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Club-A-Rama Week 53 (bonus):

A promotional graphic with a yellow background. On the left is a stylized Space Needle. In the center, the text reads "As Introduced at The WORLD'S FAIR the MAGICAL MOLDVILLE.com". To the right is a black Mold-A-Rama machine. Further right, text says "An exciting New Gift, Toy or Model each Month" and "See it Made! 25¢".

3 MONKEES (no base)

"See no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil"

1962 Seattle World's Fair



This final week of the Club-A-Rama v1.0 we go back to the very beginning. The **3MONKEES with NO BASE** is the sweetest moldset - and also the VERY, VERY FIRST moldset originally made for MOLD-A-RAMA's machines! It was first vended at the 1962 SEATTLE WORLD'S FAIR.



Running this particular moldset for the first time in 50 years, for me was sentimental, and perhaps even emotional, so when I placed it on the MOLDVILLE machine to test it I was ready with my iPhone to take photos of that first run. Unfortunately, that first run (shown above) wasn't ideal, but it was successful!



The MOVIE clip for this last week's souvenir figure includes as background the original SPACE SOUND audio that played while the machine operated in the very earliest days of Mold-A-Rama. ALL machines made by Mold-A-Rama are wired for the audio tape player, and this audio was digitized from one of the original 2-track audio tapes from 1962. The use of the SPACE SOUNDS audio was switch selectable to be ON or OFF during the 45 second operable cycle of the machine (the switch is on an internal side panel of the machine.)



Essentially the only difference between the ultra-rare **3MONKEES with NO BASE**, and the common **3MONKEES**, is the base. There are a couple other very slight differences - but those will be left as a proof for the student...



This is a comparison of the more modern **3MONKEES** moldset on the left, to the very, very first Mold-A-Rama moldset (the **3MONKEES** with NO BASE) on the right.

Here the newer and old **3MONKEES** moldsets sit along side one another:



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As is the case for many (if not most) of the earliest moldsets made for the MOLD-A-RAMA machine in 1962, the **3MONKEES with NO BASE** has precedent in a plaster figure made in the 1940s or 1950s by the JH MILLER MFG. Co - the inventor of MOLD-A-RAMA's machine. This is a recast of an original plaster JH MILLER **3MONKEES with NO BASE** (courtesy Len Carvelo).



While this is NOT the **3MONKEES with NO BASE** (it is the later **3MONKEES WITH BASE**), I thought I'd share this vintage photo nonetheless, from the MONKEY JUNGLE in Miami back in the 1970s-80s.



Disclaimers: The color and/or exact condition of the MOLD you get in the CLUB-A-RAMA may or may not be as shown. Not for children under 3.

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If YOU would like to own this very moldset (and perhaps even include a fully operating MOLDVILLE machine to go with it) so you can reissue your own souvenirs from 50 years ago, please email MoldvilleMachine@gmail.com TODAY - before someone else beats you to it!

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