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Dragon. - April 10, 2014, 3:17 pm

[img]http://kurogane.animeblogger.net/image/winter2013/sakurasou_24_01.jpg[/img]

Introduction

Over the years, the anime industry has become saturated with shows that abuse typical character archetypes, rely on conveniently placed and poorly executed plot devices, and to top it all off, have loads and loads of fan service. The romance/comedy/slice of life genres are no exception to this rule. Does Sakurasou no Pet na Kanojo go above and beyond that of its peers? Or does it join the countless others in its genre that have become the epitome of anime production?

Story

Sakurasou no Pet na Kanojo, which will be referred to from this point on as Sakurasou, revolves around Kanada Sorata, whose kindness lands him in what is considered the "looney bin" of the school - a dilapidated dorm called Sakurasou. The story is a slice of life/romantic comedy that follows Sorata and the other main characters, as they gripe with the curveballs life throws at them.

I started watching this show after I had just finished Toradora! I had been looking for a show similar to it, and at the top of the recommendation page of MAL at the time was Sakurasou. When I first started watching this show, it seemed really childish. It looked like the story was going absolutely nowhere; however, for some reason, I kept watching it, despite being pushed away by its zaniness. After a few episodes, the viewer soon discovers that Sakurasou isn't what it makes itself out to be. The show's focus becomes more defined, and so do the characters.

Characters

Initially, all the characters appear to conform to your typical anime stereotypes. We have the dandere, the tsundere, the crazy chick, the player, and our boring protagonist. I have to give props to the creators of this story. They were able to develop the majority of the characters, focusing on each and every one of their faults, weaknesses, strengths, and shortcomings as people. As a result, we're met with an extremely realistic cast whose internal struggles resonate with the viewer. It is for this reason that the show scored such high marks for me. 9/10

Music/Art

For a story about art, the animation needs to be good. Sakurasou doesn't just deliver average animation. Each frame, background, character design, and even the color palettes are elegantly planned and beautifully drawn. 10/10. The sound isn't any worse, if not better. Sakurasou's soundtrack consists of a variety of percussion and string instruments that portray each dramatic/funny scene perfectly. 10/10.

Conclusion

Failure is a part of life. Without it, we will never grow and develop as people. Sakurasou excellently portrays this. We see all of our main characters fail because of their shortcomings. Brilliantly executed and beautifully told, Sakurasou no Pet na Kanojo is a show that hits deep. A show that makes you feel for each of the characters, and a show that runs your emotions rampant toward its second half. I loved this show.

Kirit????o - April 10, 2014, 4:42 pm

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Ang?I - April 10, 2014, 6:59 pm

Hands down one of my favorite anime, great review!

Manny - April 10, 2014, 7:11 pm

(Apr 10, 2014 04:42 PM)Kirito. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I really loved the Anime i couldn't stop watching it. the last episode really hit me, it was one of the saddest endings i have seen :c made tears come out and it also made me want more but second season never came </3

Exactly, I really loved the all the episodes. I teared at the end also ? .

Nonon Jakuzure - April 10, 2014, 8:12 pm

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Dragon. - April 10, 2014, 8:34 pm

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Yeah. Technically they did set it up for a second season, so there is still a possibility... let's cross our fingers ;)

Manny - April 10, 2014, 9:35 pm

(Apr 10, 2014 08:34 PM)Dragon. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Yeah. Technically they did set it up for a second season, so there is still a possibility... let's cross our fingers ;)

I know right they're all seniors now :P Let's hope they make a second season.

?????? - April 10, 2014, 9:40 pm

I'm not expecting a second season, but I'd love it. I finished watching this a few days ago.

Misaka - April 10, 2014, 10:03 pm

I loved Sakurasou! I really enjoyed the way the romance was done. That airport scene was one of my favorites of all time :)

Sasaki Haise - April 10, 2014, 10:04 pm

Well time to add this to my anime list and watch it over Spring Break. Ty for the share.

Manny - April 10, 2014, 10:05 pm

(Apr 10, 2014 10:03 PM)Ronbo Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I loved Sakurasou! I really enjoyed the way the romance was done. That airport scene was one of my favorites of all time :)

I know right, especially how they both confessed. ?

Dragon. - April 10, 2014, 11:48 pm

(Apr 10, 2014 10:03 PM)Ronbo Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I loved Sakurasou! I really enjoyed the way the romance was done. That airport scene was one of my favorites of all time :)

Oh yeah.

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Rita and Ryuunosuke's kiss, followed by the reaction by that jealous maid.. LMFAO

+Cloud - April 11, 2014, 7:54 am

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Dragon. - April 11, 2014, 1:28 pm

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(Apr 11, 2014 01:28 PM)Dragon. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Haha.

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omg dude we're like the same person or something I loved Mirai Nikki too :D (I'm assuming that you posting a review on it means you liked it lol).

Dark Neko - April 11, 2014, 8:25 pm

Nice review, I'd like to see a second season, the first one was very enjoyable.

Ascend - April 11, 2014, 10:00 pm

Easily one of my most favorite anime of all time, I'm glad it's getting the attention it deserves.