12/23/2024 - 12/26/2024 Daily OFMD Recap

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TLDR; David Jenkins; Rhys Darby; Taika Waititi; Con O'Neill; Nathan Foad; Kristian Nairn; Samson Kayo; Brian Gattas & Connor Barrett; Damien Gerard; Articles; Fan Spotlight: TinyCrewBigDonations; NeverLeftPodcast; OFMD Advent Calendar; Love Notes

= David Jenkins =

David was out on Christmas Eve getting a tattoo in honor of his new baby Zosia and Kinga!







Source: David Jenkins Instagram

Also, in case you haven't seen yet, David has been writing some OFMD Fanfiction, or a Christmas Special since Christmas Eve on his Bluesky. Due to it spanning multiple days, and me not knowing when I'll get the next recap out, I'm putting in as much as I can now.



David Jenkins

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1775. An editor comes into work on Christmas eve to find a manuscript on his desk. The title: A HISTORY OF PYRATES by Charles Johnson. (We have no budget so we'll say the editor is played by Michael Stuhlbarg).



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 3h

He thumbs through the draft: a scene where a silly fancy pirate robs a fern from some fishermen. Another where he crosses blades in the moonlight with the legendary Blackbeard. Another where they pine for each other from a great distance.



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He thumbs further, grudgingly interested. These two pirates settle down with each other. The start a B and B. Huh. The editor is interested now. He reads the last third of the manuscript in detail.



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Open on a beach. Nancy Sinatra's "You Only Live Twice" plays (the track from the movie, this is important. It has the best intro and for some reason is only sporadically available on Spotify). We use the classic James Bond opening iris to find a now established inn on a beautiful stretch of beach.



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White linen flows beautifully as it's laid out on a table. Laid by coinnkeeper Ed, with great satisfaction. He lays out glassware. Perfect. Flowers. Perfect. He is content in this working meditation. He is precise in his adjustments to create beauty.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 2h

Over the following: "You only live twice or so it seems. Once for your life and once for your dreams."



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Meanwhile, a cluster of frustrated guests attempt to check in with a flustered Stede. The inn has become quite popular. A well-heeled family has hired it out to host a wedding banquet.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 2h

They're dicks. Very demanding. This is a Christmas event and they want everything to be perfect. Stede's overwhelmed and put upon at the front desk, Ed's nowhere to be found. (Song: "You drift through the years and life seems tame.") The year is 1719, two years after the events of the second season.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1h

The inn has become a bit of a bougie destination. A kitschy remnant of the bygone golden age of piracy run by two eccentrics who were apparently involved somehow.



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Stede assures the guest of honor that their stay will be smooth. They've rented out the entire inn after all. The guest asks him if the rumors of his pirate days were true. Stede says they're largely embellished. A marketing hook that has worked to attract attention.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1h

He looks at a model of a pirate ship on the front desk. Crossfade to: The Revenge, powering through the seas.



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First mate Jimenez (Jim to a lucky few) barks orders to the crew. New faces (tbd) in addition to old (Archie, Fang, The Swede, Lucius, Black Pete, Roach). Jim very much resembles Izzy in style with them own unique flair.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1h

We see the ship has been rechristened "Izzy's Revenge."



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1h

Jim reports to the Captain's quarters. They are approaching the English fleet, as instructed. "Yeah, well, great, fantastic," says Captain Frenchie. "Initiate plan A."



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1h

The English fleet looks at the approaching ship. Surely it can't be pirates. No pirate captain is dumb enough to approach warships. They spy a white flag on the ship. The bridge appears to be on fire. The occupants seem to be merchants in distress.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1h

Once aboard an English ship, Black Pete confirms they were indeed attacked by pirates. A Christmas Day attack no less. Clearly these pirates were godless and had no regard for a holy day. Lucius says they were bringing food and clothing to the poor on behalf of a Dutch merchant.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 1m

* Tired and building a crib. Goodnight and merry Christmas Eve you beautiful bastards. To be continued... *



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The rest of the English fleet is dispatched to find and destroy the "pirate attackers." The captain of the English fleet consoles our crew. Prince Richard has mostly cleared the seas of piracy. He's parlayed the destruction of the Republic of Pirates into becoming Governor of nearby New York.



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Jim says they're huge fans of Prince Ricky. The captain tells them they're headed to his Christmas festivity in New York City. Frenchie feigns surprise at this. He'd love to meet the Prince Governor. The captain laughs. His Highness doesn't make a habit of granting average merchants an audience.



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Roach holds a knife to the captain's throat. Perhaps he'll make an exception for these merchants. Captain Frenchie explains the survivors of the Republic of Pirates Massacre would like to send the Prince a Christmas gift. Pirates haven't been abolished. "We've just become more cautious."



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The English captain laughs. No matter what they do, these pirates are dead. Smoke appears in the horizon. The rest of the English fleet burns in the distance. They've been ambushed by the other survivors. Five other pirate crews who've been biding their time since Ricky's attack.



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Jim invites the captain and crew to join or die. "You silly puta bitches. We can't be wiped out. We have too much work to do." Roach releases a carrier pigeon. The mainland should be alerted, the plan is in motion.



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Meanwhile at the Inn, Ed regales guests about Stede's murder of Captain Badminton and Admiral Badminton. He's rewritten it to enhance Stede's cunning and ruthlessness. The guests hang on every word. Why did he murder both brothers? Ed supposes he did it for love.



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Stede interrupts and calls Ed aside. Can he please help make up some of the rooms? Stede is drowning. They're at full capacity. Ed bristles at this. He's really more of a "front of the house guy,," they've talked about this. Stede says that's not a thing. This is basically a two man operation.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 26m

Ed says Stede's being melodramatic. That's why they hired Applejack, an amiable drifter who helps with odd chores around the inn (again, as our budget is unlimited, Applejack is played by Kevin Bacon).



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 22m

A guest asks for an extra room key. Stede calls for Applejack, who runs to the front desk to help the guest. Stede says he wishes he had ten more just like him. Ed mutters "I bet." Stede asks what that's supposed to mean? Ed says Stede gets nervous whenever Applejack is around. For some reason.



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Stede denies this, but it's clear he has an affinity for this handsome drifter turned handyman / bellman / bar back / chambermaid.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 24m

Stede: "Applejack's a good man and a solid employee." Still, even with the help, the inn has become a management feat. It's been two years since they discovered the place and renovated it, and a little over a year since it opened to customers. Ed and Stede never dreamed it would catch on so quickly.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 21m

Ed: "People like that we were pirates mate. It's one of the main things that draws a crowd." Ed sees it as his job to tell stories of their buccaneering past even if he stops short of telling everyone he was the legendary Blackbeard.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 19m

For Stede's part, he'd just as soon leave that life behind. He'd quit just as he was making a name for himself, which had been his lifelong dream. Better alive as Ed and Stede than dead as "Gentlebeard" as the couple were starting to be known in pirate lore.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 15m

How much time can one spend as a lawless brigand before their ticket gets punched? Their brush with Ned Lowe followed by the untimely death of Izzy Hands soured Stede's romantic notion of piracy. Less and less in love with death, he was increasingly scared of losing whatever life he and Ed shared.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 12m

Ed bristles at the mention of Izzy. He clearly feels Izzy's death was his fault. And he was always worried that he'd pay for the horrible things he did to one of the only two people on earth who truly loved him unconditionally. Some not small part of him still feels cursed by the loss of Izzy.



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Stede tells Ed it's better if they just let the past be and make this work. He thought the inn was their ultimate reward. They haven't even gotten to build the bait shop addition yet. Ed: "Bait shop?" Stede: "Yes. Remember?" Ed: Why in the hell would we have a bait shop?"



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 6m

Stede: "You don't remember?" Ed: "I said something about a bait shop? Must've been loaded, mate." Stede tells Ed it doesn't matter. What matters is they have a full inn, an event to plan, and Ed needs to do more than obsess about linens (Ed loves the linen management aspect of innkeeping) and tell...



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 4m

... tall tales of their criminal past to guests. Ed doesn't know who any of these people are. What if someone is looking for them? No more "front of house / back of house" bullshit. They both need to do everything to make this place a success. Applejack can only help so much, he's drunk half the time.



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Ed, chastened, says he'll do what he can. Stede says he better. He's not changing his life a third time, this place needs to work. He marches off to deal with a wedding cake delivery. The icing is melting in the hot Caribbean sun.



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 3h

Ed decides to take a smoke break. He puffs his pipe outside, talking to someone off camera. "I don't know, mate. Thought this was the thing. And I do love aspects of it. Flower arrangement. Linens. We spent a fortune on the linens, but god they're lovely. But it seems like we're almost... roommates."



David Jenkins @david-jenkins.bsky.social · 3h

"Coworkers definitely. We built the place together and that was fun. But the whole customer service aspect. And you know, I don't think he even loves it? Spends half his time muttering in his sleep about The Revenge."



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Reverse to find Ed is talking to "Izzy." Or his grave at least. Ed's cordoned it off with a white picket fence and keeps it well. "I guess you're right. I have a hard time just being content." Ed explains that he does want the place to succeed, but he wants to do it with his partner.



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He didn't want the stress of the thing and the daily drudgery to pull them apart. The whole point of the thing is they could do it together without getting murdered. It was the ultimate retirement plan.



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"Pff. You didn't even know what retirement was ya twat." Izzy's voice, clear as day. Ed looks up quickly. No one is there.

Source: David Jenkins Bluesky

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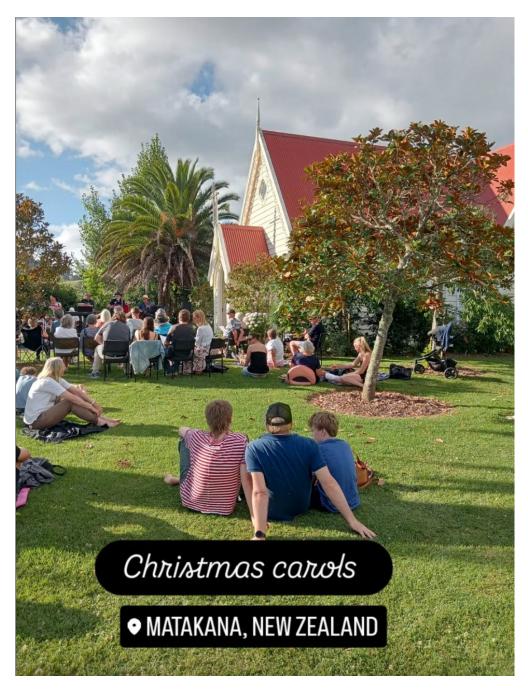
= Rhys Darby =

Our captain sent us a lovely message with an older picture of him.

Life is beautiful



And he spent the holidays in Aotearoa with the family!



Source: Rosie's IG

Another trailer for Badjelly!

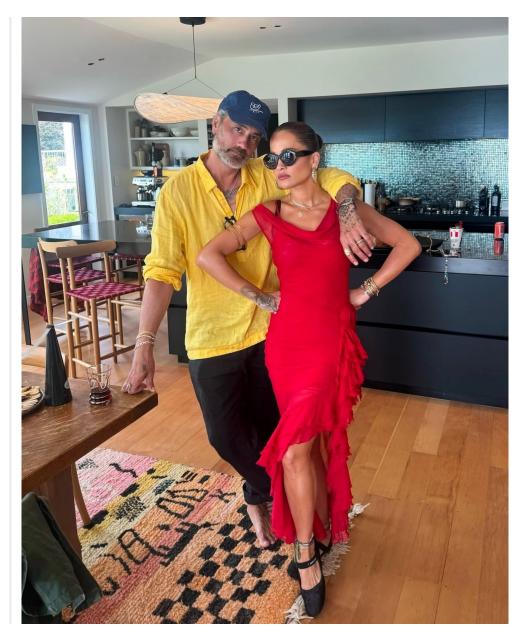
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Source: BadJellyTV

= Taika Waititi =

Taika also happened to be in Aotearoa for the holidays!





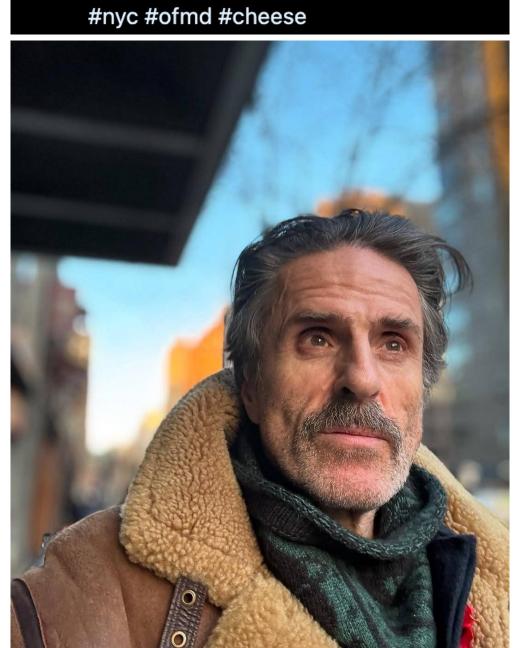
Source: VasJMorgan's Instagram / Mariana Vivanco's Instagram

= Con O'Neill =

Con had a beautiful message for everyone <3



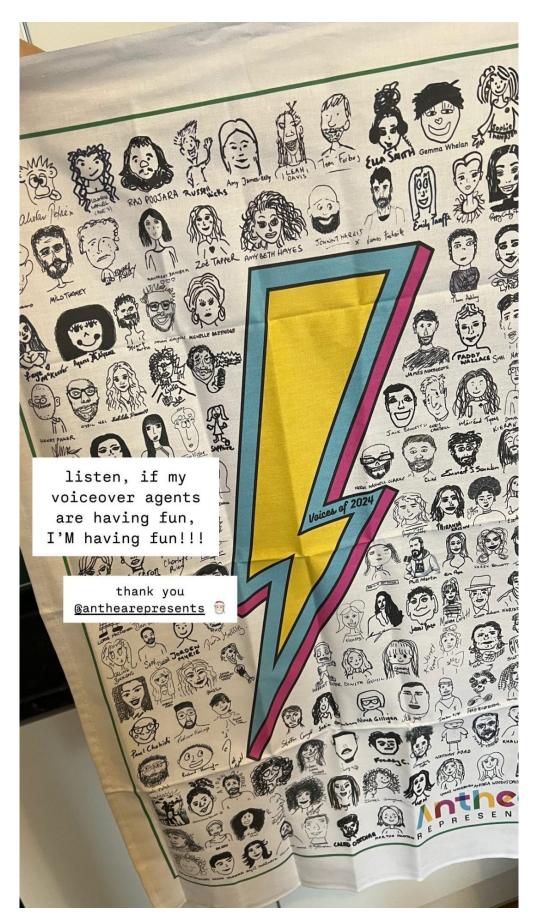
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Happy holidays you gorgeous bastards
xxx



Source: Con O'Neill's Instagram

= Nathan Foad =

Nathan's voiceover agents had fun doodling their clients! Can you find Nathan?



Source: Nathan's Instagram Stories

= Kristian Nairn =

Kristian is sending some updates on his new Spectrum playlists, Cameo's and orders from his website! Lots of love coming from our beloved Wee John <3

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Source: Kristian's Instagram

= Samson Kayo =

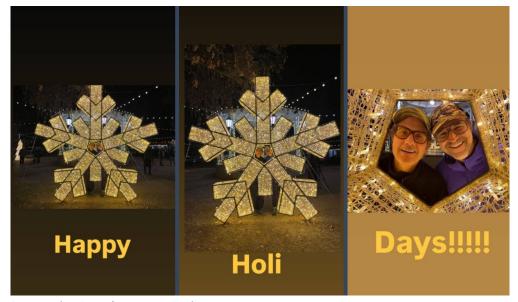
Samson got into the holiday spirit and sent a Merry Christmas to all!



Source: Samson's Instagram Stories

= Brian Gattas & Connor Barrett =

Hornberry and Siegfried wish you a silly Happy Holidays!



Source: Brian Gattas' Instagram Stories

= Damien Gerard =

More updates on where Damien is online now!

Instagram / Bsky



Damien Gerard @damientgerard.bsky.social \cdot 7h Threads profile Deactivated, Twitter set to private. It's either here or Insta from now on.

And a sweet holiday message from him!



If you celebrate the holidays, then happy holiday of choice. If you don't, like me, then have a fab Wednesday! 💗



Source: Damien's Bsky / Damien's bsky

== Articles ==

Thank you to our dear friends over at @adoptourcrew for ore articles featuring OFMD!

• So long, farewell: 20 LGBTQ+ shows that ended or got canceled in 2024



These LGBTQ-inclusive shows are not coming back for a new season in 2025.

OUT MAGAZINE

• 10 Saddest TV Show Cancellations of 2024



Between Chucky, Our Flag Means Death, and Kaos, 2024 was a year notorious for having multiple shows end anticlimactically.

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Source: Adopt Our Crew Bsky

== Fan Spotlight ==

= OFMD Buys Boats =

Last on the list for the Tiny Crew Big Raffle Donations was:

World Central Kitchen - David Jenkins - \$US 1,779.07, £278.69, €611.91, CAD\$82.81!

Well done all! I ran out of images in this recap, but the next will feature all the

awesome BTS Lindsey Cantrell shared with the @ofmd-buys-boats and the rest of the crew for everyone's generosity!





Source: OFMD Buys Boats Instagram

= Never Left Podcast =

Never Left Podcast's latest episode is about Fan Fic! Check it out on their linktr.ee!



Source: Never Left Instagram

= OFMD Advent Calendar =

The OFMD Advent Calendar has come to an end, and the kind @tillychmo gave everyone some lovely treats for the last two! Including Cameos from the crew! Thank you so much dear for highlighting so many amazing artists and writers this holiday season, and spreading joy and love from our cast! You're the best!

The 24th Door features @tillychmo's artwork! A very cute piece with the full revenge crew and more!



The 25th Door has cameos from some of our awesome Cast! Damien Gerard, Erroll Shand, Ruibo Qian! Wow! What a surprise! Check it out on Bluesky / AO3!



Source: OFMD Advent Calendar

== Love Notes ==

Well Lovelies, we're coming to the end of the year here. As I write this, it's New Year's Eve. I ended up being really sick for several days so I couldn't finish these on time (so sorry for the jump scare, I legit thought I'd be gone for a long while after two docs told me what they thought it was-- but luckily, no surgery for me). I'll try to be getting the last couple of the year out tomorrow if I can <3

I did want to mention, I know the David Jenkins fanfic/OFMD Christmas special is causing a bit of contention out there. Some folks are worried it's S3, and are either upset because it doesn't meet

what they were expecting so far, or worried that because it's there, we're not getting an s3 at all.

These are all valid concerns! For me, I like to think of what David's doing as a little gift to keep our hope alive. Whatever reason-- whatever comes of it, David cares so much about us that he's keeping us all engaged this late into the year. How many creators can we say do that for their fandom (let alone with a newborn)?

Did you feel that same tingly feeling I did as we got more and more updates? It felt like watching an episode of OFMD again, for the first time, not knowing where it was going. It was a roller coaster ride of emotions, and as usual David is perfect with timing of specific revelations for maximum affect.

We get to interact with him and all of our crewmates in the wee hours of 2024, and feel that same love and excitement that brought us together in the first place— and I really do think that's such a wonderful gift. Seeing so many folks get excited, and brains firing off a mile a minute on new meta and new headcanons has been wonderful to watch.

Whatever happens, whatever comes of it, we are getting to feel that unexpected excitement again. That little flutter of uncertainty-- that spark of joy and hope.

So don't despair okay? Whatever happens, we still have our S1, and S2, and we still have each otherand if we get an s3 out of all this too-- great!

Whatever happens, we still have this insanely talented, and kind, and breathtakingly creative crew, and I am so very grateful for each and every one of you.

OFMD changed my life for the better.

You all changed my life for the better.

You all changed SO MANY lives for the better, just by being you and sharing your love of this brilliant show.

OFMD is the gift that keeps on giving, and I'm grateful David's trying to give us a bit more to play with for now, to do with as we will.

Happy Holidays Lovelies and Happy New Year. May you get the rest and love you deserve, and all the things you desire this year.





View more on Instagram

Source: The Latest Kate's Instagram