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A Q&A with Steven Sievers from the Animated “Supa Pirate Booty Hunt”

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**So, Steven, your background, where are you from and what motivated you to do a Animated?:**

Supa Pirate Booty Hunt originally started as a skit on my internet college radio show at American University. When it came time to pick what to do for my master thesis project I decided on animation. I planned my day around watching The Simpsons and stayed up late watching Adult Swim. I already had a fan base with the radio skit and decided to turn into a cartoon for my thesis project.

**And your role with in “Supa Pirate Booty Hunt” ?**

I'm the co-creator, writer, animator, producer, sound editor, and voice of Daniel the Turtle for Supa Pirate Booty Hunt.

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How would you best describe your Animated Project?

The show combines classic slapstick squash and stretch Looney Tunes style animation with great action adventure story arches and hilarious comedy. The show spoofs current events, celebrities and the media while being set in a world of ancient magic and futuristic technology.

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### **What was the best moment, for you in creating “Supa Pirate Booty Hunt”?**

The series is now working with the charity Music Saves Lives, which encourages teenagers and young adults to donate blood. Their national campaign of animated PSA's team Supa Pirate Booty Hunt characters up with different music celebrities. Their first PSA compilation featured Vans Warped Tour main stage band 3OH!3 and was later turned into a comic book given out at every date of the 2011 North American tour and blood centers throughout the country for anyone who donated blood. A shorter version of the episode was screened on TV's at Denny's & Taco Bell's across North America.

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And the worst moment?

When we tried to make a vinyl Daniel the Turtle figure as a San Diego Comic Con exclusive. We lost thousands of dollars to this company in China and all we got for it was a picture of a prototype with angry fans who pre ordered it at the convention.

If you had one message to get across to the WORLD with “Supa Pirate Booty Hunt”

– What would that message be?

Hunting booty on the seven seas is hard work, but hey...someone has to do it.

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### **Everyone that enters a Festival wants to win an Award, What about your project makes it stand out?**

Supa Pirate Booty Hunt is It's sex, drugs and rock 'n roll all on the high seas! We have a great cast of voice actors including Spike Spencer (Evangelion, Battle Angel, World of Warcraft), Greg Eagles (The Grim Adventurs of Billy and Mandy, Afro Samurai, Terminator The Sarah Connor Chronicles), Amiee Lynn Chadwick (Return of the Living Dead 4 & 5, Cinderella Story, Alice in Wonderland), MC Chris (Aqua Teen Hunger Force, The Brak Show, Space Ghost Coast to Coast, Sealab 2012), Neil Kaplan (Transformers: Robots in Disguise, Power Rangers, Starcarft II), and myself. Not only does it entertain people but also encourages everyone to donate blood for Music Saves Lives because every donation can save up to three lives. We mostly stand out because

we have a fan from Maryland that has Cpt Zack Stevers & Daniel the Turtle tattooed on her leg.

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and What is next for you?

Dahveed Kolodny-Nagy (SPBH co-creator & lead artist) and I are finishing our next animated PSA for Music Saves Lives called 'Metal in My Shell' which features Dave Mustaine of Megadeth. We will also be turning into a comic book for the Rockstar Energy Mayhem Festival this summer across North America.

Thank You, Steven Sievers

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### **What are the credits for Supa Pirate Booty Hunt?**

**Cast:** Steve Sievers, Spike Spencer, Neil Kaplan, Greg Eagles, Amiee Lynn Chadwick, MC Chris, Nat Motte, Sean Foreman, & Dave Mustaine.

**Produced by:** Dahveed Kolodny-Nagy & Steve Sievers

**Creators:** Dahveed Kolodny-Nagy & Steve Sievers

**Director:** Dahveed Kolodny-Nagy

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*****– Where and When is “Supa Pirate Booty Hunt”?**

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Web Site: <http://www.supapiratebootyhunt.com>

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