

Bamboo world of 'Rashomon' beckons



ALMOST SET TO GO — Alan Felton and stage manager Joan Dobson work on the set of "Rashomon" in Coltrane Theatre. The show opens Wednesday during the Wesleyan Symposium. Admission for students, staff, and faculty is \$3, and \$5 for the public.

By CECILIA CASEY

Sword fights, love, lust, honor, betrayal, and above all, questions about truth and justice pull the audience into the bamboo world outside the gates of Rashomon.

As the Coltrane Theatre prepares to present *Rashomon*, a Japanese play which is based on the stories by Ryunosuke Akutagawa and written by Say and Michael Kanin, the consensus is that this will prove to be one of the most stimulating, heart-stopping, and uniquely exotic plays that has been produced by the Wesleyan Players.

Rashomon is the name of a gate near where the drama unfolds. A man has been found murdered and a bandit has been arrested for the murder. Three different re-tellings of the murder highlight the fact that the play is not just a mystery but a story of truth versus a person's perception of what they think is "the truth." There is also another story outside that of the persons directly involved, though it is not obvious until the "hook" at the end.

The stage and music give the play a surrealistic quality, which helps to explore the images we create when we think about what is true and real. Also the cast is a mixture of well-seasoned veterans and fresh new actors. Allen Felton plays the Samurai warrior who is murdered; Todd Waters plays the bandit accused of the murder; and Julie Salkeld plays the wife of the warrior.

Debbie Rithman, John Hearne, Shannon Johnson, Sam Bell, and Carol Gay make up the rest of the cast. Junior theater major Joan

Dobson stage manages this complex and exciting show, which is directed by Vaughn Schutz.

The play will run next Wednesday through Saturday and again Feb. 25-27. The doors will be opened at 7:30 p.m. and tickets will be \$3 for students, staff, and faculty; \$5 for the general public.

Due to the sword fighting, no one will be allowed to sit in the front row of the theater, so come early to get a good seat. *Rashomon* is a great show you won't want to miss!

The 1993 Leaders in the Making Series

is beginning with an
Interest and Information Session
on
Monday, Feb. 15, at 11:30 a.m.
in the BB&T Dining Room
behind the cafeteria.

Call Michael Sanseviro at 985-5256
for more information

Campus Security Log

Jan. 1 — Assault: Nash Dorm. Occurred between two students. No charges were filed.

Jan. 25 — Assault: Gym. Occurred between two students. Case has been sent to judicial board and will be considered confidential at this point.

Jan. 27 — Breaking and Entering, Larceny: Nash Dorm. A Nash resident observed another student remove a wallet from his room. The money was returned and the case was turned over to judicial board and is considered confidential at this time.

Jan. 31 — Vandalism to auto. A student reported someone "keyed" (scratched) her vehicle while parked in the parking lot. No suspect at this time.

Feb. 2 — Vandalism to vending machines. Several vending machines were vandalized on Monday night costing several thousand dollars. Case is under investigation.

Feb. 3 — Larceny: Library. Undisclosed amount of money was removed from the library change drawer sometime on Feb. 2. There are no suspects at this time.

Feb. 5 — Larceny: South Hall. A South Hall resident reports the theft of a blue sweater and a silk blouse from her room, valued at \$100. No forced entry was used and there is no suspect at this time.

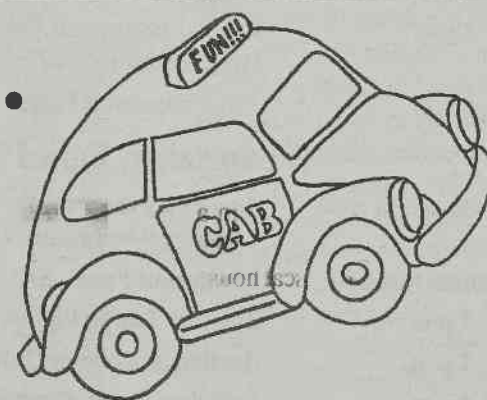
Crime prevention tips — Always lock your door (office or residence hall), even if you are only going to be gone for a minute. It only takes a minute.

(This information was compiled and provided by the Director of Campus Security.)

CAB CORNER...

Spring '93 Update

Fasten your seatbelt for the semester of your life! We're ready to go! Here's a look at what's ahead.



February 24: Come ready to "Bust A Gut" with *Wanda Sykes-Hall*, comedienne extraordinaire! You'll be busting at the seams with this crazy lady! She'll be wound up, ready to unleash her wit and charm for you. Wanda will perform in Doc's at 9 p.m.

March 17: Psychic/Illusionist, and a Wesleyan favorite, *Craig Karges!!* Come let Craig figure out just what really is on your mind. He'll be full of mind-boggling fun stuff. Craig will perform in the SAC at 9 p.m., so get here early because he uses student volunteers!

March 30: A Capello group and humorists, "*The Blenders*." Kick back with a mocktail, and listen to this unique blend of voices which creates tunes of the times. These guys will perform in the SAC starting at 9:30 p.m.

April 22: Guitarist and singer, *Daryl Rice*. Come listen as the blues resonate throughout Doc's. Showtime is 9 p.m. See you there!

Saturday Night Flicks: Be sure to catch the exciting flicks CAB is presenting at the Saturday Night Cinema at 9:30 p.m. in Doc's. Look for "Ghost," Feb. 13; "A Raisin in the Sun," Feb. 20; and "The Long Walk Home," Feb. 27.