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DAILY VARIETY

SHORT TAKES

IFPW honors Stone

Oliver Stone will be honored with a Reel Gold Award at this year's Independent Spirit Awards to be held March 28 at Raleigh Studios in Hollywood.

The Independent Feature Project/West also announced that "Silence of the Lambs" star Anthony Hopkins, "Homicide" star Joe Mantegna and "Henry: Portrait of a Serial Killer" star Michael Rooker are scheduled as celebrity presenters for the seventh annual event.

Stone is the second filmmaker to receive the "rarely awarded" Reel Gold Award. The first recipient was David Puttnam.

Pasadena play lineup

Preston Sturges' "A Cup of Coffee," "David's Mother" and the off-Broadway musical "Oil City Symphony" will make up the 1992 summer/fall 75th-anniversary season at the **Pasadena Playhouse**.

The season will start with the Sturges comedy, running July 10-Aug. 23. A retrospective of Sturges' films will run concurrently with the production.

From Sept. 11-Oct. 25 is the L.A. premiere of "David's Mother" by Bob Randall, creator of the TV series "Kate & Allie."

"Oil City Symphony," a musical reunion from the creators of "Pump Boys and Dinettes," wraps the season, Nov. 6-Dec. 20.

Special-effects wizard **Ray Harryhausen**, who is receiving a special Oscar Saturday at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences' sci-tech awards ceremony, also will be honored today by ASIFA-Hollywood, the Intl. Animated Film Society. Sci-fi author Ray Bradbury, who will present Harryhausen's Oscar, will hand over the Winsor McCay award for lifetime contribution to the art of animation to Harryhausen at the 7 p.m. ASIFA bash at the American Film Institute's L.A. campus.

Court TV has signed deals with two cablers to provide clearance for its coverage of the Rodney King trial. Court TV has been cleared on Simmons Cable as a full-time service, and three Tele-Communications Inc.-owned systems will carry the trial for its duration.