This Blog Post is-Not That Good

Full disclosure: I stole the title of this blog post-from a YouTube comment.

Here's the evidence...

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	3	sagar kaushik 2 years ago how about no?	:
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		Patrick Bateman 2 years ago How about yes? This is MY opinion after all which I AM entitled to though I would love to know why you enjoy this movie. Note that I don't hate this movie and I absolutely love the trailer, I just think the actual movie was a let down. A step below what it could've been (watch Paprika for reference.)	:
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	<u>U</u>	Ben Jauncey 2 years ago not that good? name a more unique narrative with a better soundtrack and i'll let you off	:
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		Patrick Bateman 2 years ago Here we go. Paprika, Spirited Away, The Matrix, The Lord of the Rings Trilogy (I don't know if you're counting book to movie adaptions but if so any movie from this series will do), the origianl Star Wars Trilogy (if you only want 1 then Enpire Strikes back), American Beauty, Princess Monoke, Kara No Kyoukai series (5th movie in particular), 2001 A Space Odyssey, Fight club, The Godfather, Pulp Fiction, Scott Pilgrim vs the World, Terminator 2, Almost Famous and How To Read more	:
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	0	nhannon9 2 years ago (edited) +ArtsCollision Inc. Actually, Scott Pilgrim, Pulp Fiction, A Space Odyssey, and pretty much all the Star Wars movies from the original trilogy were amazing as well, but yes, The Matrix included.	:
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	<u>K</u>	Ben Jauncey 2 years ago +ArtsCollision Inc. The only movies there I consider as being amazing to me, are The Matrix, Pulp Fiction, The Godfather and American Beauty. You cannot dis them as they are all genius. Reply • If 🔊	:
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This is a screenshot from the comment section of a trailer for the movie Inception.

How did I end up there? Well, I have a little ritual that I perform every month or so. It's simple. I begin by identifying some person, philosophy, or project that I feel deep admiration or respect for. Then I go on YouTube to see how long it takes me to find a video comment where someone says something like "I'm not impressed" or "This is overrated" or "I don't trust this."

Whenever I conduct this experiment, I time myself. It's never lasted longer than 90 seconds. I've never failed to find a comment like the one in the screenshot. Today's choice

was inception. Inception was no exception. it took about 20 seconds to find someone who wasn't impressed.

Why do I do this to myself? It keeps me grounded and it purifies me of my illusions. It reminds me of the simple little fact that there are always people talking smack about the things I believe are cool. My loves are someone else's laughs. My inspirations are someone else's standards for stupidity. And if this is true of the things I consume, it's probably true of the things I create.

Like Inception, I am no exception. And precisely because of that, I find it a little bit easier for me to be exceptional.