

MSC Film Society



Denzel Washington and Gene Hackman star in the action film, *Crimson Tide*.

*Crimson Tide* rolls into semester's first weekend

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THE BATTALION

The academic semester may have just begun, but the MSC Film Society has a semester's worth of movies lined up for viewing.

The season started last night with the showing of *Muriel's Wedding*. *Crimson Tide* will be its first weekend feature in Rudder Theater tonight and Saturday at 7:00 and 9:30.

Over 20 recently released movies, ranging from popular films like *Apollo 13* to obscure works as the Italian film *Farinelli*, will be shown this semester.

Danny King, a senior aerospace engineering major and chair of Film Society, said these films represent the organization's programming goals.

"We try to mix up blockbuster movies that everyone has heard about with alternative films that are just as good, but haven't received as much coverage," King said.

Members of the organization are responsible for picking both blockbuster and alternative films and base their decisions on popu-

larity, availability and price.

"The entire committee decides on the blockbuster films," King said, "but only people who are interested work with the alternative films."

King said one of the society's goals for this year is to bring more diverse entertainment to the campus. Plans include the Sept. 28 showing of *Panther*, which is cosponsored by the MSC Black Awareness Committee and will include speaker Bobby Seale, a leader of the Black Panthers organization in the 1960s.

The organization has plans to show free films throughout the year. Although no free films are scheduled yet, King said students can count on several classics.

Another change for this year is Film Society's presence on the information superhighway with its own Internet home page.

"We already had a [Internet] page for Film Society last year, and there was a very positive response," King said, "so now we have a home page that has a schedule of all movies and their dates and times."

In addition to the home page,

the club has set up a 24-hour movie hotline that students can access to get lists of Film Society's movies and show times.

Although many changes are taking place in Film Society, students can count on another Texas Film Festival. Scheduled for Feb. 22-25, 1996, King said he hopes this year's festival will be even better than last year's.

King recently attended a film festival in Montreal, Canada to find movies and speakers for the festival. No one has been booked yet, but King said Kevin Smith, writer and director of *Clerks*, and actor Tommy Lee Jones are on Film Society's wish list of guest speakers.

The society's immediate plans, however, are to find new members. Film Society is composed of about 75 people, including 15 executive officers, who select movies to show.

King said the organization limits the number of members for an important reason.

"We like to keep the general committee at around 60 members so everyone has something to do," King said. "With more than that, members would be bored."



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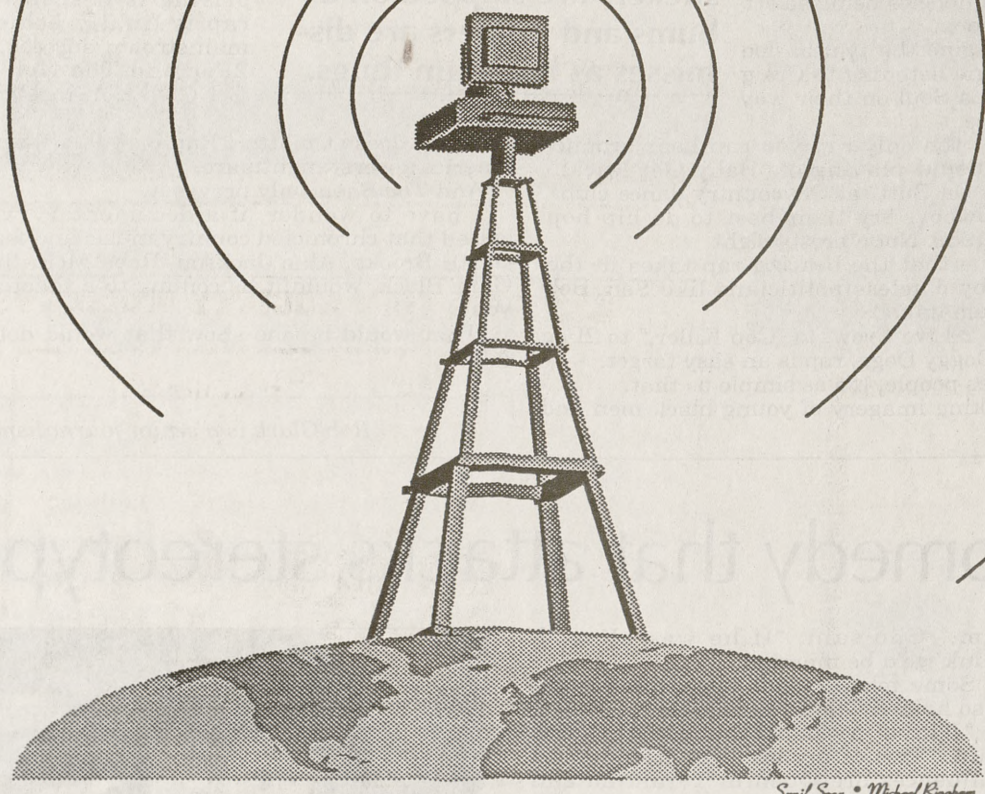
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