I watched the original series when it came out, then saw the reruns probably a dozen times each. It was a "TV staple" growing up.

I always made it a point to see each movie as it came out too.

By the time the Next generation series came out, I was a young man and had no time for TV. So I actually didn't see most of the series until a few years ago. I really liked them because they had updated special effects, I liked many of the characters and basically I just like this sort of thing.

One thing struck me though, and that was as good as the show was, they had made it unrealistically idealistic. I mean, I know they're supposed to have "grown" as a culture but really, we humans have been kicking around on this planet for several thousand years, and how much have we "grown" as a culture? Some, sure, we aren't doing the Aztec human sacrifices and there are other ways we've grown too, but still, we're not so different than we were a couple hundred years ago, in many ways the same as we were a couple thousand years ago. So how in the world is the Next Generation believable in terms of the human element?

That's why I liked the Star Trek Enterprise series. In it, the characters act much more like what I would expect. It is just plain more believable. It ties in with all the other series and movies pretty well in terms of timeline, and makes a very credible story from the point of "first contact" (with the Vulcans) onward. It is sort of like the original series with updated special effects. All in all, I think it's my favorite.

Still like Kirk, Spock, McCoy, Sulu, Scotty, Chekov and Urura best though.