss1@verizon.net

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Subject: Super, or Alternate versions of MST movies -- Re: RATMM dying  
Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Thu, 17 Sep 2009 18:40:38 GMT  
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Originally posted by: dgates

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I posted a little something, talking about the idea of making "Super" or "Alternate" versions of a couple MST movies.

I'm actually going to try two of them now:

1. Ultimate Mitchell. All the riffing, minus the host segments, plus the scenes from Mitchell that weren't in the MST version.

I'm looking forward to restoring the cool dune buggy chase, although it will sort of weaken the joke where Tom says "Hey, wasn't John Saxon in this movie?"

2. Ultimate Superdragon. I found a beautiful widescreen print of the movie, and I don't recall that any of the bot comedy came from actually \*seeing\* their silhouettes, so I'm going to see what happens when I lay the bot comedy over the widescreen movie.

I think I'll restore (or, basically, leave in) the scenes that aren't in the MST version. There's a cool one where we see the first girl who falls victim to the deadly chewing gum -- a girl who is only mentioned in the MST version.

Don't know what I'll do about the host segments. I'll probably keep them in. Unlike the Mitchell segments, the Superdragon segments are more closely related to the movie (plus I think they're funnier).

I'm not sure which other titles I would consider doing this with. The criteria would be:

1. I like the movie.
2. There's a commercial version of the MST version (or at least I can get one with good audio).
3. There's some reason to do the editing -- probably to restore missing scenes and/or to get a picture that will look better on our HDTV.

There! An MST thread! If anyone wants to join in, I'd love to hear from ya.

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