

Chesterton. Gaiman

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Alice Turner — 07 Nov 1998, 17:54

From Wombat:

The Gaiman fact is pretty well-established--there's a character in _Sandman_ who is clearly Chesterton. (Gilbert, who features prominently in the second story arc, "A Doll's House", with occasional other appearances throughout the series, is physically and temperamentally very much modeled on Chesterton.)

Or were you commenting on the delightful oddity of learning about Gaiman's fondness for Chesterton on a Borges site?

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Kevin J. Maroney — 08 Nov 1998, 18:12 · follows Alice Turner

At 05:54 PM 11/7/98 -0500, alga wrote:

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Well, I'm quite fond of _Sandman_. It's very easy to overpraise it, but there's some really first-rate work in it, especially in the scattered short stories. Wolfe is, by evidence, a reader of it, of course; he had a story in the _Sandman_ prose collection a couple of years back. (One of his folk music stories--does anyone have a list of all of these?)

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