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Review

Koenig drags every skeleton out of the Mouse's closet and makes them dance. After reading *Realityland*, you'll probably never experience Disney with child-like wonder again, but the insider info is well worth a little lost innocence. --Seth Kubersky, *Orlando Weekly*

Koenig, the author of two highly respected, behind-the-scenes books on Disneyland, now sheds light on the beginnings of Walt Disney World. Interviewing almost 100 people and incorporating almost a decade of research, Koenig has written his best book to date. Perfect for Disney fans and history buffs. --Jeff Ayers, *Library Journal*

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About the Author

With four exhaustively researched behind-the-scenes books on Disney theme parks and animation, David Koenig has become the world's first and best-known Mouse House outsider. He has spent more than 25 years interviewing hundreds of cast members and researching the history and mystery of the Disney Empire.

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