

Rob Walker Films Presents

The Pneumatic Tube



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"Over 3 Million Served!"

We've moved...yet again.



By the time you are reading this, my family and I will be in our new apartment, likely surrounded by boxes and looking for an item like the TV remote or a spatula. As of this writing, I am exhausted physically from a weekend of moving and unpacking. I am exhausted mentally from the convergence of everything I agreed to do, along with the nuts and bolts of moving and the situation of both my wife and I working full time and trying to raise our child. I am also...a little sad. We spent the previous two months living with my sister and brother-in-law and while five people living together can be tough, I see the appeal of multi-generational households. It was nice having my sister so close that we could talk about the days activities and so she could take

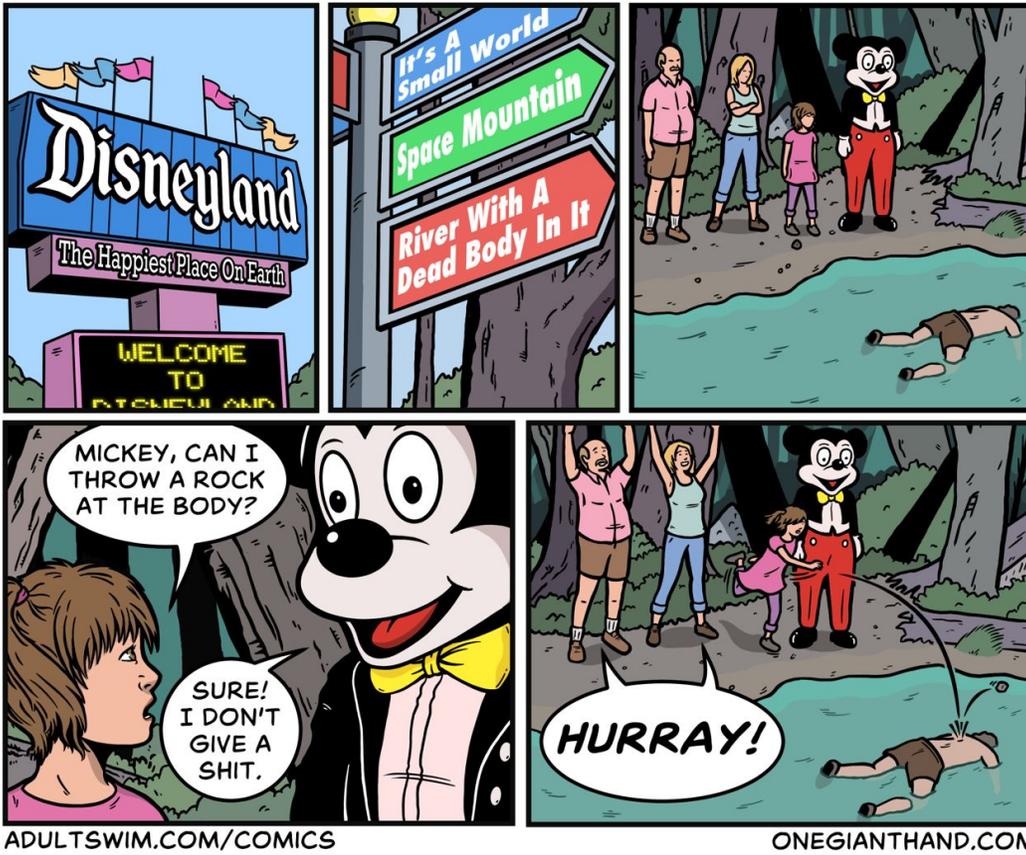
my son to the Immigrant Refugee Center where she works so that he could play and get to spend time with other kids. As I mentioned to my sister before we left, her and her husband have built a home that feels loving, and safe. It felt a little like our own mother's house growing up. I can't thank them enough will do whatever I can to repay them.

The weekend itself was capped by a trip to the emergency room. While my wife and I unpacked yesterday, my son was spending his second day with a fluctuating fever. The last time this happened, he grew lethargic and was having trouble breathing and we had to spend the night in the hospital. Fortunately, the medical staff were able to get the fever down and gave us a regiment of how to administer meds so that we could keep an eye on him over the next several days. My son, got two popsicles, two stickers and a matchbox car for his trouble. He was very pleased and my wife and I were very happy to take him home safe and happy to live our new life as box-people.

I am glad the we have a place to live, insurance, and each other.

Let's do it!

This Comic



The Look of the 80s



Have you ever wondered how certain decades get saddled with a certain “look”? The people at Vox have created a video that examines who created the iconic 1980s aesthetic and how it came to define the decade.

“The Memphis Group dominated the design world in the 80s. The collective led by Italian architect Ittore Sottsass came together in 1981. They had a huge impact on the postmodern designs of the decade.”

It is a fascinating examination of a look we all know but give us a deeper explanation for the designs and aesthetic itself. Give it a watch [HERE](#)

The Broccoli Tree: A Parable



[The Vlog Brothers](#) could be considered elder statesmen of YouTube, having begun their channel in the mid-2000s during YouTube’s infancy as a way of keeping in touch with each other. Over the years the site has evolved and spawned several side projects including [DFTBA Records](#), [The Project For Awesome](#), [Pizzamas](#) and...I could keep going, these guys are prolific. But as well as being prolific, they are also funny, sincere, thoughtful and intelligent, providing videos that are not just entertaining but make the world a little bit better. Because of this you will likely see

more Vlogbrothers videos in the pages of *The Pneumatic Tube* in the future. John Green, [YA author](#) and one half of the Vlog Brothers created this video about a tree, and an instagram account, and what can happen when we share our love of something with the world. Watch the video [HERE](#).

REJECTED JOKES!

Explanation: I've been submitting humor pieces to publications steadily for over a year now, which means that I'm sitting on a ton of material that never made it to print. I continue to polish and submit these rejected pieces, but as it stands they do not have a home. Below is one of my (many) rejected pieces. Enjoy and remember that one person's trash is another person's treasure.



Items Found on My Family Crest

- -Two noble wolves fighting about money in front of their cubs
- -A wagon with a broken wheel driven by a skeleton brandishing a whiskey bottle
- -A Medieval I.O.U. made out to someone named "Daryl"
- -Motto: "So you think you're better than me?!" (Translated from the original Gaelic)

This Is Great



Well, that's it for now. I hope you guys enjoyed this issue of the *The Pneumatic Tube* or at least found parts of it useful. If you have any questions or recommendations for me, you can reach me at [robwalkerfilms\[at\]gmail\[DOT\]com](mailto:robwalkerfilms@gmail.com) Be sure to tell your friends about it and if you want to reach me elsewhere, you can find me at these spaces below.

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Take care,

-Rob

“The tools of conquest do not necessarily come with bombs and explosions and fallout. There are weapons that are simply thoughts, attitudes, prejudices to be found only in the minds of men. For the record, prejudices can kill, and suspicion can destroy, and a thoughtless frightened search for a scapegoat has a fallout all of its own for the children, and the children yet unborn. And the pity of it is that these things cannot be confined to the Twilight Zone.” - Rod Serling

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