

I remember as a very young kid seeing posters for this movie around the place in Dublin city. I was fascinated simply because it was a cartoon, but one that all of my older brothers seemed very interested in seeing. Surely has to be the best cartoon ever then right? Well, actually yes. When I finally caught Akira on tv some years later I was blown away. I had read a few issues of the Manga at that point and found it fascinating and very well written. But the movie was something else entirely. I had never seen animation like it for one. The Blade Runner-esque cityscapes, the biker gangs leaving trails of neon speedlines in their wake as they zip around Neo Tokyo in what appears to be a constant state of battle. The great, strange music. Only 5 minuets in and I was riveted. The plot revolves around two members

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