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Sun-Thur: 12.30, 3.15, 6.00, 8.45
The teenage search for sex continues.
JEEPERS CREEPERS (15)
Fri&Sat: 1.00, 10.15
Sun-Thur: 12.00, 9.15
Students make terrifying discovery...
BROTHERHOOD OF THE WOLF (15)
Fri&Sat: 4.00, 7.15
Sun-Thur: 3.00, 6.15
Mysterious beast-related deaths

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THE MAN WHO WASN'T THERE (15)
Fri&Sat: 12.45, 3.45, 6.45, 9.45
Sun-Thur: 11.15, 2.15, 5.15, 8.15
Coen brothers' latest
ENIGMA (15)
Fri&Sat: 6.15, 9.15
Sun-Thur: 6.00, 8.45
Against-the-clock code-breaking drama.
AMELIE (15)
Daily: 11.30, 2.30, 5.00, 8.30
From the director of 'Delicatessen'
MOULIN ROUGE (12)
Fri&Sat: 12.45, 3.30, 6.30, 9.30
Sun-Thur: 11.30 (not Wed), 2.30, 5.30, 8.30
Sumptuous musical hedonism.
LEGALLY BLONDE (12)
Fri&Sat: 12.00, 2.30, 5.00, 7.30, 10.00
Sun-Thur: 1.30, 4.00, 6.30, 9.00
Reese Witherspoon becomes unlikely law student
AMERICA'S SWEETHEARTS (12)
Fri & Sat: 11.15, 1.45, 4.15, 7.00, 9.45
Sun-Thur: 12.45, 3.15, 6.00, 8.45
Romantic comedy.
ATLANTIS (U)
Fri & Sat: 10.45, 1.15, 3.45
Sun-Thur: 1.15, 3.45
Search for the lost continent
THE LITTLE VAMPIRE (PG)
Movie Mob. All tickets £2
SEE SPOT RUN (PG)
Movie Mob. All tickets £2
BAMBOOZLED (18)
Black History Season
WHAT WOMEN WANT (12)
Wed: Doors 10.15am, Film 10.45
Senior screen, includes refreshments.

Ultimate Picture Palace 245288
PLANET OF THE APES (12)
Fri&Sat: 6.45, Sun 5.45
Tim Burton's 're-imagining'
MEDEA (15)
Sat: 3.45, Sun: 2.45
Adaptation of Euripides' classic tragedy
BATTLE ROYALE (18)
Fri&Sat: 9.15, 11.30pm
Sun: 8.15, 10.30; Mon: 5.00; Tue-Thur: 9.15
Japanese killing spree
THEORUM (18)
Part of the Pasolini season
NORTH BY NORTHWEST (PG)
Tue-Thur: 6.45
Hitchock's classic thriller
DRACULA, PRINCE OF DARKNESS (18)
Wed&Thur: 11.20pm
A halloween special...

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AMELIE (15)
Fri: 1.50, 4.15, 9.10
Sat: 4.15, 6.40, 9.10
Sun: 2.00, 4.15, 6.40, 9.10; Mon: 4.00, 9.10
Tue-Thur: 4.00, 6.40, 9.10
From the director of 'Delicatessen'
THE MAN WHO WASN'T THERE (15)
Daily: 1.40 (not Sun), 4.00, 6.30, 9.00
Coen brothers' latest
SWEET SMELL OF SUCCESS (PG)
Fri: 11.30pm; Sun: 2.15; Mon-Thur: 2.00
Burt Lancaster, Tony Curtis in 50's Film-Noir
CADDYSHACK (15)
Fri: 11.30pm
Chevy Chase, Bill Murray in 80's comedy
BACK TO THE FUTURE (PG)
Fri: 11.30pm
'Run for it, Marty!'
P.O.V. (15)
Fri: 7.00pm
Plus Q&A with members of cast and crew
KIDS CLUB: GHOSTBUSTERS (PG)
Sat: 2.00
No unaccompanied adults!
QUARTERMASS AND THE PIT
60's horror/sci-fi
Sat: 11.30pm
SHORT FILMS (15)
Sun: 12 noon
Part of Black History Month
JULES ET JIM (PG)
Sun: 12.00 noon
Mon: 6.30
Associated with Maison Francaise d'Oxford
FAST AND THE FURIOUS
Thur: 11.30pm
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Sissy Spacek gets 'bloody nasty'.....

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Sat 27th Mat: 2.30
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Fri 2nd: 8.00; Thur 1st & Sat 3rd Mats: 2.30
Shakespeare's tale of deception, disappointment and disguise

Pegasus 722851
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27th: 8.00
Oxford youth theatre

Apollo 0870 6063500
SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS
Starring Sam Kane Tue 30th - Sat 3rd : 7.30
Wed & Sat Mats: 2.30
HALF WAY TO PARADISE Sun 28th: 7.30
The Billy Fury Story

Old Fire Station 794490
CYRANO DE BERGERAC Tue 30th - Sat 3rd: 7.30
Sat Mat: 2.30
'Love, passion, poetry, big swords and nose fights!'
CHESS Tue 23rd - Sat 27th: 7.30
Sat Mat: 2.30
Musical by Tim Rice, Bjorn Ulvaeus, and Benny Andersson

Burton Taylor 793797
THE TRIAL Tue 30th - Sat 3rd: 7.30
by Franz Kafka, dramatised by Stephen Berkoff
FUTURISMI! Tue 30th - Sat 3rd: 9.30
1920's Italian Futurist poetry adapted for the stage
THE BROWNING VERSION Tue 23rd - Sat 27th: 7.30
Tale of a boy's struggle with loneliness
AMERICAN BUFFALO Tue 23rd - Sat 27th: 9.30
David Mamet's twist on typical life at Don's Resale Shop

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REVIEW: THEATRE

The Caretaker

by Harold Pinter
Oxford Playhouse,
to Saturday 27th October

'The Caretaker' is a bleakly humorous play concerning three borderline dysfunctional men in a run-down room in a mostly uninhabitable house. All are too self-absorbed to have more than a perfunctory conversation, often talking at cross purposes or ignoring each other.
The story begins after the somewhat simple Aston (Julian Lewis-Jones) impulsively offers refuge in his dilapidated, junk-strewed room to a tramp called Davies, played by Malcolm Story. Both are child-like: Aston gentle, shy and inarticulate; Davies alternating between transparent greed, self-pity and wheedling camaraderie. At first it seems that a mutually beneficial friendship may develop, but we come to discover that they both seem to lack the articulation and trust that this would require.
The situation is complicated by occasional appearances by the owner of the house, Mick (Lee Boardman), Aston's younger, sharper brother. Mick acts more like a teenager, showing off his knowledge and facility with words, dreaming bigger dreams. His attitude to Davies alternates between hostility, cruel taunting and false friendship, though the baffled tramp seems best able to cope with the anger.
Each of the characters has a dream which has come to symbolise a better life: Aston wants to build a shed in the garden, Davies simply to get to Sidcup and pick up his 'papers'. Mick is more ambitious, with obsessively detailed plans for the renovation and redecoration of the house. Ultimately, though, it seems that they are expending all their efforts just maintaining their lives, and lack the energy and force of will that any kind of improvement would require.
The play is long, but so absorbing that it doesn't feel it in the slightest. A script like this makes great demands on the actors and they rise to the occasion beautifully, giving truly powerful and moving performances. The set design and lighting are ragged cross-section, strewn with junk, its one window giving an impressively convincing impression of weather and time of day. Sound-effects and music are used subtly but effectively.
In short, this is an excellent production, highly recommended.
Alex Williams 23/10

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