

Swholli Reviews - The Bandwagon Saga PART 1

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A black screen.

SCOTT

(O.S.)

Look I've got to tell people what  
I've been up to, they're  
interested.

DYLAN

(O.S.)

Do you though? Do you really have  
that big of an audience?

SCOTT

(O.S.)

I've got an audience. It's small,  
but they're dedicated.

DYLAN

(O.S.)

Okay but did you really need to  
call an *actual* press conference?

SCOTT

(O.S.)

Oh. Uh... probably not.

INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - DAY

Cameras flash as the press eagerly await some big  
announcement. They aren't sure what, exactly, but they want  
to be the first to break the news if it's a big scoop.

Two men walk toward the podium. They are both D-List  
internet celebrities. One is SCOTT, or as he goes by on the  
internet pseudonym SWHOLLI. The other is his friend and  
compatriot of the movie review show, DYLAN.

Both are donned in suits and ties adding an air of  
sophistication to the event.

Dylan approaches the podium first to introduce his friend.

DYLAN

And now, Mr. Swholli has prepared a  
statement. He will not be taking  
any questions. Thank you.

Dylan steps aside allowing Scott to approach. The crowd  
stirs, some confused.

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REPORTER

Hey! You're not the mayor!

DYLAN

This was never supposed to be a political event. We were pretty clear about that in the announcement.

Some reporters groan and stand up to leave.

Scott takes the podium.

SCOTT

Uh, so it's been a while since I made an announcement about my channel, so I'll probably end up doing this video and then take another year hiatus.

The audience laughs.

INT. AN OFFICE SOMEWHERE - DAY

The press conference is being televised.

We see a large flat panel TV mounted on a wall displaying the conference with graphics and a news marquee.

We can see Scott at the podium, Dylan standing closely by his side.

SCOTT

(on the screen)

There's been speculation that I've considered reviewing more mainstream films that are "current" or "relevant" instead of trying to branch out to more artistic or oft overlooked choices, and I know that people are interested in me talking about the new Star Wars trilogy-

He's cut off. A reporter in the crowd has a question.

INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - DAY

REPORTER

I'm sorry Mr. Swholli but do you honestly expect us to believe you're not trying to get more views

(MORE)

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REPORTER (cont'd)  
by doing topical movies? That you  
decided to hold a *press conference*  
to tell us you're just contiuning  
your channel-?

He cuts her off in return.

SCOTT  
It's one thing to question the  
official story, and another thing  
to insinuate that I'm not doing  
anything interesting with my  
channel. I'm doing... stuff.  
Things... I may

Dylan leans over to try to save Scott from floundering.

DYLAN  
(whispering in his ear)  
Stick to the cue cards.

SCOTT  
(whispering back)  
Yeah, yeah...

He holds up some index cards and tries to read off of them.

We get closer and closer to his face.

SCOTT  
(trailing off)  
The truth is...

He contemplates the answer, his face contorting as his mind  
thinks over the answer. As a sudden clarity washes over his  
face he looks into the camera.

SCOTT  
I am reviewing Iron Man.