



Spoon River : ideals, dreams and realities

"Spoon River Anthology," written by Edgar Lee Masters and currently being produced by Clackamas County Repertory Theater, is an excellent conglomeration of ideals, dreams, and realities of Spoon River - a small town of Appalachia.

A cemetery is the setting for the portrayal of some seventy-five characters by the twelve players. The play plunges, without delay, into the dialogue and poetry of Masters' including many revealing songs and some down to earth square dancing.

These separate types of expression are superbly woven into a fine production of the ups and downs of typical small town life. The different testimonies of each character range in content from murder to adultery to comedy.

The entire cast gives a superb performance with a special treat -- Billy Rod Ragsdale, one of the players, has five of his original songs included throughout the play. Every member of the cast does a phenomenal job of switching from one character to another.

"Spoon River Anthology" is a complete showcase of the uncertainties and troubles of typical rural America in the early twentieth century. The production will be showing through Feb. 12, at McLoughlin Theater, Friday and Saturday nights.

Friday, Feb. 4, CCRT is charging only \$1 to CCC students, faculty and staff with ID cards.

Spoon River Anthology cast members Bob Reed, left, Brian Puckett, center, and Millard Ford, right, look on as other actors perform their multiple-casted parts. The 2-act play will be presented again this Friday and Saturday and Feb. 11 and 12 in the McLoughlin Theatre.

calendar

thursday

ASG Meeting. Fireside Lounge. 11 a.m. to noon.

"Spoon River Anthology." CCRT Performance. McLoughlin Theatre. 8:30 p.m.

"I'll Die if I Can't Live Forever." Portland Civic Theatre Blue Room. 8:30 p.m. \$4 adults, \$3 students/senior citizens. 226-3048 for reservations. Also Friday and Saturday.

friday

"Discomania" (We the People Productions). CCC dance. Proceeds to go to rally. CC Mall. 8 p.m. to midnight. Free to CCC students with I.D. cards, \$1 to others.

"Spoon River Anthology." CCRT production. McLoughlin Theatre. 8:30 p.m. Friday special: \$1 admission to all CCC students, faculty and staff with I.D. cards.

weekend

"Spoon River Anthology." CCRT production. McLoughlin Theatre. 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

monday

"Wonderlove" starring Stevie Wonder. Video tape special. CC Mall, Barlow and Clairmont Lounges. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., noon, 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

tuesday

Music department mini concert. CC Mall. Noon. Free.

"Wonderlove" starring Stevie Wonder. Video tape special. CC Mall, Barlow and Clairmont Lounges. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

wednesday

Rod Ragsdale - original guitar and harmonica. Coffee House. Fireside Lounge. 11:30 to 1:30. Free.

"Wonderlove" starring Stevie Wonder. Video tape special. CC Mall, Barlow and Clairmont Lounges. 9 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

