

## **"The Rivals" to be presented**

**February 29, 1980**

"The Rivals," a comedy of mistaken identities and romantic folly, will be presented at 8 p.m. March 12-15 in the UCSD Theatre at the University of California, San Diego.

Tickets cost \$4 for general admission and \$2.50 for students and can be purchased at the UCSD Theatre Ticket Office on Warren campus. For ticket information, phone 452-4574.

"The Rivals" is an 18th century comedy by Irish playwright Richard Brinsley Sheridan. The play chronicles the foibles of handsome Jack Absolute and bumbling Bob Acres as they vie for the hand of Lydia Languish, a lovely, though overly sentimental, lass.

The matter is complicated by the interference of Jack's father, Anthony Absolute, and the loquacious Mrs. Malaprop, Lydia's aunt, who try to force their preferences on the young lovers.

Walter Schoen, a graduate directing student at UC San Diego, will direct the production. Schoen has worked as stage manager and director for the Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, the Indiana Repertory Theatre and the Bucks County Playhouse and he performed in the San Diego Repertory Theatre productions of "The Bleacher Bums" and "Tartuffe." He assisted Alan Schneider in the direction of the recent Broadway premiere of Edward Albee's play, "The Lady from Dubuque."

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