

WHAT'S ON/COMING SOON

Daily Info goes weekly!
 Forthcoming sheets:
 Thursday 4th, Saturday 6th, Friday 12th,
 Friday 19th and then Friday 9th January.
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GRADUATE CAREERS

AND HE TOLD THEM THAT THE
COULDN'T ENTAILLED WRITING
ECONOMIC FORECASTS - SO
THEY MADE HIM FICTION
EDITOR!

The script wasn't as sharp as most of his previous efforts either (although it was better than *Jersey Girl*), but I'd say that the success of *Zack and Miri* is definitely down to ability of its two leads to get the audience on side. Kevin Smith is still stuck in the 90s but Rogan's presence gave the whole thing a more youthful and up-to-date feel. His likeable persona also enabled the audience to shrug off any reservations about bad taste: you could warm to the more than a few Smith stunts, who never really seemed to particularly like the women they slept with. It also made the "ordinary bloke getting the hot girl" scenario way easier to believe. Helpfully there was a credible chemistry between Rogan and Banks; I thought that they were friends and was invested in their getting together.

The supporting cast was also strong. I loved that Smith managed to lure the ridiculously good-looking Brandon Routh (of many a teenage girl's fantasies) to play a gay guy and spoof his camp Superman persona; the dialogue between him and Justin Long, who played his coward and proud lover, was great stuff. The re-location of the porno shoot to the coffee shop in which *Zack* works also drew a smile - Smith fans will know that *Clerk* was filmed at night in the 7/11 where he worked at the time. He's come a long way, even if the comedy is still pretty much the same...

CINEMA **to Thu 4th**

Vue Cinema (08712 240 240)
ZACK AND MIRI MAKE A PORN [18] **Mon-Thur: 4.30, 7.30pm**
 the latest from Kevin Smith

GHOST TOWN [12A] **Mon-Thur: 1.30, 3.45, 6.30, 8.00pm; Tue: 1.30, 3.45, 6.30pm**
 Rudy Gerber has demons in his dream world

QUANTUM OF SOLACE [12A] **Mon-Thur: 1.30, 3.45, 6.30, 8.00pm; Fri: 6.45, 8.15, 9.20pm**
 Craig T. Nelson leads a team of agents

WHAT JUST HAPPENED? [15] **daily: 12.45, 3.30, 4.40, 7.30pm**
 two weeks of the world's a-mille-episodes of *What Just Happened?* See www.whatjusthappened.com

THE BRADER MENINGO COMPLEX [14] **Mon-Thur: 1.30, 3.45, 6.30pm**
 a comedy straight up with *Four Christmases* on Christmas Day

BODY OF LIES [15] **Mon-Thur: 2.30, 4.40, 6.45, 8.45pm**
 Ridley Scott directs top cast

MY BEST FRIEND'S GIRL [12A] **Mon-Thur: 2.30, 4.40, 6.45, 8.45pm**
 Rite of passage comedy

CHANGELING [15] **Mon-Thur: 2.30, 4.40, 6.45, 8.45pm**
 a brother has the wrong child returned to his. Based on a shocking true story

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CARTOON

Carbon dating

FILM REVIEW

Zack and Miri Make a Porno [18]

Showing at the Vue Cinema to at least Thu 4th.
 See Cinema listings, below left.

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GLOBE CARE Friends, clubs & conservation for international students & visitors @ 19:00pm Free/refreshments: 07925 204212 / 51 Kenton Church, Linton Rd.

A PRUDENT MAN WITH A BEAUTIFUL MISTRESS - SIBTHYRTH **BUCKLE UP FOR AGRICULTURE** In the shadow of the hills, the 19th century of the West of England. / 8pm one-members £2.70/25/1 (Earth Sciences Dept, Parks Rd)

DEUTSCHSPRACHIGER STAMMTISCH / Speak German, play German cards. / 8pm one-members £2.30pm. Free, all welcome / Fachhochschule, Koenigsplatz, Ploetzbad Rd

ENGLISH CLASS Introductory talk, bookkeeping essential. Meet in Randolph Square, 6.30pm-7.15pm. Free, optional £2.70/20/1 to book. / Ashmolean Building, Broad St.

THE INVENTION OF THE TELESCOPE Dr Sven Dager / 7pm. Free / www.bbc.co.uk/1/277801 / Museum of the History of Science, 400 Ashmolean Building, Broad St.

POVERTY FREE MOVIE: WHEN? HOW? / Professor Muhammad Yunus / 7.15pm. Free / 115, Spring St, Oxford / www.oxfordcitycentre.co.uk / 2006 / 4.50pm. Free / Sheldonian Theatre, Broad St / 303505

FROM 'INTERNATIONAL' LAW TO GLOBAL JUSTICE: PUBLIC VALUES IN PRIVATE ECONOMIC RELATIONS / Joe W. Chitt / 7pm. Free / Law Centre of St John's University / Former Clark of Amersy, USA / 5pm / Rogers Park College, Pusey St / 281229

COSE SEMINAR / The Invention of the Telescope: What Can the EU Do? / Williams & Sons / new members welcome. / 278/279 St Antony's College, Woodstock Rd

THEATRE to Sat 6th

Wolvercot Village Hall
TREASURE ISLAND (THE PANTO) **Wed 3rd - Fri 5th: 7.30pm**
 A gloriously swashbuckling adaptation. 17/15 **Sat 6th: 3.30pm, 7.30pm**

Headington School
DAILY PULLS IT OFF & LIVING WITH LADY MACBETH **Wed 3rd - Fri 5th: 7.30pm**
 A gloriously swashbuckling adaptation. 17/15 **Sat 6th: 3.30pm, 7.30pm**

O3 Gallery (246131)
A MOON BEAM LOCKED UP **Sat 6th: 8pm & 9pm**
 A gloriously swashbuckling adaptation. 17/15

OFF Studio (0844 847 2360)
PLAUSIBLE CREATURES **Thu 2nd - Sat 6th: 7.30pm**
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Burton Taylor Studio (305305)
THE FELLOW TRAVELER **Thu 2nd - Sat 6th: 7.30pm**
 Martin McDonagh plays a story of redemption and revenge. 16/15

Mirror Tent at BMW (7662266)
HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN'S MAGICAL TALES **Wed 3rd - Fri 5th: 7.30pm**
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New Theatre, Oxford (0844 8471585)
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THE BARBER OF SEVILLE **Thu 4th, Sat 6th: 7.30pm**
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Oxford Playhouse (305305)
SLEEPING BEAUTY **Fri 5th: 7pm; Sat 6th: 2.00 & 7.00pm**
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Great Milton Village Hall (01844 279474)
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OXFORD HISTORY

CLOCKS & SUNDIALS
 Clocks & Sundials
 A clock is a device for measuring time, and sundials are devices that cast a shadow from a gnomon onto a surface to indicate the time of day.

Tom, the great bell in Christ Church's Tom Tower, originally came from Osney Abbey in 1545.

Attempts to recast the bell, one of which founded the Archdeacon's garden with molten lead, kept the experts busy throughout most of the 17th century until it was finally accomplished in 1680. No one is quite sure of Tom's precise weight, but it is well over 7 tons - roughly 8 mini-timers, give or take a gear-box - and with a height of 5' 9" and a diameter of 71" he probably wins on leg-room. The bell tolls for an hour on the death of the Dean or of a reigning Sovereign. At 9.05 pm every evening there are 101 strokes to commemorate Henry VIII's foundation of 100 scholars, plus one added by a 17th Century benefactor. In less liberated times, this was also the signal for all students to return to college - the gates were locked after the last chime. The clock in Tom Tower runs five minutes slower than GMT. This is a vestige of the Oxford Time of old, Oxford being just West of Greenwich.

Carfax Tower is all that remains of St Martin's Church, originally founded by King Canute in 1034.

This was a convenient fortress in early battles between Town and Gown, and in 1341 the tower had to be lowered because its height gave the citizens an unfair advantage when shooting students with bows and arrows from the top. The original oak quarter-boys (which strike the quarters, the clock itself giving the hours) are now retired to the County Museum in Woodstock. The present metal replicas are electrically driven.

The legend of the pelican states that it scratched its breast in order to draw blood to feed its starving young. The associations with Christ's sacrifice as commemorated in the Eucharist led Corpus Christi College to adopt the motif, and it adorns the top of the sundial in the main quad. Known as the Turnbull Dial, this sundial was originally set up in 1579-81. There is a replica (1907) on the campus of Princeton University.

The celebrations for Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee were taken very seriously in Oxford. As well as the erection of the memorial clock and drinking fountain on the Plain, festivities included a party in the University Parks for 8,000 children. Tea was served in four marquees from a central steam-powered urn containing tea, water, milk and sugar, from which ran pipes with taps at intervals.