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Cinco de Mayo is celebrated in many different ways across the country. This year CAMAC will be celebrating a special celebration on campus. The festivities in Los Angeles last a whole week, and Houston had a big parade on Sunday," Castro said. "There are dancers, Spanish bands and Mariachis. This will be our first time celebrating it on campus — the fifth usually comes during finals. We hope to celebrate it for many years to come." The CAMAC celebration will celebrate not only Hispanic culture, but some of the other cultures and on campus as well. "We have nine acts from various Hispanic organizations, singing and dancing," Castro said. "Alpha Phi will also be doing a step show, so there's a variety of acts." Angel Piña, a senior management major, said CAMAC's event was in part sparked by the festival's celebration in Bryan.

"There has been a festival in Bryan for the last few years," Piña said. "It was getting pretty big, they would have big-name Tejano bands, but the city council recently decided not to support it. So we moved it to College Station."

Piña said the festival helps to bring the Mexican-American community together to celebrate their culture.

"It's usually a family-oriented type thing. There are all different kinds of foods and contests." Antonio Verduzco, a senior history major, said Cinco de Mayo is as much about the present as it is about the past.

"For us it's a celebration of Mexican-American culture here in the United States," Verduzco said. "The festivities help people to recognize our contributions to culture. What it means is almost equivalent to the celebration of the Fourth of July. It's celebrated almost in the same fashion, with fireworks, cook-outs and music."

CAMAC's Cinco de Mayo talent show and awards ceremony will be held in Rudder Theater tonight at 7 p.m.

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Deakins said she came from a blue collar existence in Fort Worth, TX, where writing was never considered a viable career. "One time I approached my mom and dad about it, and they asked how I was going to make money," Deakins said. "I think they had misconceptions about what a writer does."

A writer writes about what interests them, and the same goes for Deakins.

"My work reflects my interest in how different people react in the

same situations," Deakins said.

"Those situations may involve me or people I know or something I read or saw."

Deakins experienced plenty from the time she started her studies at A&M, to when she came back to finish her education.

When she first attended A&M she was an English major, but saw herself getting into the business world.

Deakins was a successful restaurant manager on the verge of getting a major promotion when she decided to come back to school.

"I just decided the restaurant business wasn't for me,"

Deakins said.

She does believe the business world and the subsequent classes she took on the subject helped her writing.

"In marketing and advertising the goal is to connect with people as quickly as possible, much like poetry," Deakins said. "I think there are many more similarities between business and writing than people realize."

Still Deakins said she is glad she is writing and hopes to continue to do so in the future.

"This is definitely a dream of mine come true," Deakins said. "You just have to try and make it happen."

He Got Game brings No. 1 box office status to Spike Lee

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Spike Lee got his first No. 1 with *He Got Game*, as the basketball movie collected \$7.6 million to lead the box office in a lackluster weekend before the summer movie blitz, according to figures released Monday.

Directed and written by Lee, *He Got Game* is Lee's 11th film as director. It stars Denzel Washington and NBA player Ray Allen in a story about a convicted felon's relationship with his talented basketball-playing son.

City of Angels stayed at No. 2, while *The Big Hit* was knocked from first to third. The debuts of *Les Misérables* and *Black Dog* did so-so business. Of the glut of films in limited release, *Wild* had the highest per-screen average with \$9,918 in its debut.

After 20 weeks, *Titanic* remained in the top 10. The top 10 movies at North American theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theaters, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release as compiled by Entertainment Weekly Inc. and Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.:

1. *He Got Game*, Disney, \$7.6 million, 1,319 locations, \$5,770 average, \$7.6 million, one week.
2. *City of Angels*, Warner Bros., \$6.6 million, 2,433 locations, \$2,716 average, \$55.4 million, four weeks.
3. *The Big Hit*, Sony, \$5.8 million, 2,149 locations, \$2,676 average, \$19.4 million, two weeks.
4. *Les Misérables*, Sony, \$5 million, 1,477 locations, \$3,393 average, \$5 million, one week.
5. *Black Dog*, Universal, \$4.8 million, 2,026 locations, \$2,374 average, \$4.8 million, one week.
6. *Titanic*, Paramount, \$4 million, 2,660 locations, \$1,508 average, \$565.7 million, 20 weeks.
7. *The Object of My Affection*, 20th Century Fox, \$3.99 million, 1,990 locations, \$2,007 average, \$21.9 million, three weeks.
8. *Paulie*, DreamWorks, \$3.7 million, 1,803 locations, \$2,080 average, \$15.2 million, three weeks.
9. *Lost in Space*, New Line, \$2.98 million, 2,271 locations, \$1,313 average, \$62 million, five weeks.
10. *Sliding Doors*, Miramax, \$1.6 million, 495 locations, \$3,314 average, \$2.7 million, two weeks.

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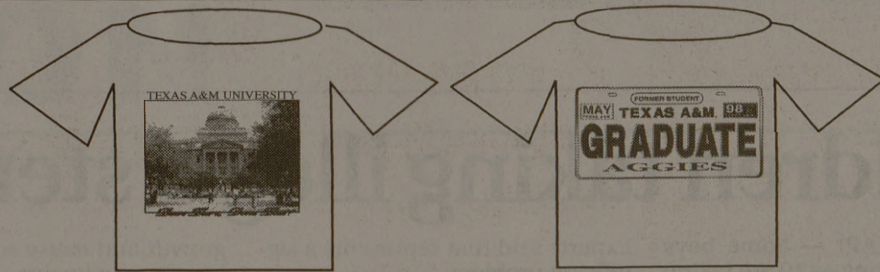
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