

## 12/17/2024 - 12/18/2024 Daily OFMD Recap

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TLDR; Happy birthday Jes Tom!; Galaxy Con Columbus OFMD Panel; Rhys Darby; Taika Waititi; Con O'Neill; Nathan Foad; Vico Ortiz; Samba Schutte; Ruiibo Qian; Alex Sherman; Anapela Polata'ivao; Adam Stein; Articles; Fan Spotlight: OFMD Buys Boats; OFMD Advent Calendar; Love Notes;

### == Happy Belated Birthday Jes Tom! ==

One of our wonderful writers, Jes Tom, had a birthday on 12/18/2024! Happy belated birthday dear!!



Source: [Jes Tom's Bsky](#)

### = Cast & Crew Birthdays =

I've been trying to collect cast and crew birthdays that I could find - [Birthday Calendar](#) and there's a few more coming up soon!

- Dec 28th - David Fane
- Dec 30th - Nathan Foad
- Jan 1 - Ruiibo Qian!

If you happen to know more that aren't on the calendar yet, please feel free to reach out to me! I've been trying to add them as I find them but I'm sure I'm missing many! <3 (I'm happy to credit you of course too!)

### == Galaxy Con Columbus ==

Good news! The OFMD panel is now available on Youtube!

Source: [Galaxy Con Youtube](#)

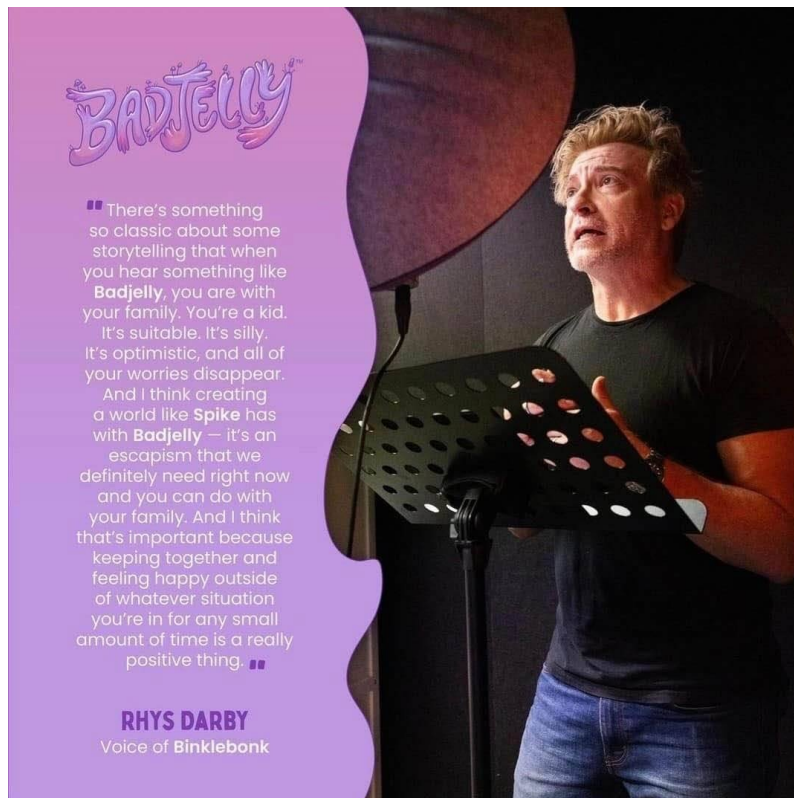
= Rhys Darby =

A new Bad Jelly Trailer is out!

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Source: [BadJellyTV](#)

A little quote from Rhys about Bad Jelly!



Source: [SphereAnimation](#)

There was an article about Rhys in BMA Magazine with this lovely spread!



Source: [BMA Magazine](#)

= Taika Waititi =

Hey! Wonderful news! Taika is going to be Honored with the Norman Lear Achievement at the 2025 Producers Guild Awards.

"The Norman Lear Award **recognizes a producer or producing team for their extraordinary body of work in television**. It has been awarded to individuals whose leadership and creativity have made profound contributions to the television industry"

- ProducersGuild.org

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Dec 18, 2024 10:00am PT

## Taika Waititi to Be Honored With Norman Lear Achievement at 2025 Producers Guild Awards

By Matt Minton

Gareth Cattermole/Getty Images for Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures UK

Source: [Producers Guild Instagram](#)

= Con O'Neill =

There's a new SAS Rogue Heroes Trailer!

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Source: [Instagram](#)

= Nathan Foad =

Nathan is sending some love to one of our crew members-- apparently they made this lovely scarf for Nathan's Mom! Who was this!? Let me know! I'd love to credit you!



Source: [Nathan Foad's Instagram Stories](#)

= Vico Ortiz =

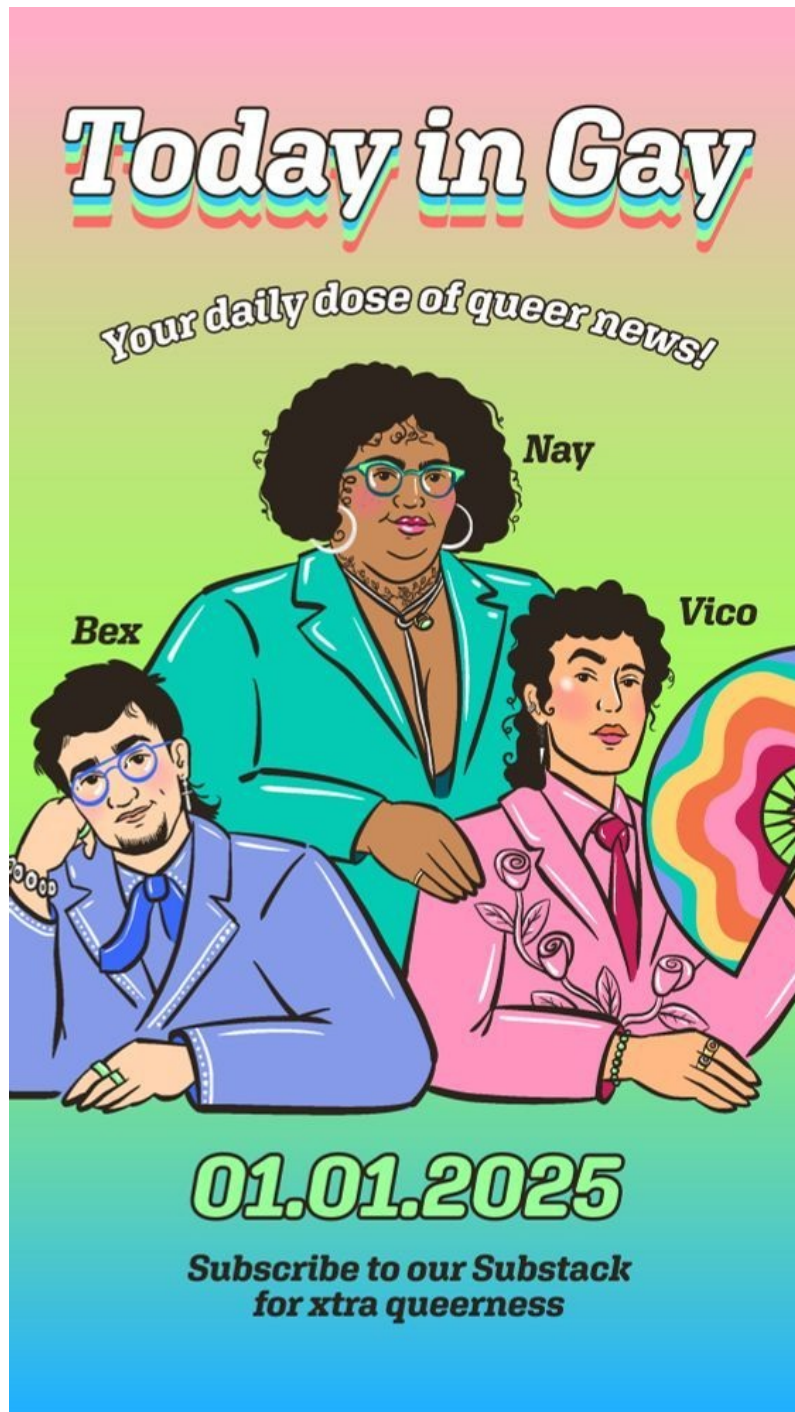
Vico is working on a new project!

Today in Gay is going to be available Monday Through Friday with a daily dose of

queer news -- and good queer news! It'll be hosted by several queer icons, Jasmin Savoy Brown, Nay Bever, Vico Ortiz and Bex Taylor-Klaus.

"Lauren Klein joined as Executive Producer, Editor, and Composer. Hannah Nobrega is our behind-the-scenes Researcher and Jax Ko, our Co-Producer and Creative Director, has done all of our visual design. Kalie Chebib is our Social Media Manager and our Supervising Producer is Maritza Navarro. Linh Nguyen keeps us all running as our Executive Assistant! We are all proud members of the LGBTQIA+ community, and we're all here to make your day a little more gay."

- [Today In Gay Is Your New Go-To Daily News Podcast Article!](#)
- [Today in Gay Substack](#)



Source: [Vico's Bsky](#)

= Samba Schutte =

Samba received some lovely gifts from our dear crewmate [@amuseoffyre](#)! He sent

lots of love their way on his Instagram Stories!



More work by Samba -- Parallel Episode 3 is out on Amazon and there's a new Trailer!

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Source: [Samba's Instagram](#)

= Ruibo Qian =

Just a quick shot of our Pirate Queen <3



Source: [Ruibo's Instagram stories](#)

### = Alex Sherman =

Alex Sherman is still raising funds for the Experience Camp he has volunteered for in the past! It helps kids who have lost family members get a fun week away to help to process their feelings, and have a great time. [Check out the donation page here if you're interested / able to help out!](#)



Source: [Alex Shermans Instagram](#)


## = Anapela Polata'ivao =

Our Auntie, Anapela Polata'ivao was selected for Story Camp Aotearoa 2025!

"Story Camp is a residential feature film development lab that fosters craft, voice and vision with a programme designed to meet the development needs of each writer and project. Over the week, the participating writers and their collaborators workshop their feature film projects with exceptional local and international advisors. Congratulations to the filmmakers whose feature film projects will be developed through

Story Camp Aotearoa 2025 - The Factory Anapela Polataivao and Vela Manusaute - Co-Writers"





**I was a counselor over the summer. I saw firsthand the effect this camp has.**

**From grief to play to coping strategies, it only took a few days for campers to open up and share feelings they've never shared before.**

**Link in bio!!**

Source: [Script to Screen](#)

### **= Adam Stein =**

Our producer and actor, Adam Stein, was spotlighted by Management LA this past week!

"Adam is currently a Consulting Producer on Apple TV+'s THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME. Previous to that, he was an Executive Producer on Max's TOKYO VICE and OUR FLAG MEANS DEATH. Other recent shows include SEE (Apple TV+, Co-Executive Producer), DESIGNATED SURVIVOR (Netflix, Consulting Producer), THE EXORCIST (Fox, Co-Executive Producer) and UNDER THE DOME (CBS, Supervising Producer). He got his start in television on FX's DAMAGES, and began his career as a writer doing features for GQ magazine. He has written pilots for Amazon, ABC, AMC Studios, FX and others. Currently, he's playing Lucky in a production of Waiting for Godot at the [@geffenplayhouse](#) through December 21!"



@kryatoson

What word resonates with you the most, and why?

**I'm gonna go with versatility, which my computer defines as "the ability to adapt to many different functions or activities." I like to mix it up.**

Source: Adam Stein's Instagram


## == Articles ==

Many thanks to our friends over at [@adoptourcrew](#) for keeping us up to date with every article under the sun featuring our show!

[The 30 Best TV Shows on Max](#)

@cryptostein

What movie or show has remained a constant source of inspiration?



Apparently I'm stuck in the mid-80s with my most constant inspirations, but [Moonlighting](#) (premiered in 1985) and [Broadcast News](#) (1987) have been touchstones for what's getting close to FORTY YEARS. Moonlighting, for its exceptional dialogue and formal adventurousness, and Broadcast News for its exquisite character development and expert balancing of tone. Also, I'd like to think of myself as a perfect composite of David Addison and Aaron Altman.

The 10 Most Shocking TV Show Cancellations of 2024

Source: [Adopt Our Crew Instagram](#)

## == Fan Spotlight ==

= OFMD Buys Boats =

The Tiny Crew Big Raffle team is posting the final numbers for donations to the various non-profits by cast member over the next several days!

- Lindsey Cantrell - Inner City Arts - US \$865.80, £312.88, €15, CAD\$12.45
- Megan Vertelle - Sheldrick Wildlife Trust - US \$901.95, £105, €215, CAD\$20

Such wonderful work crew! Well done!

@cryptostein

What current project ignites your passion the most?



I'll be honest, the whole "Tell us why you're passionate about this idea" thing that happens in pitches has always bugged me. As if passion were the only ingredient essential to writing a good story. It can help, sure, but it's not necessary. I imagine Micaela Coel was passionate about telling her story in *I May Destroy You*, but was Vince Gilligan passionate about the idea of a chemistry teacher becoming a meth dealer? I doubt it; it was just a fucking great story. That said, there's an idea I've had a while based on the (made up) discovery of a private tunnel from the home of Warren Beatty to the Playboy Mansion which I haven't quite cracked.

@cryptostein

What's a song you're listening to on repeat?

Well, if you asked my Apple Replay™ this question, the answer would be George Michael's "Soul Free."



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Source: [OFMD Buys Boats Instagram](#)

## = OFMD Advent Calendar =

ANNNNND OFMD Advent Calendar is still going strong! Thank you so much to [@tillychmo](#) (as well as the fun door images!) for hosting this wonderful even! You can follow along on bluesky on [@ofmdadventcalendar.bsky.social](#)!

The 12th door features some very sweet artwork by the fab [@intheblanketfort](#)! aka [@intheblanketfort.bsky.social](#)!

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### How do you measure success in your creative journey?



When I was younger, I'd see people I knew measuring success in competitive terms — getting the job that other people didn't get, winning an award that other people didn't win. That always felt kinda gross to me. I think the measure is the relationships one builds and maintains. Success, to me, is being someone that other people want to work with and can depend on.

The 13th Door features beautiful work by [@kuuttamo.bsky.social!](#)

The 14th Door features an ADORABLE lego surprise by [@politestmenace.bsky.social!](#)




## The 30 Best TV Shows on Max

Veep, Game of Thrones, The Sopranos, and more.

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## The 10 Most Shocking TV Show Cancellations of 2024

See the 10 most surprising TV show cancellations of 2024 that left fans reeling.



By [Jonnalyn Cortez](#)  
Contributor

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The Totals!



US\$901.95  
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8 adoptions

Selected by [Megan Ferelle](#) #TinyCrewBigRaffle

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Selected by [Lindsay Cantrell](#) #TinyCrewBigRaffle

The 15th Door features a super cool OFMD Holiday RPG by [@alimasin!](#) aka [@alimasin.bsky.social!](#)

Source: [OFMD Advent Calendar Bsky](#)

== Love Notes ==

Hey there lovelies! Well getting two out in one day didn't work out, so I will try to make sure I'm catching up with 2 days at time as much as I can over the next few days!

have a very important question to ask you—and that is, have you laughed today? Did you know  
 **OFMD Advent Calendar 2024** @ofmdadventcalendar.bsky.social  
Happy 12th of December! 🎄🥰

Behind today's door hides a wonderful, pencil-drawn piece of art from  
[@intheblanketfort.bsky.social](#) 🎨 — please go shower them with love for  
it! 🥰

"Ed Keeps Watch on a Snowy Evening":  
[archiveofourown.org/works/60967537](https://archiveofourown.org/works/60967537)

#OFMDadventCalendar #OFMD #OurFlagMeansDeath



laughter can reduce anxiety, and stress, stimulate your lungs, heart and muscles? It's actually pretty damn awesome how much a good old fashioned guffaw can make us feel better.

Is there something you know for a fact will make you laugh? (For me it's silly cat videos, or Stede boarding the tiny fisherman's boat in the pilot of the hit series OFMD). Maybe it's stand up comedy— or puns, or dark humor. Whatever it is that tickles your funny bone, I would request that today you go and just partake in some giggles. They can be small, or big, but do something that makes you laugh <3

Below are some things that have given me some giggles in the past. I hope if nothing else they give you a smile. Sending so many hugs lovelies. I'm thinking of you <3



Source: [Instagram](#)



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