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r/creepygaming • 7 yr. ago  
palesskowitz

Videos of a mysterious unfinished PSX game from 1997, called "Petscop". There's something hiding in it.

Mystery



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Aoneareyou60 • 7y ago • Edited 7y ago  
le final defender

This is incredibly interesting. I have watched the first episode and this guy ALREADY got his ARG game on point!

This is the most well made thing I have ever seen. It reminds me of early creepypasta. I hope Night Mind covers this.

EDIT: and honestly I don't care if this is just to give this series more attention if you are the creator. It deserves it because I think this is wonderfully made.

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LinguistHere • 7y ago

Yeah, it's weird, because you'd think it's the creator of the game who is doing the playthrough, but for the most part, the Let's Play isn't "well acted". It doesn't feel scripted. The guy is quiet a lot and says things like "I don't know what to say about that" rather than commenting or expanding on what's going on. He also seems to miss certain things that happen on screen.

I've recorded at least a hundred hours of Let's Plays myself, so I constantly have that "backseat driver" voice going through my head, critiquing how disengaged and dull the player seems most of the time. But in a very weird way, in a context like this, that makes it *more* engaging. It makes it seem more authentic.

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Vidyabro • 7y ago • Edited 7y ago

It doesn't seem to be a Let's Play in the regular sense. I don't remember where exactly, but somewhere in the videos he talks to a specific person and not a general audience, implying he was going to send these videos to a friend for him to check the game out or something.

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LinguistHere • 7y ago

True.

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Aoneareyou60 • 7y ago  
le final defender

I mean, if I found a secret in an otherwise normal game, I would be stunned. That's some good talent.

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Hashrick • 7y ago

I watched two and I'm really into it, I want to keep watching. What is the deal with this game?

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Mr\_Quiggles • 7y ago

In entertaining the thought of this being a real unreleased title, I've been searching for other info about this game, or the company that made it, finding nothing. I can only assume, if it really is an unfinished game, that it is one of the most incredibly obscure things ever, or one of the best examples of capturing that PS1 style in an original title I've ever seen.

So many small details: from the compression of the still loading screen images to the way everything's rendered, utilization of pre-rendered objects in the color room scenes and everything inbetween. If OP is the creator, fucking kudos, amazing work. Can't wait to see more!

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idungoofed19 • 7y ago  
NLM

Is there anything that doesn't really mesh with the "lost PSX Game" thing?

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Mr\_Quiggles • 7y ago

I had a debate about this with my brother. I mean, all the psx graphical quirks can be replicated to some degree in modern engines, if one has the know-how and attention to detail for it. The other route could be as a homebrew, but there's that huge technical learning curve to making stuff for the psx.

He had also mentioned that he saw none of that classic Z-buffer warped texture flaw most PSX games had, but I made a gif from one of the videos that I'm pretty sure shows it here (bottom third of the screen, as the ground nears the camera). The effect would be minimized by the forced camera angle.

Regardless of which three possibilities: original, homebrew, or lost psx game, the premise is very interesting and I really want to see where this goes and if it'll ever get released.

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Guiprudi • 7y ago • Edited 7y ago  
Bobby Wobbly Stinker Man

Um guys, I think I found 3 coincidences looking for the words "Newmaker Plane", a term that comes up in the third video while reading the note in one of the kids' rooms.

First I found this news from 2000 about a girl called Candace Newmaker submitted to an Attachment Therapy (alternative child mental health interventions) known as REBIRTH THERAPY ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rebirthing\\_\(breathwork\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rebirthing_(breathwork))) that ended up dying. The story apparently had international coverage.

It was a story from the 2000's but I don't know, this can clear up something? I found some parallels here, but I'm really not sure if ALL OF IT is connected, anyways, the fact that there is a mental health therapy called "Rebirth" really was something interesting.

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crush3000 • 7y ago

The story behind this is incredibly disturbing, and there are a few significant similarities found within the game. When Candace couldn't make it out of the cloth during the rebirth therapy, her "therapist" repeatedly called her a quitter. In the "quitter's room" within the game the narrator finds a piece of paper which asks "Do you remember being born?" Then you have the mention in the third video of children being psychologically damaged "beyond rebirthing," I think this is probably a main theme.

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Guiprudi • 7y ago  
Bobby Wobbly Stinker Man

Yes! I mean, I could be wrong but it's kinda similar. Even that thing with the quitter's room and "Remember being born, too many similarities in my opinion."

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crush3000 • 7y ago

I think the series as a whole is about foster kids, orphans, and the associated child abuse. Think about the actual "game" that he plays before he goes to the secret stuff. It's meant to be an orphanage. From the first sign he encounters:

"The Gift Plane has closed indefinitely, and all personnel have left. If you are unaware, The Gift Plane provided homes to over a hundred young Pets. Unfortunately, we have failed to remove all of the Pets from their homes. 48 Pets remain here, at the time of writing. We would strongly encourage you to visit our 8 homes and find some friends to take with you. Every Pet is uniquely valuable. You should have no problem finding somebody that you love. -The Gift Plane staff"

From the second sign:

"When you're choosing a Pet, find someone that you like. You don't have to love them right away. Don't be discouraged if they run from you! They really do want a home. They're afraid. Show them that there's nothing to be afraid of."

The gameplay consists of puzzles where you have to trick these "Pets" in order to catch them and take them out of their "homes". I think the point is clear. A lot of foster parents get kids for the money and treat them like shit. The kids are ripped away from their families and given to people who treat them more like pets than people. There are far too many stories of severe abuse with these children that no one seems to care about. Candace Newmaker is but one of many kids failed by this system, and I think she serves as one of this series's inspirations.

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Guiprudi • 7y ago  
Bobby Wobbly Stinker Man

Found another piece of news, same story, yet there is a part where it says:

In 1997, Renee Polreis was sentenced to 22 years in prison for the death of her adopted son, David. She argued that he was not beaten to death with a wooden spoon but suffered from RAD which made him impossible to control and caused him to mutilate himself.

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MikeBlue64 • 7y ago

1997 the same year as the "game" build was abandoned

2 Reply Award Share ...

JG\_the\_OG • 7y ago

Candace will have been dead for 16 years next Tuesday, April 18. Might this date be significant in terms of future uploads?

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[deleted] • 7y ago

This seems like too much of a coincidence to be unrelated- the article explains that the mother and defence lawyers in the case has described the child as suffering from Reactive Attachment Disorder. Wiki link: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reactive\\_attachment\\_disorder](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reactive_attachment_disorder)

The article states that "RAD arises from a failure to form normal attachments to primary caregivers in early childhood. Such a failure could result from severe early experiences of neglect, abuse, abrupt separation from caregivers between the ages of six months and three years, frequent change of caregivers, or a lack of caregiver responsiveness to a child's communicative efforts. Not all, or even a majority of such experiences, result in the disorder."

This certainly ties into the repeating motif of "Nobody Loves Me" we keep seeing here- neglect and abuse would lead a child to begin believing that no one cares for it.

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Guiprudi • 7y ago  
Bobby Wobbly Stinker Man

Someone made a publication explaining what I found too

He found that Candace's middle name was *Tiera*, the same name in the game

6 Reply Award Share ...

itsmejesuschrist • 7y ago

That would be my post. I have no affiliation to the blog you're linking. They seem to have copied my text which I posted on this subreddit.

[https://www.reddit.com/r/creepygaming/comments/64tlr9/i\\_wrote\\_a\\_summary\\_of\\_most\\_of\\_what\\_happened\\_in\\_the/](https://www.reddit.com/r/creepygaming/comments/64tlr9/i_wrote_a_summary_of_most_of_what_happened_in_the/)

9 Reply Award Share ...

mherweg • 7y ago

Pretty compelling. I'd love to see more. Wonder how this is going to develop, or if we'll perhaps see a ROM.

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[deleted] • 7y ago  
It would be great if he releases the ROM.  
15 Reply Award Share ...

ScoutforHire • 7y ago  
I know this is SEVERE necposting but I have to make a correction before this goes past the magic 6 months:  
Even PSX discs were... well, discs, which means they wouldn't be ROMs. A ROM requires a cartridge. It'd likely be an ISO file or other type of disc image.  
6 Reply Award Share ...

DanPMK • 7y ago  
ISO is a way of formatting a ROM, ROM is technically correct for any read-only image, but admittedly rarely used in the context of disc images.  
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Guiprati • 7y ago  
Bobby Wobbly Stinker Man  
People, I would recommend to spread this, it's SUPER interesting. Whether it's a REAL obscure game from the 90's or a personal 2010's project on making an horror game on the PSX and then made into a let's play series, the result is SPECTACULAR and super captivating. Please spread this. Let the guy know at the channel we want MORE  
24 Reply Award Share ...  
1 more reply

[deleted] • 7y ago  
It's worth noting that OP's reddit account and the YouTube account were made at more or less the same time, and this is OP's only post. The OP on here is almost definitely the OP of the videos. I just want more footage.  
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LinguistHere • 7y ago  
There's a sound effect and an object that appears for just a couple frames in video 2 that the player seems to ignore or not notice. It's a blue car (or truck?).  
<http://i.imgur.com/gajqor0.jpg>  
Here's starting a few seconds before it appears:  
<https://youtu.be/teIDdkWHAdw?t=3m23s>  
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Cornerb0y • 7y ago  
Unhealing  
I noticed that too. Almost looks like a car. I also noticed a few other things in video 2 & 4. In 2, the NLM stands for nobody loves me (some sort of puzzle with the daisy flower he was removing the pedals which changed the screen red every other pull). In 4, at around the 1:57 mark, something walks into the light for a short moment then walks back into the darkness.  
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LinguistHere • 7y ago  
I can't find what you mean in video 4...  
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Cornerb0y • 7y ago  
Unhealing  
Top right corner when he refers to the windmill missing. You may need to turn the brightness up.  
5 Reply Award Share ...

LinguistHere • 7y ago  
Aha! Got it: <http://imgur.com/Pt0HiXj.jpg>  
6 Reply Award Share ...

Cornerb0y • 7y ago  
Unhealing  
Here's a poorly enhanced photo I got with my phone.  
<http://m.imgur.com/gallery/6tK3xTG>  
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LinguistHere • 7y ago  
Username checks out  
10 Reply Award Share ...

Cornerb0y • 7y ago  
Unhealing  
HA, I get it now. Lol, it's actually from a Coheed and Cambria song.  
5 Reply Award Share ...

checks\_out\_bot • 7y ago  
It's funny because Cornerb0y's username is very applicable to their comment.  
beep bop if you hate me, reply with "stop". If you just got smart, reply with "start".  
7 Reply Award Share ...

idungpoofed19 • 7y ago  
u/valvillia2000 got slightly better enhanced pictures of it <http://imgur.com/a/O9dwC>  
5 Reply Award Share ...

[deleted] • 7y ago  
I've got the whole thing in .gif form at home. After work I'll upload it  
4 Reply Award Share ...

Cornerb0y • 7y ago  
Unhealing  
It looks like a green bird with feet.  
2 Reply Award Share ...

Guiprati • 7y ago  
Bobby Wobbly Stinker Man  
I can see faint images in the loading screens. At the video 2 there are some of these. I am compiling them here: <http://imgur.com/a/mduHK>  
11 Reply Award Share ...

crush3000 • 7y ago  
I think this is a genius new take on the "haunted game" genre that has grown so stale. It's creepy in that you don't really know the intentions of the person who made it. Mimics the style of other more innocent games. Reminds me of games like Yume Nikki and LSD Dream Emulator.  
It also has a bit of that early Slenderman ARG stuff. There's stuff hidden very well in the background that our narrator doesn't see but that we can wonder about. There's something else here too. Our narrator doesn't seem to be doing this for us, so his intentions are also a mystery.  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
This is wonderful! I really hope more people see it!  
↑ 14 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
I gotta say, even if this is totally fake it's pretty fucking cool.  
Also it's really tense to watch.  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
I noticed that in the first video, on the "even care" level, each room has its own background. I screencapped each of them. <https://imgur.com/a/YrGH>  
↑ 12 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
I really love this so far. I'm gonna be watching this closely for updates but does anyone have something similar to this? Thanks.  
↑ 11 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
For the last few seconds of the last video, a figure runs at the player.  
ENHANCE  
↑ 11 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Judging by its shape, it kinda looks like a similar creature to whatever the main player is.  
↑ 12 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 3 mo ago  
that's probably Marvin.  
also yes i know this is 7 years old but i love petscop  
↑ 1 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
I found something on video 2. At 1:02 we can see that the loading screen is a very dark room seen from above:  
<http://imgur.com/a/m4uhK>  
↑ 11 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Excellent catch.  
↑ 6 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
what's that second image? Is it someone looking down a flight of stairs?  
↑ 6 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
I think it's a hallway looked down from a low view point  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Girlfriend brought this up when we watched this. notice how all the rooms the dude travels to they are all colored except for Cares. Also notice how her room has crayons on the table and on the floor there is an image of a paint roller which is used for coloring/painting. Not sure if this is significant or what it could mean but thought it was interesting to note.  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
This is inexplicably eerie. In your face shit like Marble Hornets did not make me shiver the way this series does.  
↑ 10 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Marble Hornets was great, it just got to be a bit too much.  
↑ 6 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Is the guy talking to a specific someone? "When you come home next month maybe you'll feel a little more enthusiastic about that"  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
interesting parallel with the videos obviously being meant for someone else, like how in 3 the narrator speculates that the part of the game he's playing through was meant for someone else to see too  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
This is very, very interesting and well done. Looking forward to seeing more.  
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- [deleted] • 7 ago  
<https://www.reddit.com/r/Petscop/> Unofficial Petscop Reddit!  
↑ 8 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Very interesting series of videos. I definitely want to see more.  
↑ 7 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Super interesting. Hope this goes somewhere.  
↑ 7 ↓ Reply Award Share ...
- [deleted] • 7 ago  
Gonna say this here, just random thoughts about the video it's probably faked anyway so I don't know if that's  
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giving help anyone, our here it is anyway.

First thing and what's probably the most obvious would be to do the second face but with eyebrows and then go to the far right of the room (following the instructions in the room)

Also in the first kid room there are tweezers or pluckers on the table, which can be used to remove eyebrows. So maybe try the first face without eyebrows as well.

Also it's pretty obvious but on the last video there's something walking in the shadow.

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N2I · 7y ago

This is top-notch simulation of PSX graphics. Something what I can frankly enjoy even without mentioning its "creepy" part.

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[deleted] · 7y ago

I made a .gif of the mysterious figure with the intention of upping the brightness and contrast in Photoshop, but my codecs are bugged and it crashes every time I try to load the file. [Here it is](#), if anyone wants to try.

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SquidStoleMyFace · 7y ago

I wonder if the "Pets" will ever factor back into it. I feel like Amber's description seems ominous enough and potentially relevant. I'd also love to see what the "book of baby names" is and descriptions for the other pets he caught

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[deleted] · 7y ago

Thought I'd dump a permalink to a Discord I just made for discussing this. feel free to join :)

<https://discord.gg/S2ge6w>

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[deleted] · 7y ago

S7urm · 7y ago

Can someone direct link the series plz?

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Vidyabro · 7y ago

Here you go.

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S7urm · 7y ago

Thank you! Was on mobile and I couldn't get the link in the post to work

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jailbroken · 7mo ago

internet history

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[deleted] · 7y ago

I'm gonna comment before the post gets locked. I shall be known as the random dude who.. commented before the post was locked

↑ 3 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

The\_Four\_Leaf\_Clover · 7y ago

I will join you

↑ 2 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

[deleted] · 7y ago

How about I join you joining me

↑ 1 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

Ktr4ks · 7y ago

Me too.

↑ 1 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

[deleted] · 7y ago · Edited 7y ago

thanks

EDIT: 1/5/18; cool i can still comment here by editing this. dank

↑ 1 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

↑ 1 more reply

fan-of-ceilings · 3y ago

Hey why can I comment on this?

↑ 3 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

PixelButtz · 7y ago

Passed you a PM. I hope you'd be willing to ensure this game is properly preserved.

↑ 5 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

gagagoogaga · 7y ago

So obviously fake, but entertaining nonetheless.

↑ 2 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

Sweet\_Collection\_712 · 3y ago

and heres where it *all* began

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Thomas\_Baughman · 2y ago

It's 2022 and this post isn't locked somehow. Glad to see this piece of history is still available.

↑ 2 ↓ Reply Award Share ...

Berryman2 · 2y ago

Funny where this is pretty much where everything began.

I miss Petscop a lot. I miss waiting for new episodes and the excitement when a new one was posted.

It was definitely an experience that I'll never forget.

2 ...

Redoulo • 1y ago

Uh-oh

2 ...

nox714 • 1y ago

Bye-bye

2 ...

kingcrete • 1y ago

shoutout neypo x

2 ...

scrollingenjoyer\_ • 9mo ago

Can't believe this hasn't been locked. Super interesting stuff and I can't believe this started off the giant that is Petscop. Such an incredible project this turned out to be.

2 ...

kerb180 • 9mo ago

there will never be anything like petscop again.

2 ...

[deleted] • 7y ago • Edited 7y ago

Edit: This is actually great and the good acting makes up for the young narrator. If that's you OP, good job.

3 ...

NaruT0M • 7y ago

fuck yea

1 ...

Sea-Bug3215 • 4mo ago

It's been so long since a message has been released. The unknown is addictive and I'm sure many crave to hear more about it. The release was wonderfully done. Such an intriguing concept

1 ...

ExplosiveNecklace • 3mo ago

This is truly something to come back to after 7 years. Wow.

1 ...

IVanDijk • 1mo ago

Único comentario en español

1 ...

fan-of-ceilings • 3y ago

I love you Tony and I love petscop so much

1 ...

cynapse • 3y ago

nice, now play minecraft next

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