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SON OF RAMBOW [12A] ✍ Thu: 12.30, 2.45, 5.20, 7.30, 9.40pm
Schoolboys make their own action epic. Fri: 1.45, 6.45pm
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You're not a celebrity but you get pretty much rave reviews for your performances. How do you feel about that?

It reassures me that what I've been taught over the years does work. I've always looked at actors I've admired – Timothy Spall, Jim Broadbent. What I love about their acting is there's no glimpse of them in it. In an age of celebrity, people think they should be worshipped for themselves. With good actors, it's nothing to do with them. What's reassuring about the directors I've worked with, is that they do the same thing! The storm's on the periphery. But when you get in there, it's very calm.

You've worked with Mike Leigh, done "Pierrepoint" – films with a social conscience. Is that important to you?

Yes, but it has to be done well. It has to lead people. You don't give them answers, you give them questions. I think that's one of the jobs of films – to make people think.

You've worked with some amazing directors – Scorsese, Terrence Malik, Mike Leigh. Can you tell us a bit about their different working methods?

Terrence Malik (on *The New World*) is very fluid and organic, very Zen-like and centred, writing all the time on set. As an actor you have to be very free, take a leap. I was lucky to be in it – you can easily get cut from movies like that. Mike Leigh's improvisational. It fitted me like a glove. He puts his faith in you: he's got nothing without you creating the part too, so it's a great compliment.

As a character actor you can pursue parts that people like Tom Cruise or Colin Farrell wouldn't get to do...

Timothy Spall described it best. Some actors play wish-fulfilment characters and some play people who are subject to the universe, who aren't conquering their environment. And that's what character actors play. That's the big difference between European and American drama. Actors like Paul Giamatti and Philip Seymour Hoffman were appreciated in Europe long before they were in America.

You mean they play characters who fail or are flawed?

No, it's not to say they don't prevail in the end. My character does in *Sixty Six*. When audiences sit down, they don't wish they were the characters I play – but they can see themselves in them. Makes them forgive themselves a bit. The reason we punish ourselves is we think no one else is like us. My job as an actor is to play characters so people can feel less alone.

You mention a lot of fellow actors. Are you still learning all the time?

All the time. Jim Broadbent playing Lord Longford – it's like a masterpiece with tiny brushstrokes. That's what I want to emulate. Tim Spall, on *Pierrepoint*, did this big speech and everyone was captivated: they went 'Cut' and he said, 'Can I do it again? I think I was enjoying myself too much'. That's what you call good acting.

You've done TV – Poliakoff's Friends and Crocodiles, series like Charles II. But you mostly do films. Is that deliberate?

Yes. It suits me, the whole rhythm. It's a different thing to TV. I travel all over the world. And I love the process of filmmaking. I'd love to direct one day but I'm a million miles from that at the moment.

Do you watch your own performances?

Yes, I do. To make sure I can see when I'm being indulgent and when I'm not. You keep an eye on yourself. I don't watch during filming but I do sit down afterwards.

Do you get starstruck when meeting other actors? Are you easy to work with yourself?

Daniel Day-Lewis blew me away in *Gangs of New York*. But you don't get starstruck 'cos they're just normal people. If they're getting a cup of tea, they'll get one for you. And, yes, I think I'm easy to work with. You'd have to ask other people! I've been at it for seventeen years now. I've been at the bottom and when things come gradually you can't fool yourself.

You were an apprentice printer before you got into acting.

Yes. I got a job as an extra on a film in my area and thought – I'd like to do that! I didn't have any members of my family who were into acting. I think people should live a life though before they can portray a life.

And do you like watching films generally?

I love all types of films. One of my favourites is Todd Solondz's *Happiness*. In an Iranian film, the bloke playing the uncle – we all have an uncle like that. The gift to the world from international films is that once you scratch the surface, we're all the same.

But you're still making your mark in films.

Yes. But my kids haven't worked it out yet. There was a trailer on TV when I did *Sixty Six*, and my wife was going – Look, there's daddy! But to them it wasn't. It was just some funny bloke.

You appeared as Malvolio in a garden play in Oxford in the early 90s. What was that like?

I can't believe you saw that! It was a couple of years after drama school. And it was all about learning. You play a part like Malvolio – Shakespeare – you're bound to learn a lot about dialogue. You saw that?

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STUDENT ROOMS, BOTLEY Road, close to city centre. Availablle July for 12 months. £390pcm. debbie@nops.co.uk

MEETINGS AND LECTURES

Thu 24th

ATTITUDINAL HEALING / Non-judgemental circle. 19.30 for 20.00 - 21.30. Don's appx £4.50 / Ann 01869 246839 / 43 St. Giles

GO / BADUK / WEIQI: PLAY & LEARN / Oriental board-game - play or watch, free lessons / Free - 7pm / 248775 / 273928 / Freud's, Walton St

DO ACADEMICS NEED A DOCTORATE? / Stephen Court / 4pm-5.30pm. Free / Oxford Learning Institute, Littlegate House, St Ebbe's

THE MATERIAL OF THE DIGITAL: CONSTRUCTING A COMPUTING GALLERY AT THE SCIENCE MUSEUM / Dr Tilly Blyth/ 3.30pm-5pm / Oxford Internet Institute, 1 St Giles

THE HISTORY AND FATE OF THE UNIVERSE / Prof George F Smoot / Halley Lecture / 5.30pm. Free / Clarendon Laboratory, Parks Rd

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE TALK / Graham Robb from the YJB: Restorative Justice in Children's Services / 1-2pm, lunch included / 268186 / Trinity College

AFTER HOURS / Local businesses networking opportunity! / 5pm - late, free / 241261 / The Regal, (the old Bingo Hall), Magdalen Street, East Oxford

FIND OUT HOW TO WORK IN KIDS' TV / Free network event for freelancers & budding talent / 7pm / www.ofvm.org / 07799411994 / Oxford Film & Video makers, 54 Catherine St

Fri 25th

SOCIAL EVENING / IVC Social Events Club / 8.30pm / www.oxfordshireivc.org.uk / 516239 & 01635 578215 / Plough Inn, Wolvercote Green

THE MERCURIAL EMPEROR / Dr Peter Marshall on The Magic Circle of Rudolf II in Renaissance Prague / 7.30pm £6 (Friends £3) / www.jupitertrust.org / 407490 / NOA Community Centre, at the Ferry Centre, Summertown

SCHUBERT IN A COLD CLIMATE / Talk by Dr Elizabeth McKay w/ music, readings, & wine. / 6pm, £10 / 277234 / Grove Auditorium, Magdalen College

PATTERN AND DESIGN / Introductory talk / 1.15 - 2pm, free (optional donation £2) / Book on 278015 / Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont St

TEN MINUTE TREASURE TALKS / On one of the objects on display. Suitable for all. / 12.15pm. Free. / Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont St. 278000

GIGS

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A Night Of Soul
Ft. Natalie Williams
CHARITY SOUL NIGHT
Soul Family, Vula (Basement Jaxx), Kyla Brox & Band
Tuesday 29th April
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Aidan Smith 'music that unites nations'
Sunday 27th April, 7pm till late,
FREE ENTRY!

Thu 24th

CATWEAZLE CLUB / Performance space for music, poetry and story. / 8-11pm / £4/£3 / East Oxford Community Centre, 44b Princes St.

ILIKETRAINS + KYTE + MORE / "Library Rock" / 7pm £7 adv / The Zodiac ‰ Carling Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road, OX4 1UE / 0844 477 2000

WAS (NOT WAS) / Art-funk collective from Detroit. / 7pm / Carling Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road, OX4 1UE / 0844 477 2000

BABY GRAVY ‰ SMASH DISCO / 11pm - 2am / £3/£2 with flyer / 813 500 / Carling Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road, OX4 1UE / 0844 477 2000

DJ DEREK + HIPBONE SLIM (LIVE) / Bristol reggae legend plus gritty live 50's R&B / jump-jive trio / 10.30-2am, £5/£4 with flyer / Carling Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road 0844 477 2000

MEPHISTO GRANDE, KEYBOARD CHOIR / Lively blues and keyboards / Freud's, Walton St; Tel: 311171

NATTY HI-FI ROOTS REGGAE / Treasure Isle celebration + Sister Ali on sax / 8-11pm, free / 07906 673 212 / Temple Bar, 21 Temple St / 243251

TELLING THE BEES, ROXANNE, EMMA HARPER / Folk rock / 8pm £5 / Jericho Tavern, 56 Walton St / 311775

MARIANA MAGNAVITA + THE VATICAN CELLARS / Acoustic soulfulness / 7:30pm onwards / £3 ‰door / 07707542623 / Baby Simple

Fri 25th

NOT MY DAY, BETHANY WEIMER, SMILEX, REASON 6 / 8 pm £4 /£3 / 07790 32513 / Exeter Hall, 1 Oxford Rd

MINISTRY OF SOUND / Much-anticipated opening of the 'Great Room'. Bring student ID / 9.30pm - 3am, £10 adv / 241 261 / The Regal, 300 Cowley Road, (the old Bingo Hall), East Oxford, OX4 1US

THE HALF RABBITS, SENNEN / Local goth popsters - proceeds to Oxfam / 8pm £5 / The Wheatsheaf, Wheatsheaf Alley, 129 High St / 721156

ALVIN ROY'S REEDS UNLIMITED / Swing/Mainstream jazz / 8.30-11pm free / 792718 / Old Orleans Bar, George St

KARINE POLWART / Trad folk. Rescheduled from 2nd December. / 7pm £12.50 / Carling Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road, OX4 1UE / 0844 477 2000

JAZZ SAX TRIO / Ian Ellis with T Lapthorn & T Dawes. Outside if fine, open to non-diners. / 8-10pm (free) / 310210 / Old Parsonage Hotel, Banbury Rd

OXFORD FOLK CLUB / Our last Open Night at the Port Mahon. Come and join in. / £2 / www.oxfordfolkclub.com / Port Mahon, St. Clement's

HUGH MCMANNERS BAND / Classic blues-rock covers: smell that AC30, dig dat Gibson howl. / 9pm - 12am, free / Magdalen Arms, 243 Iffley Rd; 243159

MARWAN ABADO & PETER ROSMANITH / Paelstinian oud player & Austrian percussionist / 8pm / £10/£8 / 305305 / Memorial Hall, Ramsden

SHIRLEY & SUPER DEADLY NINJA BEES / Local popsters / Moshka Presents / 8pm £4 / Bullingdon Arms, 162 Cowley Road, Oxford; Tel: 244516

NIZLOPI + MORE / 7pm £10 adv / The Zodiac ‰ Carling Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road /0844 477 2000

LES CLOCHARDS / Part Maurice Chevalier, part Elvis / 9 pm / free / 243203 / Chester Arms, Chester St, off Iffley Rd

MISO ENSEMBLE / Circuits: New Music of Portugal. / 8pm. £15 / £10 / JdP Music Building, St. Hilda's College, Cowley Place / 276821

DIAL F FOR FRANKENSTEIN / Purple Turtle, Frewin Court, off Cornmarket /247007

THE PETE FRYER BAND, REDOX / Classic Covers and Swamp Rock / 8pm. Free / Jack Russell, 21 Salford Rd, Marston; Tel: 247668

DANIEL HAMMERSLEY, MARTHA ROSWELL, TAMARA PARSONS, FACEOMETER / Acoustic pop and folk / 8pm £5 / Jericho Tavern, 56 Walton St.; Tel: 311775