
Subject: Radio Plays

Posted by [Groot](#) on Fri, 10 Aug 2018 08:17:12 GMT

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In the old days, people listen to drama and comedy on the radio. I remember the radio plays when they created sound effects, and it sounded real enough for me to believe what I'm hearing. Do you still listen to any of the radio plays?

Subject: Re: Radio Plays

Posted by [Kingfish](#) on Wed, 15 Aug 2018 15:52:03 GMT

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I would if there were any on.

I remember traveling through an Indian reservation months ago (The interstate nearby, actually) and there was a Native owned radio station that served their community I found while band surfing. I got to their bandwidth as they were reading a story that was aimed toward the young people. It sounded like a bed-time story of sorts.

That is the closest thing I came to hearing a play on the radio. It was a novel thing to listen to. Pretty unique in this day and age.

Subject: Re: Radio Plays

Posted by [Rusty](#) on Thu, 16 Aug 2018 13:59:20 GMT

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The closest thing comparable to the old radio shows was the modern radio show Prairie Home Companion. Which ran for decades. They did the show live with a studio audience and utilized all the old sound effects techniques and talented vocalizations of sound effects.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_Prairie_Home_Companion

Subject: Re: Radio Plays

Posted by [Groot](#) on Tue, 25 Sep 2018 15:49:31 GMT

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The creativity of radio plays is amazing because they need to portray something just by making the sounds and the voice acting. We are used to movies nowadays that we easily get bored when listening to a story or radio play on the radio.

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Posted by [lilbill](#) on Tue, 09 Oct 2018 20:17:28 GMT

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The originality and authenticity that existed back in the day, in as far as radio plays were concerned, cannot be compared to anything in the present. I doubt if people still listen to them, now that we have movies and other visual media.

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Posted by [Rusty](#) on Tue, 09 Oct 2018 22:20:37 GMT

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Years ago. Back in the early 70's. I remember hearing a British version of the War Of The Worlds on the radio. It was and still is one of the most compelling version of this classic I've experienced. Having seen the original movie and remake, (both entertaining), were still not as captivating as hearing this version acted out orally via a vinyl recording played on the radio. Like a good book, your imagination takes over, creating your own unique mind's eye of the events. It would be a great come back if some how this format was reintroduced for today's or tomorrow's generation. I think it'd do em some good.

Subject: Re: Radio Plays

Posted by [Groot](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2018 15:17:29 GMT

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Rusty, I think you are not rusty on what you just explained. What you said is a great example of radio plays in the old days. However, it will be a hard sell to the common folks these days because they have TV shows or movies that are more engaging than just listening to the radio plays.

Subject: Re: Radio Plays

Posted by [Rusty](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2018 19:44:47 GMT

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No illusions Groot of it's revival, my flight of fancy is all. Just that, my point could be that the engagement required today is of a more passive undertaking. No imagination required. Just take it all in. As you mentioned, you believed in the sound effects, with a little help from your mind.
