

Underrated in Disch's book

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This from Tom Disch, who calls Wolfe's award the "least coveted of honors" and praises TBOTNS as "a tetrolgy of couth, intelligence and suavity that is also written in VistaVision with Dolby sound," continuing, "Imagine a Star Wars--style space opera penned by G.K. Chesterton in the throes of a religious conversion."

Innnteresting. IIRC, in his recent book on sf, THE DREAMS STUFF ARE MADE OF [did I get that right?], Tom Disch gave short shrift to TBOTNS, calling it "Renaissance faire" something or other, and even managed to mangle the author's name in such a way that it looked as though the brave little toaster-cum-copy editor couldn't read a scrawl in the margin, or couldn't comprehend the Master's Voice over the telephony.

Easy enough to chalk this up to last minute changes--blame it on the editors!

Or, what the hey, Disch contains multitudes, and consistency is the _____ of small minds.

Or, then again, maybe "Renaissance fair" something-or-other is just another way of saying "couth, intelligence . . ." etc.

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