

DVD Review: Episodes of Silly Police Work Gathered on ‘Reno 911!: The Complete Series’

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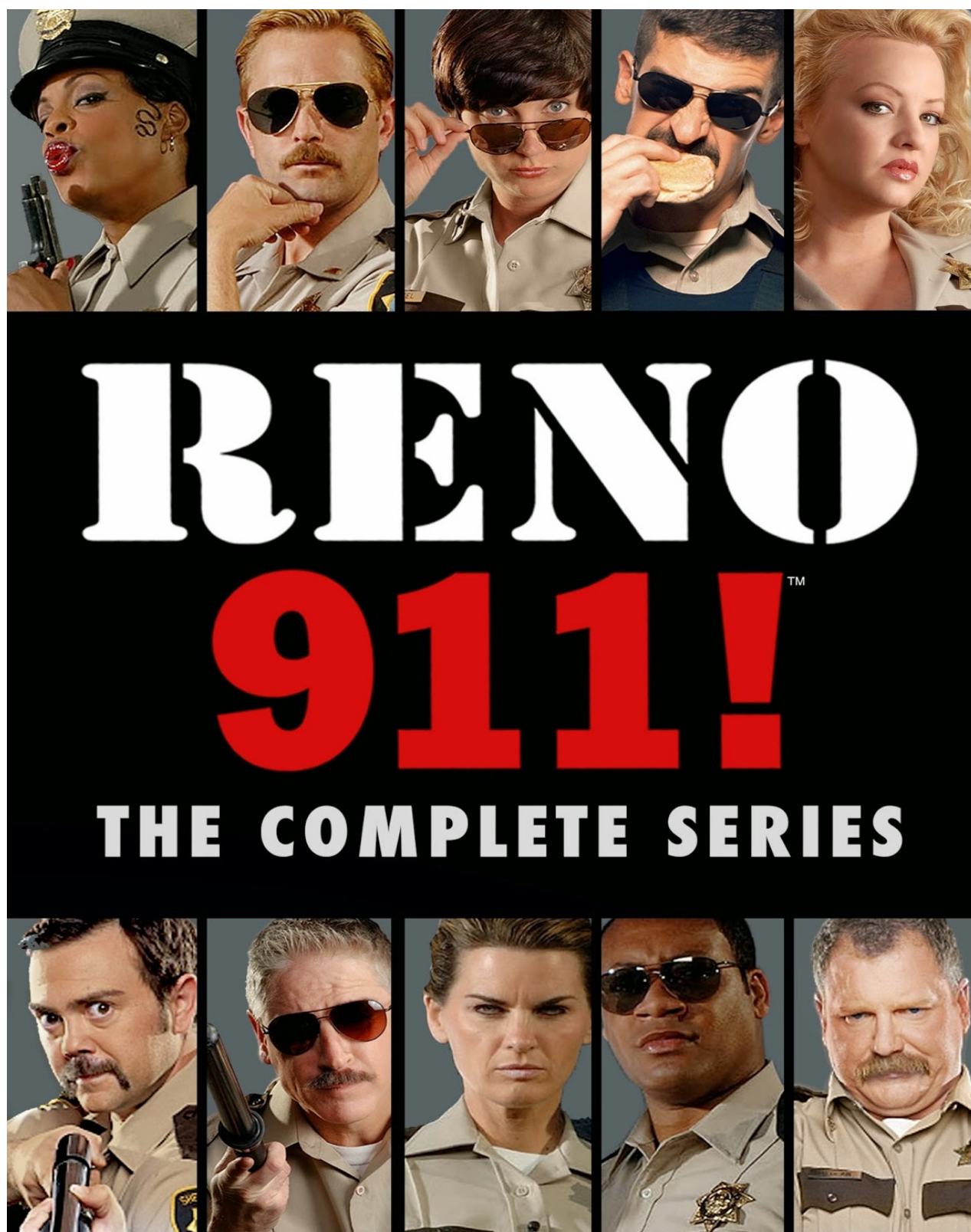
CHICAGO – The oughts was the era of the workplace mock-doc comedy, with shows like “The Office” and “Reno 911!” born into a time where TV viewers were excited to see see fake realities about the crumminess of a job. While this series has been available in separate season collections previously, “Reno 911!” is now available in a complete series set, one that boasts a grand amount of special features content in spite of some lacking comedy in the actual show.



Rating: **3.0/5.0**

Created to riff on the classic reality show “Cops,” “Reno 911!” embraced silliness over anything else, which gives it a very hit-and-miss potential. It works best as a prototype for when ideas like plot and dimensional characters were added into the mix, with randomness standing as a polarizing quality. Despite the many funny people in the main cast, along with the billion of comedians who guest appear in episodes, “Reno 911!” doesn’t make a huge mark with this lightness.

There can be a discouraging forcefulness in the comedy, especially with the notion of how these characters are all devised, as goofy characters that all become straight-men/women when put into duty. In this way there isn’t the type of tension to these characters, but every now and then there’s an amusing moment that does hit. Personally, that’s not enough for me to love a show, but it is enough to enjoy some sporadic episodes.



"Reno 911!: The Complete Series" was released on DVD on November 4, 2014

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Synopsis for "Reno 911!":

A critically acclaimed, hit series which ran for six seasons, "Reno 911!" let viewers ride shotgun with the courageous men and women of the Washoe County Sheriff's Department as they lay down the law and put their lives on the line. Whether the Deputies are busting down the doors of a meth lab or busting "moves" at a local nightspot, the Reno 911! camera doesn't blink. (Courtesy: Paramount)

Special Features in "Reno 911!: The Complete Series"

- o Audio Commentary on 32 Episodes
- o Over an Hour of Alternate, Extended & Deleted Scenes
- o Nearly 2 Hours of Outtakes
- o Cop Psychology: Inside the Minds of Reno's Deputies
- o Profiles in Valor
- o And more ...

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