

TV SHOW REVIEW – DOCTOR WHO (BBC)

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Doctor Who is a popular British science fiction related TV show created and aired by the BBC. It's about a few different races of Aliens, though the most important one of this show is of course the Time lord from planet Gallifrey, the Doctor. The first series of Doctor Who was in 1963. There are 26 season in the older series and already six in the new ones.



The Doctor time travels in his special Time machine called 'the Tardis'. With this extraordinary machine he is not only able to travel through time, but also through different universes. This allows the viewer, along with the doctor, to explore newly invented planets and see beyond the surface of the earth. He almost always has a companion to travel with him and accompany him to defend him and explore different strange sightings or problems.

Acting: The acting in this show is diverse. Some people in this show are great actors, for example doctor 10 (David Tennant) and doctor 11 (Matt Smith) are one of those worth to watch. You really see the character of the odd 900 year old Doctor coming forward and he certainly is a great character. One you can laugh about. On the other hand, there's Amy Pond (Karen Gillan), one of the doctor's companions, whose acting skills might require a little help. She lacks realism, with that I mean that she can't show emotions rather well. Or at least, she doesn't perform the right emotions on the right time.

Special Effects: The special effects in this show are amazing and realistic as well. There are a lot of them and you can really see that producers have worked hard on this. For example, there are lasers and twirls of light and different kinds of monsters (Aliens of course) that are made with those effects and great costume design. For example, there are the Cybermen and the Daleks, but also the costumes of the doctors self are well made and cool done.

Story lines: Every episode something new happens, but of course there's a main story line as well. But if I just focus on the little stories inside every episode, I must say I am quite impressed. In most TV series there's a moment where you get slightly bored with the story line. But Doctor Who keeps your attention throughout the whole season and that's definitely a good thing. Also, some episodes have a cliffhanger which is also quite pleasant. Every episode is worthy to watch and some great authors (like Neil Gaiman) have worked on separate episodes.

Rating

