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GRAHAM HARVEY PIANO TRIO / Mike Smith & Tim Dawes / 8pt

-10pm / Free / Old Parsonage Hotel, Banbury Rd

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Oxford Playhouse, 14 - 18 February 2006 Thursday 7.30pm, Friday 8pm, Saturday 2.30 & 7.30pm

The Oxford Playhouse was almost wall-covall middle-aged couples enjoying a Valentine's Day theatre trip last night, so the wonderfully romance-free humour of this new play by Alan Ayckbourn provided welcome relief. The first half creaked rather slowly into action, following the meeting of a motley crew of writer's desperately attempting to fulfil their literary dreams but waysluid all too often by petty sniping. The unassuming Annold, with lited confidence in his own imaginative abilities, happy instead to write plain English instruction booklets, draws together a bunch of wannabe writers painfully facking in ability. The group is hopelessly at odds, with interests ranging from historical romance through to science fact (1 wish 1 had made it up' mutters. Clem). Only Arnold holds them together, yet his suggestion that they try to pool resources prose down like a lead ballon.

Thankfully we then plunge into the wilds of Arnold's supposedly non-existent imagination and are soon romping through each writer's 'improbable fiction' with Arnold unwittingly caught up in the midst of Jeas's Victorian melodrama, Wris' 30's Intiller and Clemis wavely scift. As the gets the hang of What's going on Arnold begins to direct the action, settling into his own role as benevolent uncle, lord and master. A castade of clinkies charge across the stage emphasising the tendency of apriling witers to produce hackenged. plotlines and stereotyped characters. Ayckbourn's series of clever pastiches is heavily indebted to Wilkie

Building to a fibulous finale with Grace's 'Doblin the Goblin' and Clem's host of alien hunters singing Brevés musical version of Pilgrim's Progress, the joy of this production was most definitely in the second half, when it became clear that Ayckbourn was bringing to life the creations outlined in the writer's group meeting of the first act. If you can sit through the first forty minutes, the rest is worth the wait.

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#### REVIEW - THE OXFORD AMNESTY LECTURES Ahdaf Soueif: The Function of Narrative in the War on Terror and Beyond Thursday 9 February - The Sheldonian Theatre

The subject of this year's Oxford Amnesty Lectures is 'War on Terror'; not a matter for surprise in The subject of this year's Oxford Amnesty Lectures is 'War on Terror'; not a matter for surprise in the current political climate, but nonetheless a brave and, frankly, useful choice. We're reminded daily of the widening gulf between different cultures and faith systems, but much of our immediate interaction is still with people who are likely to share our background and views, with various counter-arguments distanced, demonised, or ignored. OAL provides a safe, accessible, and challenging forum for discussion on this most important and controversial of subjects, covering various different points of view, and inviting questions from the audience.

The current series brings together some big names in literature, history, political science, philosophy rine current series or impossing sogeties some og lanters in metature, instory, pointeral science, primosophy, economies and law, with the object of defining the nature and implications of the 'War on Teror'. Questions addressed include whether the 'war on terror' is also a 'war on rights', whether the methods of terror are also used by those who claim to be at war with it, the possibility of justifying the resort to terrorism, and the issue of the curtailment of civil liberties as a response to terrorism.

Novelist and translator Ahdaf Souief, born in Cairo and educated in Egypt and England, spoke on The function of narrative in the war on terror and beyond', seeking to explore and explain the way our perception of our own condition, the 'story we tell ourselves about ourselves', if you will. Her our perception of our own condition, the "story we tell ounserives about ourselves", if you will. Her style is intimate, inviting the audience to appreciate her point of view by making the assumption that they are already complicit, repeating startling assertions by religious leaders and politicians and public figures with a certain way humour; notions of race, colonidism and religion, an invitation by the authorities at UCLA for students to shop their professors for talking about the war. Given the largeness of the topic, Souider did run out of time at the end of the lecture, disappointingly, but the body of her argument was refreshing, thought-provoking, and, well, entertaining.

Oxford Amnesty Lectures has been running since 1992, and since then has raised over £100,000 for Amnesty International. Past series have included talks from Jacques Derrida, Susan Sontag, and Noam Chomsky. Next up, on Friday 17th February, is Jeff McMahan, Professor of Philosophy at the State University of New Jersey, who has written on nuclear deterrence, the justifications for war and the implications of terrorism. I recommend this as a chance to widen your outlook, to hear opinions that don't necessarily tally with your own, to not rest easy in the comfort of your

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