

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.

My name is Joe from the Diz Hiz Podcast. I am one of the hosts of a Disney History Podcast where we take anything Disney, could be a ride, restaurant, resort etc. and we talk about the history of that Disney topic. I live near the Disney Parks and love traveling to Disney with my family. We are Disney Vacation Club members and love going on Disney Cruises together. My wife and I are both teachers at the same school were our son also attends Kindergarten.



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Q 02 | THE PARKS

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

So far, I have been to all the parks at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida. I have been to Magic Kingdom, EPCOT, Hollywood Studios and Animal Kingdom. I would consider all of the parks at Disney World my home park. I am looking forward to visiting all of the other parks one day with my family.

Q 03 | THE PLATFORM(S)

Where can we find your Disney fan platforms?

You can find us on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter at DizHiz65. Please support by following and sharing us on our adventure. Also give us a listen on all podcast platforms, search Diz Hiz and give us a rating.

We just started our YouTube channel and we are looking to stream our podcast soon. Anything you could do to support us would be amazing. Thank you! =)

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Q 04 | THE FORMAT

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.

I am one of the hosts of a Disney History Podcast. One of my favorite things about Disney is the history. Each ride, restaurant, hotel etc. has its own special story and I love sharing the history with others.

I always loved listening to podcasts on our trips to Disney and I love when the podcasts get into the history about Disney. I decided to start a podcast that was dedicated to the history of Disney. I started it with my brother-in-law, who I go to Disney with a lot, and my friend, who is also a Disney fanatic.

The Diz Hiz covers anything Disney. All of the hosts bring something different to the table. I have loved Disney my whole life, my brother-in-law, Alex, just recently started getting into Disney the last 5 years with our family Christmas trips and Adam has the great Disney tips on making our trips most efficient.

The reason why I put so much effort into the podcast is because the more I go to Disney the more I get to spend time with my family. I love sharing my love for Disney with my family and friends and try to help people get the most out of their Disney trips.

Q 05 | THE LOVE

How and when did your love for Disney Parks start?

I grew up in Queens, New York and my grandfather took us on two Disney trips. I loved it. I mean any 5 year-old would. When I was 13, I moved down to Florida and I would go every once in a while. When I was 18, I had some friends who LOVED Disney and they bought me a pass. They knew everything about Disney, and I remember them sharing Hidden Mickeys with me while in line and different stories about the rides, as well as the history. This is when my love for Disney got away with me. I loved staying at resorts with them and going to different Disney restaurants. One of my favorite Disney memories with them was when we all went out and ate at Ohana. We watched the fireworks from Magic Kingdom during our meal and afterwards stayed at the Coronado Springs Resort. 20 years later and a couple of additions to our families we still plan Disney trips together.

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?

We go to Walt Disney World at least twice a month. In the last year and a half, we recently discovered how great Disney Cruises are and have been on 3. Our first one was on the Dream and we fell in love. Our second was a Disney Marvel Cruise and this past summer we went on a Disney Alaskan Cruise. We purchased Disney Vacation Club on our Marvel Cruise and we are looking forward to using the points with family and friends.

Q 07 | THE FAVORITS

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

My favorite classic ride is "It's A Small World" because of the memories I have with my son and grandfather. "Flight of Passage" at Animal Kingdom is my favorite ride right now. I also would like to share I love the theme parks during the holidays. They do such a great job decorating and there is nothing like it.

My favorite parade is the "Mickey's Not So Scary Parade". If you haven't seen it, I recommend going to see it or checking it out on YouTube. The best parade EVER!

Q 08 | THE MEMORY

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

Taking my son to Disney for the first time. He was 1 and he got his first hair cut at Disney. We rode "It's A Small World" and he was really interested in it all. When my grandfather took me to Disney it was special. "It's A Small World" was my favorite ride as a kid and to be able to take my son on the ride that I rode with my grandfather 30 years prior was special. "It's A Small World" is my son's favorite ride to this day and still is mine!



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Q 09 | THE TIP

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

Be patient. Sometimes I'm not the best at this, but it makes for a better overall experience at Disney. You are there to have fun and relax and if you are not patient it makes it hard to relax.

Q 10 | THE CHOICES

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

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mickey | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Donald |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Characters | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attractions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Star Wars | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marvel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parades | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nighttime spectaculars |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-site hotel | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Off-site hotel |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Pass | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Ticket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Animation | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Live-action |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pins | or | <input type="checkbox"/> TsumTsums |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Early morning visits | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Evening visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PhotoPass | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FastPass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jack Sparrow | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Captain Hook |

Q 11 | THE QUESTION

Do you have a question for me?

What is your favorite story about Disney history?

Niels: *I love the fact that Walt was obsessed with keeping his park clean. No chewing gum was sold. He also made science of the optimal distance between trash cans (30 ft.) before people dropped their trash on the ground. Did you know that Walt actually invented the trash can with a lid and flaps? But no-one seemed to be really interested and Walt didn't patent it.*

THE END

I would like to thank Joe 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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