

Bang the Drum sad but corny

There are some movies that are so nice, so harmless and often so well received by the public that a person can go nuts trying to say something critically intelligent about them.

Bang the Drum Slowly is one of those movies. It is the story of a big league baseball catcher who is dying of Hodgkin's disease. It is obviously so replete with tenderness, sadness, heartbreaks, etc., that it would be easiest for the reviewer to give detailed plot summary and finish by calling it "a touching and charming little jewel."

Bang the Drum is certainly more literate than *Love Story*, and although perhaps not as moving as television's *Brian's Song*, it is a better cinematic achievement.

Like its predecessors, the tragedy of the situation is emotionally portrayed through a close friend left behind.

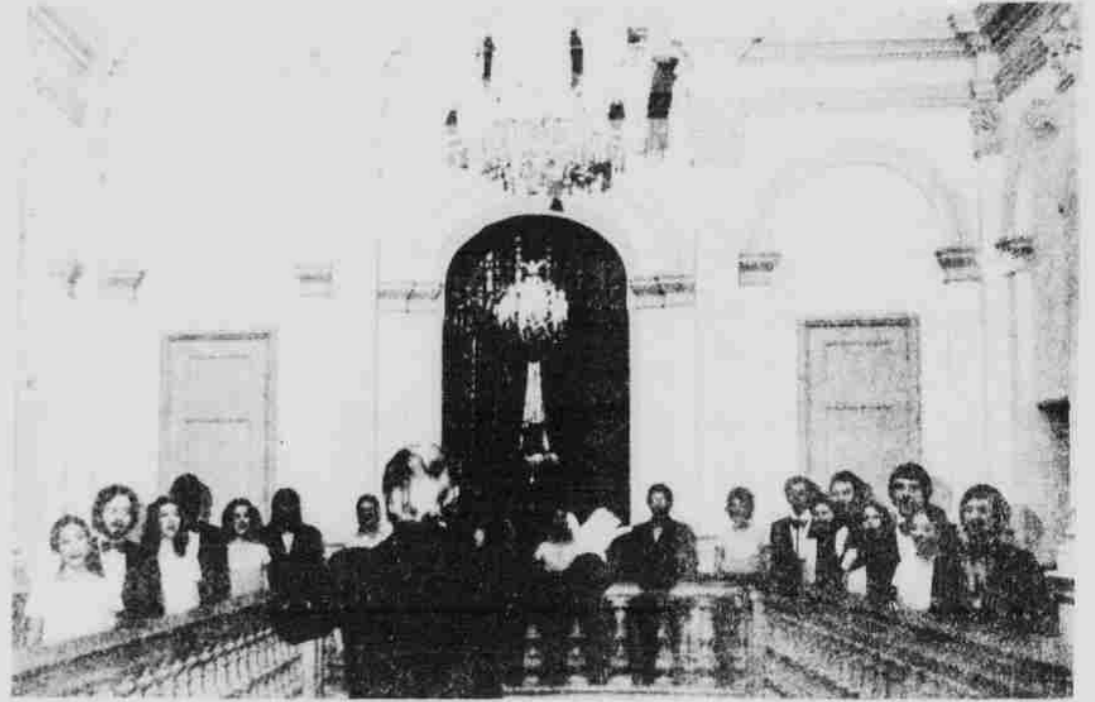
The victim is Bruce Pearson (Robert De Niro), a backward country

boy who greases his hair in a pompadour and is constantly chewing and spitting tobacco. His faithful friend Henry Wiggins, (Michael Moriarty) is a tall, handsome stud.

greg lukow
key grip

At the start of the baseball season, Pearson is a laughed-at and heckled third-string catcher. But after the team finds out about his sickness, he becomes a starter and miraculously the team pulls together and makes it to the World Series.

Because of its well-handled and humorous look at the world inside the dugout, *Bang the Drum Slowly* is a better baseball story than a tear jerker.



Music for multi-dimensional singing is the theme of a concert by the Gregg Smith Singers tonight at 8 in Kimball Recital Hall. The chorale will sing from several spots in the auditorium. Tickets are \$1 at the Nebraska Union, Westbrook Music Bldg, 113 or at the door.

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The Gentle Creature by Robert Bresson is this week's foreign film, showing at Sheldon Gallery at 7 and 9 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Dominique Sanda stars as a young wife who has committed

suicide, whose married life is explored through flashbacks.

Bresson, whose previous works include *Au Hasard Balthazar* and *Mouchette*, tells his stories in a reflective style, usually characterized as "austere."

Soprano Margaret Eaves will sing Mozart, Schumann, Debussy, Faure and Satie in a free faculty recital at 8 p.m.

Tuesday in Kimball Recital Hall.

Art classes and a multi-media art show are some of the activities starting this month at Haymarket Gallery, 119 South 9th St.

Courses in painting, sculpture, silkscreen, macrame, glassblowing, weaving and other skills are beginning in late October. Interested people can call 432-7373.

The "Best in Western Art" show will be open to the public Oct. 4-29.

Guides wanted

Students interested in serving as guides for high school Senior Information Days, Oct. 6, 13, 27, and Nov. 17, should call 432-4139.

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SKI SHOW



The University of Nebraska Ski Club in cooperation with Frontier Airlines is sponsoring a bus trip to the Omaha Hilton for the biggest ski show in the west. The latest fashions, equipment, movies, and every major ski area will be there.

The bus will leave the Nebraska Union at 6:00 p.m. October 3 and arrive back in Lincoln at 11:00 p.m. The cost is \$2.50 which includes admission to the show.

Buy tickets at Union South Desk 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or contact Pat Scanlon, 472-2458.

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