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TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2002 (4TH WEEK)

COMING

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Marios Papadopoulos conductor.
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GIGS

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CINEMA

To Thursday 14th February

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HARRY POTTER AND THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE (PG)
Tues, Wed: 11.00, 2.15, Thur: 12.30
Bedknobs and broomsticks (or was that something else...?)

MONSTERS INC. (U) Daily: 10.30, 1.00, 3.30, 6.00
Incapable furry fright-mongers.

IRIS (15) Daily: 1.15 (not Thurs), 3.45, 6.30, 9.00
Judi Dench in biopic of authoress Iris Murdoch.

VANILLA SKY (15) Daily: 2.30, 5.30, 8.30
Womanising Tom Cruise gets his comeuppance.

BLACK HAWK DOWN(18) Daily: 8.20
True story of an American military engagement in Somalia.

SHALLOW HAL (12) Daily: 12.20, 3.00, 5.45, 8.45
Gwyneth Paltrow in a 400lb 'fatsuit'. Another triumph of sensitive characterization.

TRAINING DAY(18) Daily: 5.45, 8.45
Ethan Hawke and Denzel Washington in cop film.

LORD OF THE RINGS (PG). Daily: 12.00, 3.45, 7.35
Epic fantasy adventure. (Possibly not suitable for under-8's)

SENIOR SCREEN : PEARL HARBOUR(12)
Wed : Doors 10.15, Film 10.45.

Refreshments included.

OCEAN'S 11 (12) Thu : 11.45, 2.45, 5.45, 8.45
Star-studded remake of 60s thriller

The Zodiac 420042
INTERVIEWS WITH THE VAMPIRES FROM POOLE
Tue 12th: 7.30

Plus 3 documentary shorts. 741682

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English domestics via Robert Altman

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English domestics via Robert Altman

VA SAVOIR(PG) Mon: 1.45, 6.30, Thur: 1.45, 8.30
Likeable character-driven drama

A MA SOEUR (18) Daily: 4.30, 6.30 Sun 4.50, 6.30
Mon: 4.30, 9.10 Wed: 4.20

Fragile relationship of sisters on the brink of adulthood.

KIDS CLUB : PRINCESS MONONKE (PG)
Sat : 2.00

See above. No unaccompanied adults!

THIS IS SPINAL TAP (15) Sat: 11.30pm
Legendary spoof rockumentary.

SECRETS AND LIES (15) Wed: 5.45
Introduced by Mike Leigh himself. Booking advised

FIGHT CLUB (18) Thurs : 11.30pm
Anarchy, insomnia and soap. Oh, and fighting.

BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY'S (PG) Thu : 11.30pm
Don't make 'em like this any more...

Ultimate Picture Palace 245288

LORD OF THE RINGS (PG) Daily : 9.00
Best film ever etc etc. (Possibly not suitable for under-8's)

CLERKS (18) Daily: 7.15
Kevin Smith's debut - filmed in the convenience store where he worked at the time.

MEETINGS

JON RONSON / Discusses his book 'Them: Adventures with Extremists' / 7.00 pm / Borders bookshop, 9, Magdalen St, Oxford OX1 3AD; Tel: 203901

C.S. LEWIS SOCIETY. PLEASE BRING A BOOK! / A chance to share...8.15pm / Pusey House, St Giles

FANTASTIC FOSSILS / A fun-packed day of fossil discovery - suitable for kids 5-12- must be accompanied / 2-4pm BOOKING ESSENTIAL / Museum of Natural History, Parks Road .Open 12noon-5pm daily; Tel: 272970, Fax: 272950

THIS HOUSE BELIEVES 'AMERICAN EXCEPTIONALISM' IS ARROGANT DELUSION. / Pro: Will Hutton, Jonathan Story, Opp: Iain Duncan-Smith, James Rubin / 8.30pm / Oxford Union, Frewin Court

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Valentine's Day News

Special meals for Thursday, Feb. 14th:

Those restaurants with spaces left are booking up quickly, so if you'd like a special meal, arrange it soon!

Fishers, St Clements, tel. 243003. 4 courses: £27.50 pp. + 10% service charge. 6 & 10pm bookings only.

RESTAURANT REVIEW: ZIZZI'S, GEORGE STREET

Zizzi's is the all-new Italian restaurant to grace Oxford. Situated opposite the George Street Cinema and next to the Mongolian Wok, Zizzi's is handy for a pre-theatre or post cinema pasta, and it was for the latter that my boyfriend and I decided to try it out.

The décor is deeply cool - natural fabrics, lots of wood, hundreds of candles and lovely large tables. The room is on three split levels, which makes the large space seem much more intimate, and we snuggled into our suede sofa-seat, piling up the scatter cushions, worrying that the menu might be priced according to the décor and therefore out of our range.

Luckily when the menus arrived we could really relax. Prices are about average for Italian food in Oxford. Slightly dearer than Ginòs, but cheaper than Ask, pizza costs about £6 (Margherita costs £4.95) and pastas comes in at £6.50 ish (Bolognese costs £5.50).

We shared a huge garlic bread stuffed with rosemary and sea salt, freshly made from thin crispy pizza bread (£3.75), which filled us up so much that we didn't fancy a starter, but from nosily observing our fellow diners, I can verify that the salads and focaccia with goats cheese and aubergines (both about £4) looked particularly nice. Our pastas were delicious. Students eat so much pasta that eating it in a restaurant is a bit of a waste to Newcastle scenario, but this was amazing. Lovely and garlicky and cheesy and delicious - and plentiful. I had fusilli with a generous amount of roasted Mediterranean vegetables, and a homemade pesto sauce. My boyfriend chose penne Della casa after I shared my observation that since the bloke at the neighbouring table only managed to finish half of it there might be enough to fill him up (the likes a big portion does my boyfriend). This baked pasta and chicken, roasted peppers and broccoli in a gorgonzola-cream sauce with goats cheese and parmesan, was deliciously rich. After all this, pudding was sadly out of the question. Next time I might try to eat less lunch before hand, and fit in one of the tiramisus, or ice creams. The chocolate bias on the dessert menu is something that I will have to bring girlfriends out to sample with glee (I think that we would appreciate it more!). As for wine, the house red was smooth and ridiculously easy to drink, and at £11, was not bad value. In true Italian style, it would have been nice to have another bottle, wait a bit, and then reconsider puds! Next time ...

The atmosphere of Zizzi's is luxurious and pleasant. The little tea lights give the place a welcoming soft glow, and the emphasis on texture makes the whole eating experience tactile and pleasurable. The food is miles ahead of any of the other restaurants serving the same thing, and, unless this is only beginner's luck, I would recommend it to you for whenever you need a really good meal out. At about £15 a head, it's good value too. Take your friends, take your date, take your parents. What a versatile and useful place to know about!

Katherine Knowles, 09.02.02



ON THIS DAY...
...in 1554: Lady Jane Grey, the "nine days' Queen", was beheaded on Tower Hill in London aged just 17

WEBSITES OF THE DAY

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