

Chico and the Man

US TV series : 1974-77 : dir. : NBC / Wolper / Komack : c75 x 25 min
 prod: James Komack : scr: : dir.ph.:
[Gabriel Melgar](#)
 Jack Albertson; Freddie Prinze

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Halliwell's Television Companion review:

"A crotchety old garage owner is helped and hindered by a young Chicano. Phenomenally successful comedy series relying on characterisation. When "Chico" died in 1977, other young Chicanos were used in approximations of the role. Music by Jose Feliciano. * "

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" ..from the rare "Boy Actors Film Society Newsletter", March 1977: "**Chico and the Man**" went off TV.. Whatever happened to Gabriel Melgar, 13 ? "

[no listing in "History of Television", "Television's Greatest Hits" or "25 Years of ITV - 1955-1980"]

No further information currently available. Its degree of interest to the archive hinges again on that dicy word "young". Melgar, it seems, played a secondary character, like the Chachi role (Scott Baio) in "**Happy Days**". Nothing else is known of him. He's not listed in *The Moving Picture Boy*.

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