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both
futuristic,
intimate*

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themes rather than being secured squarely in reality. Expect "Ghost Dog" to have a big taste of the mythic.

"Mifune," July 27-Aug. 6

Rated R
103 minutes

Another samurai movie, sort of. The next in the line of Dogma 95 movies (that means no camera tricks, no artificial lighting and apparently, no clichéd endings), "Mifune" is the story of a well-to-do Swedish businessman, Kresten (Anders W. Berthelsen), and his estranged autistic brother, Rud (Jesper Asholt).

Much like "Rain Man," the movie derives its name from the samurai who Kresten impersonates to entertain Rud.

"Lipstick and Letterbox" a short film on fidelity and fantasy, will run with "Mifune."



*Meteorology
students take
class outside*

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cars and a total of 11 people, the team heads out.

10:50 a.m. — On Interstate 80

The Weather Channel and National Weather Service begin to make announcements to the public about the possibility of a large scale tornado outbreak. The skies however, remain overcast, preventing the air from gaining heat and moisture.

12:09 p.m. In between York and Grand Island

Upper level cloudiness is looking more like it might be a problem, for they suck moisture out of the air, preventing the storms from forming later in the day.

What the storms needed were clear skies.

Looking out his driver side window, Dewey sees that while small patches of blue sky peek through here and there, skies should be clearing by now. He is unsure that Ashley has led them in the right direction.

"Walker has consistently gotten us to the target every time," Dewey says. "But he also has a tendency to make a gut decision. He'll become really convinced about a particular thing, like the direction we should be going."

"Last year, we had to back track more than once to catch up to the storms to our east. But, he is the lead chaser."

1:00 p.m. — Hastings



The team arrived at the National Weather Service Office in Hastings for a update. The office patrols central to western Nebraska for severe weather,

The chasers look at radar, satellite images and maps of upper level winds and dew points. After studying printouts from the weather office, the group spends a few moments outside with a map of the state.

It is time to wait, Ashley says. The storms need time to build.

Josh Wolfe/DN
TOP: LEAD CHASER Walker Ashley looks at a supercell which formed near Arapahoe, Neb. The storm went on to produce an F3 tornado in Lincoln County Nebraska.

ABOVE: SARAH TESSENDORF, Ashley and Steve Peterson stand underneath a supercell waiting for a funnel. The storm turned up nothing more than a small, wispy funnel cloud.

LEFT: AFTER GETTING a weather update, the chasers converge on a map to decide where to go next. It would be another two hours before the first supercell would form.

1:52 p.m.

After eating lunch at a gas station Subway, Ashley stands outside smoking a cigarette. He hangs off by himself looking up at the clouds.

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