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Tharsis Productions : The Funnt File Anthology before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Funnt File Anthology:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Something a bit differentBy Emil FitzgeraldWell, I wondered when I'd come across this series again. I met the producer and some of the actors at a party at BaltiCon a few years ago. They were really interested in the SF community's input and I think they even redid one of the shows based on what we told them. It was at BaltiCon that I picked up this cassette box set. Since the CD box set has the exact same episodes my review holds for that product as well.This series is a lot of fun. It's refreshing because it's not a gag-a-

minute type show like Red Dwarf or Hitchhiker's Guide. It depends more on characters and situations for its humor and likes to lampoon some "sci-fi" clichés. More Sharyn McCrumb than Douglas Adams. Good points: premise, sound effects, choice of stories. Bad points: some characters need to be more 3-dimensional. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. American "Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" By A Customer This is a really amusing series of tapes for the most part written by Mark Wolverton, author of "The Science of Superman." The hapless Dirwood Funnt captains an interstellar garbage scow on adventures on the planet Barbatus, planet of bearded men, and gets caught between the warring Space Brains and Winarians. Dirwood is really funny and the dopey supporting characters are hysterical.

This audio cassette box set contains the first six episodes of the SF comedy/adventure series "The Funnt File." "Scumtubes Destiny" Former United Cosmos starship captain (now janitor) Dirwood Funnt finds life can only get better when he's kidnapped by terrorists and forced aboard the secret United Cosmos colonization vessel Excelsior. "The Captain Thing" - When the ship's computer reveals hidden data about a famous battle from United Cosmos history, Funnt learns the information has profoundly personal consequences. "The Big Shave" - The planet Barbatus is thrown into turmoil when Funnt demonstrates his preference for a certain act of personal hygiene. "The Phantom of the Excelsior" - Just who is that former United Cosmos officer lurking in the holds of the ship? And will the crew prefer him as Captain over Funnt? "What Hal Says" - Funnt learns altruism isn't all that easy when his warning of cometary disaster is rebuked by the people of Akimbo 421 as it conflicts with the revered "Word of Hal." "Ballad of the Space Brains" - Funnt must clear up a case of hostility between the Space Brains of the planet Cerebellus and their former subjects the Winarians before the United Cosmos catches up with a damaged Excelsior.

The Funnt File, as the collection of radio-style dramas is called, is so wacky it's almost giddy. The action is set well into the years beyond 2000. In the first episode, Funnt is captured by Luddite terrorists who want to somehow overcome the United Cosmos. In the next episode, he and his crew come across a planet where the inhabitants never heard of shaving and think getting rid of facial hair is sacrilege. The characters include an eternally disgusted female doctor with whom Funnt is eternally enamored and a spacehead named Freak, who seems as if he's been caught in a 1960s time warp. The sound effects make you feel as if you're inside a video machine, the music is so dippy it reminds one of a 1950s sitcom, and the dialogue will make you cringe. Juvenile? Of course. Loony? You bet. The crazy thing is, this is all intentional. And it works. Go ahead. Get in touch with your Inner Adolescent. It's worth the ride. -- The Philadelphia Inquirer, September 26, 1999