

SVTFOE: Reddit Q & A Session

Daron Nefcy and co.

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VeronicaMewniFan asks...

In fact I have 4 questions:

- 1. Why did they decide to make an open ending (with the possibility of closing it with another story) and at the same time "throwing away" all the work (or history) that was behind?*
- 2. In episode 4x20b) "The tavern at the end of the Multiverse" at a time Rhina the Riddled appears without her cheekmarks. Was this just a mistake when drawing or does it have any meaning?*
- 3. Why did Starco affect such a degree that we ended up having the usual cliché of two friends who fall in love?*
- 4. Do you have something planned to close the story?*

Daron: 1) My goal was to create a satisfying ending that still left room for more. I feel like it's in the DNA of the universe to solve one problem but create another. That's Star Butterfly! I know it may not have been satisfying for everyone, but I hope it inspires a lot of fan fiction and drawings. I didn't want to solve everything and leave the fans nothing to play with! Plus, if I ever got to do more with Star I want something to play with.
2) Yes, that was a mistake. You have no idea how hard it is to keep everything consistent. I have made myself totally crazy at times trying to fix the little mistakes in every episode. It's totally impossible to catch them all.
3) Not sure I understand the question.
4) Not at this time.

red_salsa asks...

What band would Marco like better the cure or the Smiths?

Daron: Absolutely the Smiths

lishaimokch asks...

*Will Star join Ludo for a game of basketball?
Are they friends now?*

Daron: Oh they are totally going to be playing basketball. I can't wait for the day that Ludo makes his first slam dunk!

tomzicare asks...

No questions, only wanted to say that this is the best cartoon in the past 15 years and I am deeply thankful for sharing Star and her universe with us.

Daron: Hey thanks!

stuffandthings13579 asks...

Will there be an official svtfoe soundtrack?

Daron: No plans as of now, but that would be so cool! I'd try tweeting at the DisneyTVA twitter. Please keep telling them you love Star!

ravenpascal asks...

Why haven't you released the 2011 pilot yet? Is there a reason? Do you plan on releasing it? Thanks!

Daron: That's a cool idea! I wouldn't be able to make that decision, but I can ask the executives I work with at Disney.

Ngame989 asks...

Like many fans, Star and Marco's relationship was my biggest draw to the show, and I adored it throughout and thought the way it resolved was one of the most sincere and powerful depictions of what love can be that I've seen in fiction in a while, but I'd still have loved to see them progress as a couple before the series ended like the major couples in similarly character-driven shows like Brooklyn 99 and Parks and Recreation, or like many fondly remember Kim Possible for. Were there any specific reasons you chose to keep them as friends/keep other relationships going until just before the very end despite the clear depth of their mutual romantic feelings in the S3 finale, and if you were to get the opportunity to make more SVTFOE content, would developing their relationship further (while portrayed as a couple) still likely be one of the focuses?

Daron: I'm glad you enjoyed the Star and Marco storyline! It was important to me to treat them like real teenagers... As we all know, relationships are messy! One thing I personally don't like are storylines where characters first relationships are also their last ones... The whole prince charming thing. That's a lie! That's just not life! They need to date other people and have other experiences. I'm not sure what Star and Marco's future looks like but I know they are very much in love now.

Cooleosis asks...

Did Toffee plan for Star to destroy the magic after his death, or did he think he won up until he got face blasted?

Daron: He thought he won until he got his face blasted

Arianna_Bre asks...

Will there be a DVD of the complete series and more books?

Daron: No plans as of now! But please keep asking Disney! I would love both those things.

some_guy10000 asks...

What did you feel about the petition for a season 5?

Daron: I think it's great! I hope someone pays attention.

ravenpascal (again) asks...

What are all of your fave episodes of the show?

Daron: Thats hard! I have a lot of favorites! Booth Buddies and Into the wand are ones I really love

NuIoShafu asks...

1.What are you going to do now that SVTFOE is over?

2.Is there a chance that SVTFOE is not over yet?

3. Thanks for creating this amazing show =)

Daron: 1) I don't know to be honest! I've been taking a long break. First summer break I've has since I started working in animation 10 years ago! It's been really nice. I am hoping to develop more original shows in the future.
2) No plans as of now, but please keep asking the powers that be! I would love to do more with Star. 3) Thanks :)

Camden819 asks...

Were all dimensions cleaved, or was just Earth and Mewni cleaved?

Daron: Just Earth and Mewni!

BofaMountain asks...

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Daron: I've been working on Star since 2007! It's been a long process. Each individual episode takes about a year from start to finish. We work on a whole season all at once.

ravencooperstar asks...

Hello Daron and crew! I put it upon myself to ask the obligatory Sleepover questions:

What is your favorite color? What did you really think of Star's brownies? Who do you have a crush on?

Thanks for agreeing to do this AMA (and creating such a wonderous series) and best of luck on future endeavors!

Daron: Blue! Terrible! Bobby! And thank you :)

QueOndaSoyJorge asks...

513/5000

Hello Daron

My questions would be:

1. Do you still have plans with Star Vs The Forces Of Evil? I mean there could be a possible movie or a book that shows us what happened after the end?

2. Did you really plan for the series to last longer than you were allowed to do?

3. *Would you like to do a Spin-off of the series with Metero and Mariposa as protagonists?*

4. *Tom's powers were affected by destroying the magic?*

5. *What do you think of Tom and Janna's ship?*

6. *Could we see Star and Marco's wedding someday?*

I send you a huge greeting and a hug and thank you for creating Star Vs The Forces of Evil and getting closer with their characters and their adventures

Success for you

Your fan: Jorgeluis

Daron: 1) I would love to! Keep asking for it and maybe one day it'll happen. Hate it keep saying it, but I can't just decide to do it. The studio needs to feel like the show is popular enough to warrant it. Or even just that there is a need to make it. 2) This is a little bit of a complicated question! I was very lucky to get 4 seasons. For a variety of very boring reasons, most animated shows for kids only get about two or three seasons, max. So, I feel very lucky I got to do 4 on Star. When our 4th season got approved I knew that would most likely be the end, just because of the rarity of having a 4th season. So, I wrote an ending. I was really happy with the ending. I know a lot of fans thought it felt rushed, but I think that just means you want more. I would love to do more with Star someday. Obviously, that decision is not one I can just make. But if the powers that be wanted to make more Star I would love to work with them again.

PrincessBluestar asks...

Did Tom lose portal powers so he can't travel to Underworld?

About Pony Heads, I dare to ask, How Pony Heads don't have real bodies and where are theirs?

Please don't kill me! P.S. who and where is Queen pony head?

How and why Mewmans hate monster in first place if all monsters are not evil? Like Toffe being evil and Globgor being good? Is it excuse to hate monster because Magic High Commission manipulate mewmans to rule Mewni and control everything?

About Although, as revealed in The Magic Book of Spells, Globgor strongly disagreed with Toffee's plan to commit a Mewman genocide, and he advocated for peace, it isn't clear whether his own evil past deeds were due to the ongoing war between Mewmans and monsters, or sheer wickedness. Can you please explain it? Or can you better tell us about history of both Globgor and Toffee?

Daron: 1) He can still travel. Magic might be gone, but he's still a demon. 2) The Ponyheads evolved out of their bodies thousands of years ago through evolution because they didn't need them. Queen Ponyhead sadly passed away.

ChingLingChao asks...

These questions are for everyone. 1. What other projects to you have in the works? 2. What are some of your favorite hobbies outside of tv/film work?

Daron: 1) I'm taking a little break! Hoping to work on some more original projects in the future. 2) I love to hike and ride my bicycle.

CheeseBugga36 asks...

You have any clue on what happened to the corn that was sent to Disney?

Daron: Yes. I picked it up from Disney and donated it to the homeless. Haha, please don't send Disney more canned goods! They just call me to come pick it up.

animegx43 asks...

Yay, Daron is finally here. Got 2 questions.

Was Starco something that was always planned from the beginning, or did the fan reaction from the first season influenced it at all?

Was the monster arm planned to come back? The season 1 finale kind of hinted it, but nothing came from it.

Daron: 1) I did have it planned for some time. . . I know some people got very into the shipping- which is cool! But I never intended for people to get so crazy. I wanted to treat them like real teenagers and their relationships as teenagers would. 2) To be honest we tried to write the Monster Arm return episode many times and we could never really get it to work! I believe it's still in Marco still might emerge someday.

shroomished asks...

Did your experiences in school affect how it was portrayed in the show? I know Marco was a successful student that ended up getting his GED

Daron: Yeah, I would say some of my high school experiences made it in. The GED one for sure! I actually didn't graduate high school. I was getting badly bullied so I took the GED test and left early. Best decision I ever made!

Pokitore asks...

What were some ideas for episodes that ended up getting changed or scratched?

Daron: Oh man, we had this weird one where Skullnick was dating the Orange grunting monster. One about Mr. Diaz's job. They didn't make it.

Joe_Zt asks...

About the graffiti on earth showing how the first settlers got to Mewni: how did it get there? None of the first Mewman settlers knew how they got there.

Daron: They fell though the earth well, which at that time was not covered by Britta's tacos. They traveled though the magic and lost their memories along the way.

ilooooove asks...

For Daron:

Who is your favourite Queen of Mewni and why?

Daron: Star. Because shes the best :)

AmitTPB asks...

Is there anything you would like to say to us?

Daron: You all are the best! Thank you for your support!

TheJarOfMaize asks...

Hi Everyone!

In the season 3 finale "Conquer", why did Meteora turn into a baby and lose her memories when hit by Black Velvet Inferno? The force of the attack and the moment after Eclipsa used the spell imply that the spell should have killed Meteora.

Daron: Eclipsa wanted to give Meteora a second chance. For a moment she didn't know if the spell would work. It was a desperate spell that could have easily killed her, but the results were just what Eclipsa wanted

miinako asks...

What inspired you to make star vs the forces of evil

Daron: The show was really inspired by childhood experiences. I was obsessed with Sailor Moon as a kid and always wanted to make a magical girl show. In my first Star pitch, she was younger and more like me as a kid. Her magic powers weren't really, they were in her imagination. She was a happy kid who was determined to save the day with no real powers and without many friends. At Disney, the executives asked for me to age her up and they led to the magic universe of Mewni and her being a foreign exchange student etc.

katy25XD asks...

how exactly Moon's mother died? (Comet)

Daron: Toffee killed her

Joe_Zt (again) asks...

What even is a warnicorn?

Daron: Its a unicorn that needs the blood of its enemies to survive.

existing_is_oof asks...

Are the laser puppies alive?

Daron: Yes, they are just regular puppies now!

Enosaur asks...

Hello Ms. Daron. Since the show has some obvious influence from magical girls anime, what's your favourite magical girl anime?

Daron: Sailor Moon!

xicano asks...

*What inspired the naming of your characters, and were the designs created prior to or after naming?
Thank you for your time*

Daron: I love naming characters! Sometimes the names come first and sometimes the designs. Star Butterfly was the 1st character and I'm pretty sure I drew her first then named her.

_sam_cb_ asks...

Hey this isn't really a SVTFOE question, but do any of you have any advice you could give for any aspiring animators / writers / producers, etc.? Thanks for one of the best shows on Disney in a long time!

Daron: Draw every day! And if you want to storyboard, or pitch your own show someday, write! Write and draw. And get comfortable coming up with your own characters and stories. Your drawing and writing will probably not be great at first. That's okay! You need to just keep going and keep learning. Also draw from life! You will learn more than just doing fan art. Not that fan art is a bad thing! You just can't be doing only that.

Gravityfallsmemer666 asks...

Is doop doop Alive

Daron: Nope nope

Galvanion asks...

Globgor?

Daron: Globgor!

truedeathpacito asks...

Why did you make ponyhead?

Daron: Because she's awesome

theoritically (again) asks...

In the blood moon ball episode, was it really the old man in the painting talking to him, or was it all in Marcos imagination?

Daron: It was really the old man! That's Eclipsa's dad!

theoritically asks...

Were Star and Marco always meant to get together? Or was it because of the fans and the Starco ship that this was made?

Daron: It was planned. We never did anything just because we got pressure from fans

Naykomahboi asks...

Hello everyone, and thank you for taking time to do this!

Daron,

When you're sketching down an idea, what makes it stand out as something you want to work more with? Is it just a gut feeling once it's jotted down, or do you go into it hoping to create something new and exciting?

Adam,

Do you have any specific episodes or takes of Star that you remember being most excited to see the final product of? I have to imagine it can be a long wait if you're particularly proud of a specific take.

Is there any type of scene you haven't voiced yet that you'd still like to be able to try out some day?

Dominic,

What is the most exciting part of the process for you? And what is something difficult about it that people might not realize?

Thank you again everyone!

Daron: Sometimes episodes are really easy to write and sometimes they are hard. Some of the hardest are when we need to get a plot point into an episode and find a story that works around it and not have it feel shoved in or anything. I really love having very different episodes and not follow a formula. It makes writing more difficult, but more interesting I think. The most exciting part of the process for me is working with a team! I was so grateful for my team on Star! A lot of people on the show became my really good friends. Running a show is really difficult. You have to be a leader of a big team. There is always a certain amount of drama to deal with because of that.

Jebusanon asks...

Is Janna dead?

Daron: No!

Demegod1414 asks...

Do you read moringmark comics?

What's your favorite drink?

What's your favorite food?

Finally, if SVTFOE could have a crossover episode, which tv show would you choose?

Edit: these questions are for any of the crew

Daron: I do! MoringMark is a pretty magical person.

Coffee

Sushi

I wouldn't want to do a cross over episode

Spoderman77 asks...

Hi everyone.

I gotta ask, what's the name of that Ransomgram delivery monster girl? Kinda curious.

*Also kinda random question. Will you be watching the Infinity Train premiere in a few days?
Thanks a bunch.*

Daron: I would love if the fandom would name her! Please tweet me with her name!

ShinySaturn asks...

i saw many people critic the series finale, what the crew think about that criticism?

Daron: It doesn't feel good. We tried to do the best job we could do.

RowanRedcap asks...

how is your day?

Daron: Great!

FourthCause asks...

Are you satisfied with the ending?

Daron: 1) My goal was to create a satisfying ending that still left room for more. I feel like it's in the DNA of the universe to solve one problem but create another. That's Star Butterfly! I know it may not have been satisfying for everyone, but I hope it inspires a lot of fan fiction and drawings. I didn't want to solve everything and leave the fans nothing to play with! Plus, if I ever got to do more with Star I want something to play with.

Inazuma-sensei asks...

Hi Daron, Adam, Dominic and Aaron! Since the end of the show I have some unanswered questions and I really hope you could solve my doubts.

1) First, some Toffee-related ones. How Toffee knew about the Whispering Spell and its effects, considering not even Moon knew (she was desperate when Star performed it in Battle of Mewni, so I assumed she thought it was just a self-destruction spell)? He studied some books, but these things don't seem the kind of stuff that would be in them, considering they weren't even in the Book of Spells. How was Toffee able to be in the Realm of Magic without losing his mind AND meanwhile corrupting the magic? Why Toffee had skulls with cheekmarks of Eclipsa on his shoulders during Battle of Mewni? Was he the one who killed Solaria? Which were even the details of his plan, since they were never entirely clear?

2) Was the original plan for the show to have another season? Because some plot points and arcs from this last one seem kinda rushed, abruptly introduced or not going practically anywhere. Some examples: Globgor (who everyone expected to have a big role, but at the end he did almost nothing and wasn't explored that much as a character), Kelly and Marco relationship (introduced and then ended off screen in a couple of episodes, with no actual reasons revealed for its end and no development for the characters involved in it), Star and Marco getting together (one day she's with the Tom, they break up and the next day she claims Marco as her boyfriend), the destruction of magic (practically introduced as a concept in the second to last episode, and then carried out with

almost no hitches in the last episode), Marco's wound in the finale (he's stabbed and then he's fine, making the scene not much useful)...

3) Why and how the painting of Alphonse the Worthy, Eclipsa's father, talked to Marco in the Blood Moon Ball episode? And about the Blood Moon, was it originally designed as a blessing by you authors, instead of a curse like it ended out to be?

4) What about Seth of Septarsis? Considering his role in the Book of Spells, literally everyone was expecting to see him in the last season.

5) Were we originally supposed to have some more information about Celena the Shy? She's the only queen from "Into the Wand" we don't really find out anything more about, and not even the Book was able to give her much more background and deepening. Some people were expecting one of her spells to have a role in the finale, since it contains the word "cleave" and it is about a broken friendship.

6) Were there plans to make the Monster Arm return? In season 1 finale there was a tiny flashback that seemed like a foreshadowing, and he was mentioned again in season 3 finale.

7) What was the symbolism of the hall in Saint Olga, from the season 1 episode? The painting represented Globgor's army, as we find out in season 4, but why was it there in the first place? And what about the moon, the star and the sun on the floor? When they were shown they seemed important.

8) There are many discussions about this, so let's make it clear. Which creatures and which not survived to the destruction of magic? In the finale we see that the unicorns from the Realm of Magic and the Magic High Commission, along with probably Glossaryck, didn't, while you confirmed the Laser Puppies are alive but not lasery anymore. What about the spells? They were created by magic and are practically embodiments of magic. Are they...?

Daron: Oh boy! This is a lot! I will try and answer some of them. 1) Toffee was a historian and researched the Butterfly family like no one ever had before. He used his powers for evil. He's been leaning about magic for a very long time. The skulls Toffee was wearing was Butterfly family members of the royal court he killed. 2) Gonna post this again: This is a little bit of a complicated question! I was very lucky to get 4 seasons. For a variety of very boring reasons, most animated shows for kids only get about two or three seasons, max. So, I feel very lucky I got to do 4 on Star. When our 4th season got approved I knew that would most likely be the end, just because of the rarity of having a 4th season. So, I wrote an ending. I was really happy with the ending. I know a lot of fans thought it felt rushed, but I think that just means you want more. I would love to do more with Star someday. Obviously, that decision is not one I can just make. But if the powers that be wanted to make more Star I would love to work with them again. 3) Magic. And I think the Blood Moon is both a curse and and blessing. 4) Seth has been dead for a long time. We only get so many episodes per season so he'll need to just be in the book for now.

2 Aaron Hammersley

Superleximus asks...

what does star think of pringles

Aaron: She loves 'em but it does mess up her stomach

Moncole asks...

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Aaron: Angie is a teacher and poet. Rafael is an artist. Here's an easter egg for you: in the season 1 episode "Cheer up Star", I added a painting in the shed which is actually a famous Van Gogh painting that had been stolen and has never been recovered. So, either Rafael is an art thief or he paints replicas of stolen paintings.

DarkLadyNoir asks...

Marco and Star broke their bond with the blood moon ball.

Then, why did Marco's cheeks glow when he and Star created the "portal" in cleaved?

Aaron: The cheek marks had more to do with his exposure to magic

TylerSpicknell asks...

So did Ms. Skullnik turn human again after the destruction of magic?

Aaron: yep

sugarmettimbers asks...

Hi Daron! No question, but I loved how you made Marco less traditionally "masculine." Having a male character be that emotional and caring was really refreshing.

Aaron: I think Daron was surrounded by lots of "Marcos" on the production.

keezyb asks...

After the severing stone, were Star and Marco just pretending that it worked? Do they still remember the moment they fell in love?

Aaron: The severing stone did break the curse of the blood moon, but the reality is that the blood moon was not why Star and Marco liked each other. They were already developing feelings regardless of the blood moon. Breaking the curse, however, allowed them both to realize that their feelings had nothing to do with the blood moon.

IWantFries21 asks...

I'm shaking as I'm typing this. Star has been a big part of my life ever since it came out and I'm realllyyy glad I joined this subreddit in time to see that this AMA was happening.

Well here are my questions:

How did you get the inspiration to create Star vs. ? What was it like creating this magical world?

Did you ever imagine that the show would have the impact that it did ?

Who's your favorite character ?

Were there any characters or plotlines that you took inspiration from your own life for?

What has been your favorite fan interaction?

I know this subreddit most likely doesn't have any kids on it, but do you ever think about how you might have affected a little kid's life? If so, what's it like thinking about it? (Star came out when I was in middle school, so I wasn't necessarily a kid. But there are cartoons that have stuck with me since I watched them when I was little, so I imagine it must be like that with Star for someone).

What was it like when you had to wrap up Star? What did you feel when finishing "Cleaved"?

Do you feel that Star ended nicely, or do you think there's still more stories to be told?

Do you have any other shows in mind that you think you'll pursue?

Do you have any advice for someone who wants to pursue making their own show? I'm asking for a friend, who loves this show so much, and is working on her own cartoon, and I feel like she would really appreciate and love advice from you. (I like writing stories rather than making shows/cartoons since I'm not very artistic).

This is a question for Adam: What was it like finishing "Cleaved," from the perspective of someone who played one of the characters? As someone who knows Marco Diaz well, what do you imagine he's doing right now? (That was two questions, oops).

Anyway, I hope you guys answer these, and even if not, I hope you know that you really affected my life with Mewni and the adventures of Star Butterfly, Marco Diaz, and all of their friends. Thanks for sharing that world with us. You guys are awesome.

Aaron: wow, that's a lot of questions! I can answer #4!

Star on wheels was heavily influenced by a Story Daron told about when she first learned to ride a bike. What I remember from the story was that she didn't know how to brake and ended up falling in a lake.

Lava Lake beach was inspired by a story I shared in the writing room about when I was first dating my wife, I went up to the mountains with her family and ended up getting snowed in. that's one way to get to know someones parents!

iamnomod101 asks...

Guess I'll try to get this other question in before this ends...

If you could've crossed "Star" over with any other shows (I know Disney legal doesn't allow this), which ones would you pick? (I think "Rick and Morty" would be a great fit due to both series' reliance on interdimensional travel.)

Aaron: how about a three-show cross over! Star, Rick and Morty and Gravity Falls!

CattTheOne asks...

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Aaron: I think she liked him right from the beginning but it certainly began to grow after the bloodmoon ball.

xBlue_Moonx asks...

How do you feel about fans sending Disney Channel Executives corn and pudding?

Aaron: Or you could send corn dipped in pudding. Actually, no. Don't do that.

SailorRose23 asks...

How come the magic was still tainted after Toffee died? Was he not actually the cause of it?

Aaron: The magic realm is very sensitive, so when moon was transported to the magic realm the magic was then thrown out of balance.

LordEmmerich asks...

Weird question, but I have to ask it.

What was the hardest episode to write?

Aaron: 1st season finale was a tough one. Into the wand was also really tough.

BarcoDiaz asks...

u/Daron`Nefcy Thank you for a show that helped get me through some pretty tough times! Since everyone else needed pudding to stay sane in the realm of magic, did Glossaryck need pudding to stay sane outside of it?

Aaron: yes, if you qualify Glossaryck as sane.

3 Dominic Bisignano

withawoter36 asks...

Is SvtFoE over?

Dominic: Hope not!

tomzicare asks...

No questions, only wanted to say that this is the best cartoon in the past 15 years and I am deeply thankful for sharing Star and her universe with us.

Dominic: Thank you! We tried to make something that you'd like

ThatThiccGirl asks...

Hello, everyone!

Since Omnitraxus Prime no longer exists, does this mean that the other alternate universes, no longer exist outside of the canon?

Did the guy that Star turned into a squirrel, ever change back to normal after magic was destroyed, or will he forever be that way?

Dominic: No, the alternate universes are still there. Omni was just a middleman to accessing them. Good riddance! JK love you Omni

Daron thinks he turned back, but he has the painful memory of having been a squirreltoad.

RowanRedcap asks...

how is your day?

Dominic: It's okay. My kids were fighting over colored pencils this morning. Did anyone else go to see Fishbone and Parliament-Funkadelic last night?

red_salsa asks...

What band would Marco like better the cure or the Smiths?

Dominic: Bauhaus.

RaiSuperMeGamer asks...

Hi Daron, Adam & Dominic!

I will start by asking you, did you all have a good week? I hope you enjoy answering all the questions from the community ^ u ^

Dominic: Hey! This is great. This is my first time on Reddit and I am really enjoying all of your thoughtful feedback and criticism.

LockandKey989 asks...

Did you plan to have Seth as a villain but just never got the chance?

Did Toffee used to date Eclipsa? How old is he?

Did the MHC not notice Mina trying to kill moon or did they just not care. (Think they could “festivia” a new queen)

Could magic possibly regenerate in the universe. Like 100 years later?

Would the dark milhorse have destroyed all the realms?

Could the severing stone have severed Mina from her powers

Did the old queens “cease” or did their souls just go to the underworld like everyone else’s

Why is Marcos wand so “evil” looking? Monster arm?

Dominic: We can still do something with Seth if they make more show. We never planned to have him in the show as it is now. Seth is in the book because we wanted it to have supplemental stuff that wouldn’t be in the show.

ImPoppySeed asks...

Any ideas for future projects? (related to star and otherwise)

Dominic: I (Dominic) am working on Megan Dong’s unannounced show at Netflix and I have something in development at WB. Aaron is on Jurassic World: Camp Cretaceous. Daron is working on surprises ;) Adam just did voice work for Big City Greens (an episode written by Ariel Vracin-Harel)!

hearrrrrrtdiamonds asks...

Uh, does Toffee have a backstory or was he just included for the plot?

Dominic: Yes!

Gabriel38 asks...

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Dominic: There are too many things to properly address here! But these are all great! Break them up! Less is more.
To the idea that destroying magic would kill trillions, well, not trillions...

Frescopino asks...

If Disney had absolutely nothing to do with anything in SvTfOE, how long would you have run the show, and what subjects would you have inserted in the story?

Dominic: Personally it would have been nice to be able to ignore episode lengths. Big picture, Disney isn’t a place to try and make episodes that are slow, or that don’t have a lot “jokes”; episodes without dialog you’ll almost never see. So those are other limitations. When we made Ludo in the Wild, it was really challenging getting that through; I can’t speak to anyone else’s preferences, but I personally would like to have done a few more stories that were slow and explored character more. What do you think?

CoralineSparkss asks...

Hi everyone!!

These are some of my questions:

The tapestry Glossaryck shows Star, of her destroying the magic, was it really finished? Because I could see the hole that Glossaryck left in the episode "Into the Wand".

Why does Marco not appear on Star's tapestry? I mean that the other tapestries of the queens do not show their husbands or someone very important to them, but Star's tapestry was different, we could see all the people and monsters important to her ...

Dominic: Marco isn't in Star's tapestry because he was supposed to be back on earth, but those crazy kids altered the universe, changing the future.

cmonstarship asks...

Are Star and Marco going to get married and have children?

Why the decision to get rid of magic in the show?

Are Jackie and Star bisexual?

Is there any possibility of more content in the future?

What happened to Star's outfit from the season 4 poster, why was she never seen wearing it in the show?

Dominic: Star and Marco kids - maybe? I'd ask Star and Marco? What do you like/don't you like about the possibility of them having kids?

Keep asking for more Star if you want more! Sign the change.org thingy :)

Getting rid of magic - we wanted to pay off the end of the Toffee story with Toffee having been right all along. It sort of kept him alive in a way that wouldn't have been as satisfying if he was still around physically.

Bisexuality - maybe? I'd ask Janna and Star? Personally I'm more interested in your impressions and what you see in their relationship that resonates with you?

Star's outfit -

Cadenreigns asks...

1) There's been speculation that season four wasn't originally intended to be the final one, what with the first half being so much slower than the second half and possible story points from earlier episodes Star potentially being replaced by a magic memory clone in "Into the Wand," the Monster Arm's final speech, and even the almost completely unprompted off-screen breakup between Marco and Kelly) seemingly being dropped or outright ignored to help push the final narrative. Can you confirm if there's any truth to this, and, if so, how would you have liked to handle things differently?

2) What are the rules of the magical creatures not surviving the destruction of the magical realm? It seems the Glossaryck family didn't survive, but it's been stated that the laser puppies did but became "less laser-y." But why should they survive when, as far as I'm aware, they were made of magic and not summoned from somewhere else.

3) What about Marco and Jackie's relationship "didn't fit" exactly? Other than cape fiasco, which came off more of Marco having a lust for adventure than anything else, and the party, pretty much every onscreen interaction they had was positive and healthy. Additionally, why did Marco and Star never take her on any adventures? She seems like she would have been a perfect fit for that.

4) *The show tried to have important messages at times such as race and gender, but the final message of the show seemed to be that it's okay to throw away your family, friends, and life in general for a relationship at 15. Do you think this is an appropriate lesson to put out there when the target demographic seems to be children at or approaching that age?*

Dominic: As far as I know season 4 was always going to be the last one. Making an 11 minute animated series for a network like Disney is pretty complicated - not sure I can get into the intricacies of the bureaucracy, or if it would even be interesting.

I look at the show as an entire piece. As a piece I am proud of it. My favorite shows have episodes that are weird/rushed/wonky/fillery. If you're honest and look at your favorite show, you'll probably see this there too.

Maybe this wasn't your favorite show, but thanks for watching! I hope you liked what you liked

BarcoDiaz asks...

At what point during the shows development was it determined that Mewni was a matriarchy instead of a patriarchy?

Dominic: From the beginning.

Allusion-Conclusion asks...

How are we as an audience supposed to interpret the idea of a French Summer? (More so Marco's Mewni summer rather than Jackie's literal one).

Dominic: I've never been to France in the summer, but I was in the Italian alps one summer. It was nice.

ZachSharkAttack asks...

Was there a planned season 4 intro? It felt weird to still have to go through the season 3 intro cause it was so outdated still seeing Ludo taken over by Toffee and all.

Dominic: Agreed.

notalive_zombie asks...

So whose babies did Ludo steal in order to buy back buffrogs loyalty?

Dominic: He stole them from an orphanage.

Katy25XD asks...

What it means The skulls that Toffee uses on his shoulders????

Dominic: They are called pauldrons.

Notxwhiledrive asks...

Any regrets about the show? Anything you would've changed in retrospect? Linger in this sub for a while and oh boy, you will see lot of things we would change.

Also what time period was the First mewman from? Their attire seems to indicate pilgrims from the mayflower settlers but the timeline does not work out, and they emerged from the Earth Well in California a whole coast away from where they first landed

Thanks for doing this AMA and for SvTFOE! Its cheesy to say but this is the first cartoon that truly impacted me. I have made great strides from my art directly because of this show

Dominic: This is a great question! Anything I would have changed in retrospect? Sure! It's complex - I don't think the stuff I'd change and what you'd change are in the same universe. I haven't spent much time here, but from this AMA I can see that y'all have a lot things you'd like to see!

The stuff I'd do differently has more to do with I guess pushing to get Disney to embrace doing different kinds of episodes - slower episodes, episodes that explore character over the save the cat beats, and not putting jokes in for the sake of having jokes.

Anas526_KSA asks...

Do you like cookies?

Dominic: The sea salt chocolate chip ones.

4 Adam McArthur

VercingetorixF2 asks...

To Daron:

1. What were Issues 5-8/ending of Deep Trouble going to be like?

Originally, you planned on pitching a 22th Episode for Season 3 if Season 4 was not greenlit. What was this episode gonna be like?

What is your favorite Kyoani anime?

To Adam:

Do you read the My Hero Academia manga? If so, are you caught up?

Adam: I don't read the Manga! I'm caught up on the series and am super excited for season 4! I've heard some crazy stuff goes down - I cannot WAIT ı My Hero

nerdman01 asks...

This one's for Adam or anyone else that wants to answer.

I've always been kind of curious what the process is for becoming a voice actor. It's something I've always had a bit of an interest in, so I wonder what your experience has been like. Thanks, and have a great day!

Adam: I could go on and on about this! My best advice would be to check out iwanttobeavoiceactor.com! Read everything there.

FightPretty asks...

Were there plans for Kelly and Marco's relationship that weren't able to become fruition? If so what were those plans.

Also you're show was amazing! I loved it, thank you and your people for your hard work!

Adam: We loved and we lost. We simply... grew apart.

some_guy10000 asks...

What did you feel about the petition for a season 5?

Adam: I think it's amazing!

Sofiantkiv111 asks...

Why did Glossaryk react so calmly on Star's decision to destroy magic if he knew that he would be killed to? Was it a part of his mysterious plan?

Adam: Glossaryk is beyond life and death. He knows the past future and present. He is all of us, yet none of us. He's right behind you.

RedEyedReaper1 asks...

I would like to know:

1. *Why did Toffee call Marco a Disappointment in the finale of season 1?*
2. *Was Monster arm bluffing that Marco would never get rid of it as we didn't see it ever again in the series?*
3. *Would you like to do some sort of continuation of the series if you ever have the chance again?*
4. *Whose Voice was that which told Marco that Blood moon is the night of lovers in season 1?*

Adam: Hi!

He thought Marco would be more of an adversary!

The Monster Arm is still dormant in Marco. He better make sure his immune system stays strong.

Yes!

That was the voice of Alphonse! Eclipsa's dad and the sea captain from the painting!

penguintruth asks...

Who is the best queen and why is it Eclipsa?

Adam: Hahahaha

OGRaincoatKilla asks...

Are there any further details about Dave Lucitor and the wider Lucitor family you'd be willing to share? Is Dave a Butterfly family relative whose marriage is what formed the alliance between Mewni and the Underworld, did they meet under more natural circumstances, is he not a Mewman at all?

Thank you for your time.

Adam: Dave was just a regular old Mewman who worked as a Barista at the coffee shop Lady Lucitor frequented. She tipped well and he fell in love. The end.

MaaarkGG asks...

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Adam: Thank youuuuu!

Joe_Zt (again) asks...

About the graffiti on earth showing how the first settlers got to Mewni: how did it get there? None of the first Mewman settlers knew how they got there.

Adam: The brainwashing effect of the magic lasts longer/shorter on different people. Those people may have gotten their memory back like Queen Moon.

Joe_Zt asks...

How did you manage to get away with all the creepy stalker stuff that Janna does to Marco? Because obviously it would never fly if they were genderswapped.

Adam: Marco gave his consent. Although he doesn't remember.

FightPretty (again) asks...

This question is for Adam, in what ways do you feel similar to Marco?

Also bonus question: If you had to pick a person for Marco to be with other than Star, who would you choose and why?

Adam: If you say Tom I'm gonna vomit! :D

danilga1 asks...

This one is for Adam, Which episode of Star vs the forces of evil is your favorite and why?

You are amazing dude, I will love to see your future projects!!

Thanks if you read this Marco

Adam: Thank you!! I really loved recording Running with Scissors!

Vaylon asks...

First, I'd like to thank all of you for creating Star vs. the Forces of Evil. Your cheerful series got me through a difficult time and inspired me to start writing again. Thank you, truly.

My question is about the second season – in particular, about the "Starbruary" episodes that aired in February 2017. I had a crazy theory that those episodes contained an elaborate reference to Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade. If I was right about that, where was that reference leading?

Thanks again for your work.

Adam: Your theory is awesome! But there wasn't any connection :)

theoritically (again) asks...

Why was Gustav measuring the Diaz's in their sleep? I don't think we ever got an explanation on that

Adam: He wanted to make them custom suits out of Alpaca wool.

theoritically asks...

In the blood moon ball episode, was it really the old man in the painting talking to him, or was it all in Marcos imagination?

Adam: It was really the old man! That's Eclipsa's dad!

TheNextBigThingYT asks...

8. How come Marco's cheeks lit up as moons instead of nachos for example? Were they connected to Celena or the original Butterflies in some way?

Adam: I love the idea of Nacho cheek marks! I think they were moons because the same magic that flowed through Celena flowed through Marco.

Steve1062004 asks...

OK, I am really bad at greeting people but hello anyway!

I have a few pretty negligible question here:

Since one minute is equal to two years in Hekapoo's dimension, which means time there runs more than a million time faster, does this mean she can be nearly as old as Glossaryck?

So, Brunzetta is like a goddess of thunder, right? (She can teleport, use power of lighting, and live for like millions of years) Is Hekapoo or the MHC aware of her existence? She's a really powerful being with magical-like powers.

Are all of her powers gone with magic? Does that mean she will die like Mother Gothel in Rapunzel?

Adam: Yes

Yes. They have no idea about her.

To be determined....

starcoshippers asks...

Do you think Star and Marco will be girlfriend and boyfriend forever like Mickey and Minnie or would they eventually get married in the future?

Adam: We don't know what will happen in the future, but right now they're very much in love.

RowanRedcap asks...

how is your day?

Adam: Good! I need a boba!

Joe_Zt (again again) asks...

How did Ludo amass his army?

Adam: He bullied his monster army into submission until they agreed to follow him. What a jerk!

CoralineSparkss (again) asks...

If they had had more time for the final episode, what other things would they have added?

Adam: Probably wouldn't have added anything - just taken more time for the big moments. Let it all breathe more.

CoralineSparkss asks...

What properties does the pudding have to prevent them from losing their memory in the Realm of Magic? haha I loved that

Adam: Corn syrup :D

citrus_salad asks...

If you were given the chance to make a season 5 what would you have changed in season 4?

Adam: Nothing :D

Bryanx95 asks...

*To Adam: If Star didn't end up with Marco, then who would you have wanted to end up with Marco?
To everyone: Who was your favorite ship in the show?*

Adam: Hmm..... call me crazy..... but..... Janna.

XxArTuRo2345xX asks...

*ADAM AND DARON
Do you like Marvel movies, Comics, videogames etc?*

Adam: Yes! All of the above, but mostly the first and third.

WillWrambles asks...

In each of your opinions, what would StarFan13's real name be?

Adam: Daron says, Amanda Jacobs. I say, Deborah Perla.

theoritically (again again) asks...

Why did toffee need his finger back so badly? I'm not sure if this was ever explained

Adam: He's supposed to regenerate. Losing his finger was the one thing that proved he was mortal. It drove him crazy... so he needed it back.

StormyKnight18 asks...

What ever happened to Nachos? Does he live with Marco?

Adam: Yes. But he's an outside dragon.

starco_jannabanana asks...

Did Tom lose his fire powers or is that just a natural thing demons can do?

Adam: That's just a demon thing!

sloppyjeaux asks...

-is father time a magical entity? did he vanish from existence like the mhc?

Adam: He's a spiritual entity. It's different.

SirMarcoDiaz asks...

Hi Adam!!

What do you see Marco doing in his future?? Thanks for reading!

Adam: Hi! Hopefully supporting Star in whatever she's doing, as well as still using those butt-kicking skills he developed in the Neverzone!

scooterloser asks...

Hello!! Is King Shastacan named after the soda?

Adam: For legal reasons, no.

maupalo asks...

If (or when) Star and Marco have a child, what would his/her name be?

Adam: Adam McArthur.

mangococonut12 asks...

Does marco still have the princess turdina costume?

Thanks!

Adam: Of course he does! It's not a costume. AND it still fits :)

Joe_Zt (again again again) asks...

Would Marco and Jackie have ever gotten together if Star had never showed up?

Adam: They did get together! And we saw how that played out :)

Hiofshao_Quask asks...

What is the song at the end of Kelly's world (after Marco and Kelly's fight) ?

Adam: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQw4w9WgXcQ>

corrosive-candor asks...

Where do you guys do casting for the voice actors of the show?

Adam: Disney has a great casting team!