

## GOOD MORNING VIETNAM

I am very impressed with Robin Williams' acting in this film. Williams, as a comedian, especially his role in "Club Paradise"; he is one of the greats in comedy, but this role has shown he is much more than a comedian. Robin Williams brings out a serious and sensitive side later in the movie.



A new film that dwells on the plight of Canada's homeless and provides some ideas that might alleviate the problem.

The "Church" is this film is the Interchurch Housing Society, an association of the Baptist, Anglican, Roman Catholic, and United Churches. It was established to help solve a housing crisis among poor families in rural Nova Scotia.

The "Hearth" is an inexpensive, two-bedroom home designed to provide safe, comfortable and affordable housing for many of these families.

In The Church and the Hearth we discover how a small housing society became a building contractor and why its innovative programs are so successful.

With construction manager Frank Spinney as our guide, we meet two dedicated workers for Interchurch, Cameron Jess and Jennifer Foster. We follow them through a typical day as they prospective counsel homeowners, conduct life skills sessions, help families move, and deal with outside agencies.

Interchurch started by funding low-cost loans for home repairs and improvements. But this approach soon proved inadequate and Interchurch began building its own small houses.

The Hearth Home Program to date has built 78 homes for families unable to quality for any other form of housing assistance. The houses feature a central woodstove (hearth) in a cosy, kitchen/living room

area which reflects the informal, kitchen-based lifestyle of many rural families.

Interchurch stresses practical responses to housing problems and their flexible approach is evident in unusual situations. In one instance, a chimney sweep is pressured to enlarge his Hearth Home by neighbours worried about a decline in their property values because of the "small" house next door. Interchurch helps the sweep finance his larger morgage by arranging a five-year contract for chimney cleaning services for its other Hearth Homes.

In a remarkable display of community spirit, Interchurch workers and supporters stage an old-fashioned "building bee" to save construction costs on a transition house financed by the society.

The Church and the Hearth presents practical solutions to the very real plight of Canada's poor and homeless -solutions that should work as well in other parts of Canada as they have in Nova Scotia.

For groups and individuals working to improve the quality of housing for the poor, The Church and the Hearth will be a source of inspiration.

SID YOBBO

Good Morning Vietnam is an exceptional movie since it was filmed totally in Thailand and came within its budget of 13 million dollars (which seems small by today's standards).

The film is about a D.J. by the name of Adrian Crownower (Robin Williams) who is working for the U.S. Armed Forces Radio station in Saigon, While in Saigon, he falls in love with a Vietnamese girl, but to get to the girl he must first get by her brother. So, Williams befriends the girl's brother and soon goes out on a date with her; only to find out that the whole family is coming along.

In the end the brother turns out to be a Viet-Cong who used Williams to blow-up a U.S. military bar. When he confronts the boy, we see a totally different view of the war where we are now sympathetic to the Viet-Cong.

Overall this film is amazingly funny, yet serious at the same time. Robin Williams has transcended through the field of comedy and blossomed into the serious role. This film is a must to see.

Stephen Seabrook





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Colourbox Without Warning Echo & The Bunnymen Savage The Spell World Without End Neo A4 Killed By Love The Distance Between In My Tribe Salvation

LIGHT ROTATION Screenplay Bonk Cockroaches Nobody Likes... Convictions You Got It Hard To Beat On The Air **Exorcise This Wasteland** All's Well Music From The Armpit Of Canada She's Having A Baby

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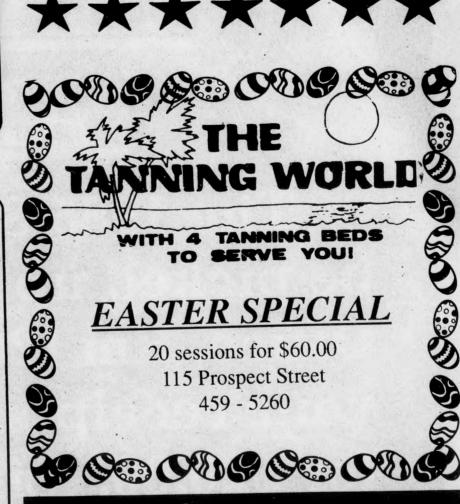
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