Capturing Disney Parks presents **DISNEY ICON SPOTLIGHT**

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In this series of Q&A's, Capturing Disney Parks introduces you to some of the biggest and most iconic Disney Parks fans sharing the magic on their social media, video platform, blog, vlog, podcast, or website. Questions by Niels van Eijkelenburg.

Q 01 | THE ICON

Please introduce yourself to our readers.

Hi everyone, my name is Eric Anderson and I'm a Disneyland Paris fan from Germany. I host the AirMagique Podcast (previously known as Disneyland Paris Now) and we talk about the most magical place in Europe. In the real world I work as a visual designer for various clients and by night I morph into my true form, a complete Disney nut.



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Q 02 | THE PARKS

Which Disney Parks have you experienced, and which one do you consider your 'home' Park?

Tokyo Disneyland, Tokyo DisneySea, all the Walt Disney World Parks and of course Disneyland Paris. The latter of which is my home park. Still got Hong Kong Disneyland, Shanghai Disneyland and the original in California on my bucket list.

Q 03 | THE PLATFORM(S)

Where can we find your Disney fan platforms?

You can find us on <u>Apple Podcast</u>, <u>Spotify</u>, <u>Google Podcast</u>, <u>YouTube</u> and pretty much anywhere Podcasts can be listened to. If you would like to interact with us or just look at pretty pictures and read fun facts, you can find us on <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u>.



Tell us something about the format of your online platform(s), how it all started, which Disney Parks you cover, and why you love to put such a lot of effort in those activities.

The AirMagique podcast is all about providing a fun and entertaining, audio-based platform to find out what's going on at Disneyland Paris, get some park tips, and to learn about the resort's history. The primary focus of AirMagique is Disneyland Park and Walt Disney Studios, however, some episodes focus on the on-site hotels and Disney Village. Each episode is made with lots of love and at least 3 – 5 hours of research, I really wanted to produce a show that presents cool or little-known facts in an entertaining way.

Q 05 | THE LOVE

How and when did your love for Disney Parks start?

Probably when I was 7 years old and visited Disneyland Paris with my Dad for the first time. Big Thunder Mountain traumatized me the first time I rode it but over the years the attraction and Disneyland Paris really started to grow on me. At the age of 8 we moved to the United States. I fell in love with Disney World there, it's an amazing and massive place. However, Disneyland Paris's design and theming, especially Discoveryland vs Tomorrowland... well for me, Disneyland Paris will always come out on top.

Q 06 | THE TRIPS

How many times/days a year do you visit Disney Parks (estimate)? And how many days are most of your trips?

Twice a year at least or the Disneyland Paris withdrawal symptoms start. We usually spend about 3 - 4 days in the resort to make the most of it.

Q 07 | THE FAVORITS

Please name your favorite Disney attractions, parades, or shows.

"Big Thunder Mountain", "Big Thunder Mountain" and, oh yeah, "Big Thunder Mountain". But seriously "Space Mountain", "Crush's Coaster" and the "Tower of Terror" are all close runners up.

Q 08 | THE MEMORY

What's your most memorable Disney Parks moment? Tell us all about it please!

This one time... on "Star Tours". My stepmom and I were on the attraction together. Think I was 8 or 9 at the time, both of us were terrified. While Captain Rex was battling it out with the Empire, we were in the midst of our own battle, one trying to hide behind the other. The folks behind us were probably thinking "who are those two freaks". Ah, the happy memories.



Q 09 | THE TIP

Do you have a tip or advise - about anything Disney Parks related - to share with our readers?

Definitely try the chicken fajitas at the "Fuente del Oro Restaurante" in front of "Big Thunder Mountain". You won't be disappointed.

Q 10 | THE CHOICES

Make your choice! You have to choose one...

Mickey	or	🛛 Donald
Characters	or	Attractions
Star Wars	or	X Marvel
Parades	or	⊠ Nighttime spectaculars
On-site hotel	or	Off-site hotel
🛛 Annual Pass	or	Ticket
Animation	or	Live-action
⊠ Pins	or	TsumTsums
Early morning visits	or	Evening visits
PhotoPass	or	⊠ FastPass
☐ Jack Sparrow	or	Captain Hook

Q 11 | THE QUESTION

Do you have a question for me?

Yes! Niels would you like to be a guest on an episode of the podcast?

Niels: That sounds like a lot of fun Eric! Let's discuss!



THE END

I would like to thank Eric for participating in this Q&A series. Hope you've enjoyed this episode. Until next time and have a magical day!



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