

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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Joshua Gillin

## Court show a travesty

Whenever I talk to friends who plan on becoming lawyers, I can't help but think of my first experience with the law.

How the judge glared angrily from the bench. How the sullen group of spectators stared vacantly at the plaintiff from behind the court. How the bailiff (Rusty, I believe) stood quietly next to the flag of California. And how Doug Llewelyn, Mr. Bouffant himself, asked for the plaintiff's reaction after she won.

I'm talking, of course, about "The People's Court."

Everyone (except for my roommate) has seen it at least once, I'm sure. It's that show that always has some pair (or more) of idiots from California who "have agreed to drop their court cases and settle their dispute here, in our forum." Or something like that.

It's that show that always had something about a dog gone bad. "His dog bit my child, your honor," a plaintiff would say. "I want the mongrel put to sleep!" they'd cry. No mention of the fact that the kid was lighting the poor pup's tail on fire. Isn't a leash good enough?

Sometimes they'd have cases about fights. "So when I kicked in her front door," a man would say, "she hit me in the head with a bottle." Lifting up his hair, he would say, "I had to get 463 stitches. I want \$2,000." Gee, if someone kicked in my door and rushed in, I'm sure I'd find something bigger than a bottle to hit him with.

Who doesn't smirk at the mere mention of the honorable judge Joseph Wapner? How the man ever got on the bench, I'll never know.

Has anyone ever seen a ruder or more egotistical man? He treated everyone like complete scum. No one in his "court" seemed to be worth his time or energy. Of course, if I were stuck working for that travesty of justice, I'd probably be angry, too.

Wapner was under a lot of pressure, though. How many judges do you know who can solve two cases in a half-hour? And I'm sure the illiterate weirdos who would come in frazzled his nerves just a tiny bit.

I'd watch this little chunk of American justice at work after school every day, but the only thing I'd ever really pay attention was how close Wapner came to telling everyone to shut up. That's probably the only reason I'd watch it today.

That, and to give Doug some tips on hair styling.

Gillin is a sophomore news-editorial and English major.



The Moran Woodwind Quintet performs at Kimball Recital Hall tonight. Members of the quintet are, front row, Diane Cawein and Allen French, and back row from left, Gary Echols, William McMullen and John Bailey.

## Quintet uses call of the wild

By Patrick Hambrecht  
Staff Reporter

Secret musical codes, animal poems and the song of a tropical bird — all will be featured tonight as the Moran Woodwind Quintet performs in the faculty recital series at Kimball Recital Hall.

Clarinetist Diane Cawein said the strangest tune her quintet will play is a memorial for Czechoslovakian composer Bohuslav Martinu. The second movement of the music spells out the name of Martinu, assigning a note for every letter in the alphabet.

It gets complicated, the assistant professor said, since composer Louis Moyse had only seven letters from which to choose. He "used A through G, and then he had to recycle."

"The song is just a technical nightmare,"

Cawein said. "But it's a lot of fun to watch our fingers fly."

After Moyse's memorial, the quintet will play music by Anthony Plog while reading Ogden Nash poems.

"Allen French, our horn player, will read poems for the fly and canary. And then I'll read Nash for the ostrich and kangaroo."

The canary and ostrich won't be the only aviary animals honored by the Moran group. They will also play homage to an idyllic tropical bird, with Joan Tower's "Island Prelude."

"It's a very strange song," Cawein said. "Tower envisioned this tropical island, and the oboe represents this big bird flying over it, enjoying it."

Cawein said she hoped music lovers would flock to the quintet performance.

"We're always inspired when we're playing in front of a lot of people," she said. "The audience helps us out, just by getting our energy level up."

The Moran Woodwind Quintet features John Bailey, flute; William McMullen, oboe; and Gary Echols, bassoon. The concert begins at 8 p.m.

## 'Nature' calls loud, clear at top draw

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jim Carrey's "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls" enjoyed the best non-summer opening in Hollywood history, collecting \$37.8 million in its debut weekend.

The opening was the sixth largest ever, and the year's second strongest premiere. The all-time record was set in June by "Batman Forever," which made \$52.8 million in its first weekend.

Carrey is now one of Hollywood's most popular actors. His recent blockbusters include "The Mask," "Dumb and Dumber" and "Batman Forever," in which he played the Riddler.

In second place was "Get Shorty," which continues to play strongly. Positive word-of-mouth benefited "Copycat" and "Home for the Holidays." "Powder" is now a minor hit.

"Fair Game" slipped badly in its second week of release, and "Vampire in Brooklyn" faded in its third weekend. In limited release, "Carrington" was well-received.

"Copycat" finished in third place, followed by "Powder" and "Home for the Holidays."

"Now and Then" was next, followed by "Fair Game," "Seven," "Vampire in Brooklyn" and "Gold Diggers."

## New releases a potpourri of adventure

By Gerry Beltz  
Film Critic

Another potpourri of video hits this week; We've got suspense, action and one for the kids as well. The pick-of-the-week stars a very raspy-voiced Clint Eastwood in fatigues.

"Dolores Claiborne" (R) — It's another Stephen King story made into a movie, but this one actually works ... mostly.

Dolores Claiborne (Kathy Bates) was once suspected of killing her husband, and is now under suspicion of the murder of her employer who died under "mysterious circumstances."

The acting in this film is exceptional, particularly from Bates as the bitter woman who will do anything to protect her daughter (Jennifer Jason Leigh).

It's worth renting.

"Crimson Tide" (R) — Jerry Bruckheimer and Don Simpson had "Bad Boys" last week, and followed it up with "Crimson Tide" this week.

The captain (Gene Hackman) of a nuclear submarine and his executive officer (Denzel Washington) are at war with one another over firing nuclear missiles or confirming an order to do so.

Great suspense, camerawork and superb performances from both Hackman and Washington make this another choice rental for the week.

"Free Willy 2: The Adventure Continues" (PG) — Our favorite whale is back, and he's in trouble ... again.

This time, an oil spill has separated Willy from the rest of his family, and it's up to his human youngster pals to get him out of this mess.

The kids will like it, and nothing is too good for the kids.

PICK-OF-THE-WEEK — It's almost 10 years old, but "Heartbreak Ridge" is still one of Clint Eastwood's best films of all time.

Gunnery Sergeant Tom Highway (Eastwood) is close to retirement, and is a square peg who doesn't fit in the round cogs of the modern Marine machine. He is assigned to shape up a rowdy reconnaissance platoon (led by Mario Van Peebles), but he does it in his own, unique way.

## Former Sheldon director delivers art talk tonight

From Staff Reports

Norman Geske will use the two stone sculptures on the lawn of the old City Hall building, Tem and Ptah, to explain the evolution and necessity of art history.

Geske, the former director of the Sheldon Art Gallery, will deliver the inaugural speech tonight in the lecture series bearing his name, the Norman and Jane Geske Lectureship in the History of the Arts.

Geske said he would encourage anyone interested in art or improving themselves to attend the lecture.

The lecture begins at 7 p.m. in the Mary Riepma Ross Film Theater at the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery. Admission is free.

## 00s For Sale

### 2 Appliances For Sale

Tired of the laundromat? We sell used washers, dryers, refrigerators, and ranges for only \$100 or 4 payments of \$25/month, no interest, free delivery and guarantee. Hoffman's Appliances, 466-6252.

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See our new '96 bikes from Trek and Specialized. In stock now! Blow out prices on all remaining '95's. Cycle Works, 27th & Vine 475-2453.

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### 10 Books For Sale

Marvel Comics Collection, 300+ issues. Must sell. Call and leave message. Will deal. 466-6957.

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Used 19" GE Color TVs. \$42. Call Nebraska Center, 472-3435 anytime.

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1 NU-OU ticket, South Stadium. \$50. Validated. \$15 extra. Call 438-3034.

For sale: 2 Oklahoma tickets in East Stadium, section 11. Call 476-8916 and make offer.

For sale: 2 OU tickets, South stadium. Non-student. \$80 each. 476-0395, ask for Jeff.

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## 200s Notices

### 200 Rides

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### 210 Announcements

### \*\*Flu Shots This Week\*\*

Flu shots for student, faculty/staff and general public. November 14-Nebraska Union, November 15, East Union. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

### \*\*Flu Shots Today\*\*

Flu shots for student, faculty/staff and general public. Today, Nebraska Union, tomorrow, East Union. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

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### Business Students

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Information Sessions, CBA 209

11/9	1000
11/14	1300
11/15	0900
11/16	0930
11/28	0900
11/29	1300
11/30	1500

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