

THE DIRECTOR'S CUT

Several of Horace's encounters with various Misfits had to be cut to fit within the Fringe Festival's one hour time limit. Horace meeting "Zen-Tools" (beach-combing toys), "Al Superfly" (1970s action figure), "Pimpin' Pete" (dress-up doll from the Dapper Dan line) and Horace's travels through the "MnaMna Forest" were all among the scenes cut.

If you're interested in hearing the full, uncut version of the story please contact us at: info@walkingboxes.com and we'll be sure to inform you when the "Director's Cut" will take place.

NATIONAL TOY HALL OF FAME

Forty-two toys and games have been enshrined in the hall: Barbie, Crayola Crayon, Erector Set, Etch-a-Sketch, Frisbee, Hula Hoop, Lego, Lincoln Logs, Marbles, Monopoly, Play-doh, Radio Flyer Wagon, Roller Skates, Teddy Bear, Tinkertoy, View-master, Duncan Yo-Yo, Bicycle, Jacks, Jump Rope, Mr. Potato Head, Slinky, Silly Putty, Tonka Trucks, Jigsaw Puzzle, Raggedy Ann, Alphabet Blocks, Checkers, G.I. Joe, Rocking Horse, Scrabble, Candy Land, cardboard box, Jack-in-the-Box, Easy Bake Ovens, Lionel Trains, Atari 2600, Kite, Raggedy Andy, stick (as in the branch from a tree), Baby Doll, Skateboard

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RUDOLPH THE RED'S ACCOUNTS

The Island of Misfit Toys was first described in the accounts of Rudolph of the Red Nose in December 1964. These accounts have been aired on the tube every year since, exposing successive generations to the fabled Island of Misfit Toys. In Rudolph's accounts, he with his red nose feels he is a misfit as do two of his companions: Hermey the Elf (who worked in Santa's toy-making shop but wanted to be a dentist) and explorer Yukon Cornelius (who was searching for a peppermint mine.) These three misfits request sanctuary on the isle, but are denied by the lion monarch King Moonracer who explains to them that only toys may live upon the island.

In Rudolph's original accounts, he departs from the island and nothing more is said of the plight of the misfit toys. But over the years, an ending was added in which Santa Claus goes to the isle and takes all the misfit toys to welcoming homes. Rudolph has never made comment on whether this is truly what happened or not. Horace himself believes perhaps this is the truth because while upon the isle he never met Charlie-in-the-Box, Spotted Elephant, Misfit Dolly, Bird Fish, the train with square-wheeled caboose, or any of the other misfits Rudolph encountered.

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