

## DVD Review: Complete Series of MTV's 'The State' Worth the Wait

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CHICAGO – It's a vastly overused phrase in criticism, but MTV's "The State" truly was ahead of its time. I remember seeing the show in its original broadcast on MTV and thinking it was like nothing else on television. Now it would easily fit in the comedy landscape. After years of begging, fans of "The State" are finally being given a complete series set and it was worth the wait.

Perhaps one of the reasons that "The State" feels so ahead of its time is the frequency with which its cast members pop up in film and television now. The cast of "The State" would go on to work together on shows like "Stella," "Viva Variety," and "Reno 911!" and films like "Wet Hot American Summer" and "The Ten," but they would also find massive success apart from the whole troupe.



DVD Rating: **4.0/5.0**

Original cast members of "The State" included Kevin Allison, Michael Ian Black ("Reaper," "Ed"), Robert Ben Garant ("Reno 911!" and co-writer of the "Night at the Museum" movies), Todd Holoubek, Michael Patrick Jann ("Little Britain USA"), Kerri Kenney-Silver ("Reno 911!," "The Ellen Show," "Role Models"), Thomas Lennon ("Reno 911!" and co-writer of the "Night at the Museum" movies), Joe Lo Truglio ("Superbad"), Ken Marino ("Reaper," "Veronica Mars"), Michael Showalter ("Stella"), and David Wain (director of "Wet Hot American Summer," "The Ten," and "Role Models").