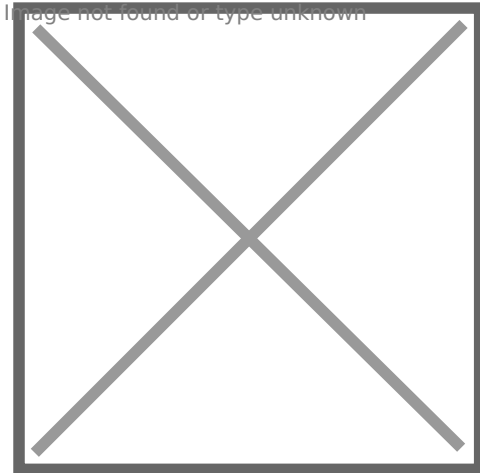


Tolkien on the pleasure of sub-creation

Post by “Don” of June 23, 2023 at 7:56 AM

Even though JRR Tolkien fully embraced a Catholic worldview, I found this post on Instagram interesting. Even he can't get away from the fact that he created his world of Middle-earth because he found the creation process pleasurable.



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Post by “Joshua” of June 23, 2023 at 11:31 AM

He writes at length about this in his essay *On Fairy Stories*.

I also quite like George R. R. Martin on fantasy:

[On Fantasy | George R.R. Martin](#)

Post by “Joshua” of June 23, 2023 at 11:33 AM

And (why not?) Edward Abbey, from his journal;

Quote

My loyalties will not be bound by national borders, or confined in time by one nation's history, or limited in the spiritual dimension by one language and culture. I pledge my allegiance to the damned human race, and my everlasting love to the green hills of Earth, and my intimations of glory to the singing stars, to the very end of space and time.