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Monday 13th May  
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Wednesday 15th May  
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Sunday 12th May  
11.15 am

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**THEATRE**

Sat 11th - Thurs 16th May  
Oxford Playhouse 305305  
**PEER GYNT** Sat 11th: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
OUDS present Ibsen's epic tale of a lovable rascal. Music by Grieg and new Oxford-based composer Amoret Abis. £6-£12. See review at www.dailyinfo.co.uk  
**ANDY SHEPPARD: NOCTURNAL TOURIST** Mon 13th : 7.30pm  
One of Britain's top saxophonists £12.50/£10.50  
**THE OXFORD REVUE VES THE CAMBRIDGE FOOTLIGHTS** Tue 14th : 7.30pm  
New comedy. £6.50 (students) / £8  
**GEORGE PIPER DANCES** Thu 16th : 7.30pm  
Ballet Boyz Nunn & Trevitt with their fierce new company. £6.50(concs)-£17

Apollo Theatre 0870 6063500

**THAT'LL BE THE DAY** Sun 12th : 7.30  
50s, 60s & 70s Rock 'n' Roll Show. £10.00-£15.50  
**Old Fire Station Theatre** 297170  
**PICASSO AT THE LAPIN AGILE** Sat 11th: 2.30, 7.30pm  
By Steve Martin. See review on www.dailyinfo.co.uk  
**CHARITY THE MUSICAL** Tues 14th - Sat 18th Daily 7.30, Sat mat: 2.30  
Sparking new musical by Sara Kreindler

Pegasus Theatre 722851

**RHINOCEROS** Sat 11th: 8pm  
"Spectacular and ridiculously funny" -Sunday Times/ £7/£4.50. See review above.  
**Burton Taylor Theatre 305350**  
**SCENES FROM AN EXECUTION** Sat 11th: 7.30pm  
By Howard Barker. Single show with interval  
**UNNATURAL SELECTION** Tue 14th - Sat 18th Daily: 9.30pm  
A silly story of pseudo-science. New writing.

**THE GARDEN PARTY** Tue 14th - Sat 18th Daily: 7.30pm  
By Vaclav Havel. Surreal story of power politics from the President Of the Czech Republic

Michael Pilch Theatre 07732 607639

**THE FIRE RAISERS** Sat 11th : 2.30, 7.30pm  
A city terrorised by unknown arsonists.  
**Moser Theatre, Wadham College**  
**TROUBLE AND STRIFE IN THE LAND OF COCONUTS AND SAND** Sat 11th : 7.30pm  
Written and directed by Peter Easterbrook

**R h i n o c e r o s**



Pegasus Theatre until Saturday 11th

A sleepy provincial town. Friends arguing over morning drinks. Suddenly, a Rhinoceros! Inescapable and educational play (discover the union stance on dismissal for turning into a Rhinoceros and why Socrates was a cat) is about fascism, and the difficulty tolerant types have opposing it.

Cast as easy-going office worker Berenger, John Nicholson is a model of hapless charm, anxiously guarding his humanity. Rhinoceros-dodging their way around the set (sharp-cornered expressionistic angles, constantly menaced by the actors' acrobatics) the rest of the crew quick-change and cavort around him in a familiar world of lazy, drunken Sundays and inefficient, acrimonious offices. The astounding Flick Ferdinand is equally at home copping grapes as a cheeky fireman or lamenting her poor squashed pussy (cat), while Javier Marzan and David Benson swap insults and hypotheses with easy charm.

Meanwhile, the townsfolk are turning into Rhinoceroses. Is it simply a matter of personal preference? Or something more sinister? David Sant, as Berenger's companion Jean, lets us see the process close up, feel the shiver of horror as a friend's voice turns into the unintelligible grunting of an animal. His final, spectacular dissolution into Rhinocerosism is an orgy of facial contortion, snorting, and licking the stage, ending with a vast explosion of bathroom debris and the intrusion of an improbably huge horn. As the town approaches rhinocerotism meltdown, and the first of the grey-suited, horned monsters appear, Phoebe Soterlades makes a fabulously offhand Daisy, charting the spread of Rhinocerosism through the pages of OK Magazine, veering through the clichés of romantic fiction to her grim conclusion; it's the world that's right, not you and me.

In the end, Rhinoceros is a play as uneasy as it is absurd, and Peep-ylks succeed, with perfect detail and impeccable timing, in delivering both the humour and the horror.

Jeremy Dennis, 09.05.02

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**MEETINGS / LECTURES**

Sat 11th May  
K.E.E.N. (KIDS ENJOY EXERCISE NOW): SPORTS SESSION / In bad weather call KEEN on 318131 / 07715 107922 to check if session still on. / Younger athletes: 2-3.20pm. Older athletes: 3.40-5pm. / New College Sports Ground, St Cross Road

**BONES 'N' STONES: OXFORDSHIRE OBJECTS /** Family event, finding local objects hidden in displays/ free / Pitt Rivers Museum, Parks Road. Open Mon-Sat 1pm-4.30pm, Sun 2pm-4.30pm. Tel: 270927

**OPEN KICKBOXING SEMINAR /** With tuition Curtis page / 12-3pm / Oxford Karate Academy, Glanville Rd, Cowley. OX4 2DB. Tel: 775454, Email: FitandKicking@aol.com

**OXFORD MEADOWS WILDLIFE GROUP /** Plant Sale - All types. Details: J Webb, 377487. / Meet: Outside Barclays Bank, Kidlington SP 492 142 / 8.45am-1.00pm

Sun 12th May  
**BONES 'N' STONES: OXFORDSHIRE OBJECTS /** See information under Saturday.

**BIRD WATCHING DAY AT FARMWOOD RESERVOIR** NON MEMBERS VERY WELCOME / Members of the public are invited to see the birds on the reservoir and the wetland reserves / 10.00am to 4.30pm Meet at Fisherman's Hut (next to the sailing clubhouse) / Farmwood Reservoir

**COWLEY ROAD CARNIVAL /** Carnival Costume Workshop / Free admission/ call 249 449 for info / 7-9pm / East Oxford Community Centre, Princes Street

**HOLYWELL CEMETERY OPEN DAY /** Guided wild-life & historical walks; plant, bring-&-buy & book stalls, refreshments. Holywell Manor Gardens open. / 2-5pm. Contact Peter/Janet Keene for more info: 820522 / Holywell Cemetery, Behind St Cross Church, St Cross Rd.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST /** Subject this week: Adam and fallen man. / 10.30am / 36 St Giles. Tel: 557605

**FLASHKICK OPEN WORK SHOP /** Combines the skills of Tae Kwon Do, Karate, Kung Fu, Acrobatics, Gymnastics & Capoeira. / 10am-1pm / Oxford Karate Academy, Glanville Rd, Cowley. OX4 2DB. Tel: 775454, Email: FitandKicking@aol.com

Sun 13th May  
**STUDENTS AGAINST CAMPSFIELD /** Every week, TERM-TIME ONLY / 6pm / Kings Arms, 40 Holywell St. Tel: 01865 242369

**K.E.E.N. (KIDS ENJOY EXERCISE NOW): CLATTER-PILLARS /** Music & Movement Group for younger athletes / 5-5.45pm / Down's Resource Centre, Parks Hospital, Headington

**BONES 'N' STONES: OXFORDSHIRE OBJECTS /** See information under Saturday.

**COWLEY ROAD CARNIVAL /** Carnival Costume Workshop/ free admission/ call 249 449 for info / 7-9pm / East Oxford Community Centre, Princes Street

**OXFORD HUNGARIAN SOCIETY /** 'A Tanu. The Witness' / 8pm in MacGregor Room / Oriol College, Oriol Square. Tel: 276555

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**GIGS / CLUB NIGHTS / MUSIC EVENTS**

Sat 11th May  
**TRANSFORMATION /** Indie. £6 (inc. downstairs bar) / 10.30pm / The Zodiac, 190 Cowley Road. Tel: 420042  
**SOUNDTRACK OF OUR LIVES /** Rock & roll mayhem. £7.50 adv / £8.50 door / 8pm / The Zodiac, 190 Cowley Road. Tel: 420042

**THE BLENDER /** Funky beats with DJ Toby & friends. £6 (incl. Transformation) / 10.30pm / The Zodiac, 190 Cowley Road. Tel: 420042

**REBEL FACTION /** Drum and Bass / The Pub Oxford / 7pm till Close / Web: www.rebel faction.com / Email: info@up2dateinfo.com

**SKELETON CREW /** Amateur musicians with mixed bag of acoustic instruments / 1-2pm, children welcome / Magic Café, 110, Magdalen Rd. Tel: 794604

**HOT SPRING HEALERS /** Blues / 11pm - 2am / Freud's, Walton Street. Tel: 311171

**PLAYGROUND /** House Music Club Night. £6/£7 / 9-2am / Bullingdon Arms, 162 Cowley Road, Oxford

Sun 12th May  
**SKELETON CREW /** A mixed bag of acoustic instruments/ Free, children welcome / 2-4 pm / Freud's, Walton Street. Tel: 311171

**THE GATHERING /** Doing church at the Zodiac. Free / 8pm / The Zodiac, 190 Cowley Road. Tel: 420042

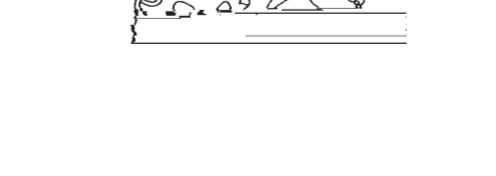
Mon 13th May  
**THE BOP /** R&B, Salsa & Cheese! £3/£2 members / 9.30pm / The Zodiac, 190 Cowley Road. Tel: 420042

**ANDY SHEPPARD: NOCTURNAL TOURIST /** One of Britain's top saxophonists / £12.50 / £10.50 / 7.30pm / Oxford Playhouse. Tel: 305305

**DAVE CARTLEDGE /** Piano / 10- 12 midnight / Freud's, Walton Street. Tel: 311171

**VESSLES /** MONKEYDRINK / djs oil & sleeve, fonda 500 video preview, vjing. / tax £2, 8.30 -12, drinks promos. / The Cellar Bar, Frewin Court, off Cornmarket. Tel: 01865 244761

**RICHARD DUTTON & PETE SIMPSON /** jazz / 8.45 / Bookbinders' Arms, Canal Street. Tel: 553549



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**CINEMA**

Sat 11th - Thurs 16th May

Ultimate Picture Palace 245288  
**MOONSON WEDDING (15)** Sat: 4.30, 9.15  
Sun: 3.30, 8.15 Mon - Thurs: 7.15  
See review at www.dailyinfo.co.uk  
**THE EXORCIST: DIRECTOR'S CUT (18)** Sat: 11.30pm, Sun 10.30pm

Based on a true story...  
**CITIZEN KANE (U)** Sat: 6.50, Sun: 6.00  
Welles' demolition of William Randolph Hearst

**NIGHT ON EARTH (11)** Mon: 9.30  
Five taxis, five stories...  
**A FISTFUL OF DYNAMITE(15)** Tue- Thurs: 9.30  
Politics and bank robbing from Sergio Leone

**Odeon George St 0870 5050007**  
**DARK BLUE WORLD (12)** Sat: 12.15, 3.15, 6.15, 9.15  
Sun - Thurs: 12.15, 3.00, 6.00, 8.45

Czech pilots in WW2  
**DOG SOLDIERS (15)** Sat: 2.30, 6.45, 9.45  
Sun: 2.30, 6.15, 9.30 Mon-Thurs:12.45 (Not Weds), 3.30, 6.15, 9.15

Squaddies v werewolves  
**THE PANIC ROOM (15)** Sat: 12.30 3.30, 6.30, 9.30  
Sun - Thurs: 12.00, 2.45, 5.45, 8.45

Mother and daughter hide from burglars in secret room.  
**BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM (12)** Sat: 3.00, 6.00, 9.00  
Sun - Wed: 2.30, 5.30, 8.30

Women's football comedy  
**ABOUT A BOY (12)** Sat: 1.00, 4.00, 7.00, 10.00  
Sun - Wed: 2.15, 5.15, 8.00 Thu: 12.00, 2.15, 3.00, 5.15, 6.00, 8.00, 9.00

12 year old helps Hugh Grant grow up  
**CROSSROADS (PG)** Sun: 12 noon  
Britney frolicking across the US  
**SHOWTIME (12)** Sat: 7.15, 9.45  
Sun - Thu: 1.30, 4.00

Murphy & De Niro (!)  
**ICE AGE (U)** Sat: 12.30, 2.45, 5.00  
Sun - Wed: 1.30, 4.00

Furry animation  
**RETURN TO NEVERLAND (U)** Sat: 12.45, Sun: 12.30

Peter Pan in WWII... animated  
**SENIOR SCREEN: BANDITS (12)** Wed Doors 10.15  
Film 10.45 Refreshments included.

Good natured crime caper.  
**STAR WARS II (PG)** Thu: 10.00, 1.15, 4.45, 8.15  
Send in the clones...

**Odeon Magdalen St 08705050007**  
**THE SCORPION KING (12)** Sat: 3.45, 6.30, 9.30  
Sun - Weds: 12.15 (not Sun), 2.45, 5.30, 8.30

Much sweat, little plot  
**JIMMY NEUTRON: BOY GENIUS (U)** Sat: 1.00, Sun: 12.30

Saving adults from aliens  
**ABOUT A BOY (12)** Sat - Weds: 12.00, 3.00, 6.00, 9.00

12 year old boy helps Hugh Grant grow up  
**BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM (12)** Thu: 2.30, 5.30, 8.30  
Women's football comedy  
**STAR WARS II (PG)** Thu: 10.45, 2.00, 5.45, 9.15  
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Phoenix Picture House 512526  
**PAULINE AND PAULETTE (15)** Daily: 1.30, (not Sun), 3.10, 6.45

Bittersweet story of elderly sisters.  
**ALI ZAOUA (15)** Sat - Tue: 4.45, 8.30, Wed & Thu: 4.45, 9.00

Homeless children plan a special funeral.  
**ITALIAN FOR BEGINNERS (15)** Sat & Sun: 7.10, 9.30 Mon & Thurs: 2.20, 9.30, Tue: 2.20, 7.10, 9.30 Wed: 4.40, 9.30

Social comedy of close-knit community  
**HAMMETT (15)** Sat, Mon & Thu: 4.40  
The author as detective.  
**ONE FROM THE HEART (15)** Tue: 4.40, Weds 2.20

Coppola's musical 4th of July  
**MAGNOLIA (18)** Sat: 10.30pm, Sun 12 noon  
Humanity laid bare, with frogs.  
**THE SHINING (18)** Sat: 11.30pm  
Jack's back to hack.  
**KIDS CLUB: VIA ROCK VEGAS (U)** Sat: 2.00pm  
Prehistoric humour. No unaccompanied adults.  
**APOCALYPSE NOW REDUX (18)** Sun: 12.15  
An extra 41 minutes of madness  
**SUCH IS LIFE (15)** Sun: 5.00  
Czech silent classic  
**FRENCH CINEMA : LE DINER DE CONS (15)** Mon: 6.30

Tables are turned in social farce.  
**NIGHT TALKS WITH MOTHER(18)** Tue: 7.00  
Autobiographical confessions.  
**THE WILD BUNCH (18)** Thu 11.30pm  
Violent western classic.  
**GREASE 2 (PG)** Thu 11.30pm  
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**Joke of the Day: GM v Microsoft**

At a recent computer expo (COMDEX), Bill Gates reportedly compared the computer industry with the auto industry and stated, "If GM had kept up with the technology like the computer industry has, we would all be driving \$25.00 cars that got 1,000 miles to the gallon."

In response to Bill's comments, General Motors issued a press release stating, "If GM had developed technology like Microsoft, we would all be driving cars with the following characteristics:  
1. For no reason whatsoever, your car would crash twice a day.  
2. Every time they painted new lines on the road, you would have to buy a new car.  
3. Occasionally your car would die on the freeway for no reason. You would have to pull over to the side of the road, close all of the windows, shut off the car, restart it, and open the windows before you could continue. For some reason you would simply accept this.  
4. Occasionally, executing a manoeuvre such as a left turn would cause your car to shut down and refuse to restart, in which case you would have to reinstall the engine.  
5. Only one person at a time could use the car unless you bought "CarNT," but then you would have to buy more seats.  
6. Macintosh would make a car that was powered by the sun, was reliable, five times as fast and twice as easy to drive -- but it would only run on five percent of the roads.  
7. The oil, water temperature and alternator warning lights would all be replaced by a single "general protection fault" warning light.  
8. The airbag system would ask, "Are you sure?" before deploying.  
9. Occasionally, for no reason whatsoever, your car would lock you out and refuse to let you in until you simultaneously lifted the door handle, turned the key and grabbed the hood of the antenna.  
10. GM would require all car buyers to also purchase a deluxe set of Rand McNally Road maps (now a GM subsidiary), even though they neither need nor want them. Attempting to delete this option would immediately cause the car's performance to diminish by 50 percent or more. Moreover, GM would become a target for investigation by the Justice Department.  
11. Every time GM introduced a new car, buyers would have to learn to drive all over again because none of the controls would operate in the same manner as the old car.  
12. You'd have to press the "start" button to turn the system off!