

### OVERHEARD

Did you know that...

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**TV actress Roseanne**, as she likes to be called after her divorce from Tom Arnold, received the rights to produce an American version of the popular British sitcom, *Absolutely Fabulous*, which is currently at home on the Comedy Central Network.

**Popular late night talk show host David Letterman** will be the host of this year's Oscar Awards.

**Actress Sherilyn Fenn** (Audrey on *Twin Peaks*) will star in the TV biopic of Elizabeth Taylor despite protests by Taylor herself against the movie.

**Comedic mega-star Jim Carrey** recently turned down an \$18 million offer to star in *Thief of Santa Monica*, in which Carrey would have played a boy that befriends a genie.

**The critically praised Swedish foreign film, *Red***, directed by Polish auteur Krzysztof Kieslowski, was declared ineligible for a Best Foreign Film Oscar nomination because the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences felt it was "not Swiss enough." The film's distributor, Miramax, is currently petitioning the decision.

**The role of the Spider Woman in the Broadway musical, *Kiss of the Spider Woman***, will be taken over in March by actress Maria Conchita Alonso (*The Running Man*). The role was originated by Chita Rivera and is currently played by Vanessa Williams.

**As if Michael Jackson didn't have enough to worry about**, the tabloids are once again re-opening the child molestation allegations for themselves. The London Sun and Today newspapers state the existence of a 27 minute video in which Jackson is shown engaging in inappropriate conduct with a teenage boy. Jackson's attorney, Howard Weitzman says this is a malicious and untrue rumor.

**Fifty-eight of the sixty commercial spots during Superbowl XXIX** have been sold. Two-dozen advertisers contributed to the spots at a cost of \$1,000,000 per thirty seconds for the January 29 broadcast.

**Elvis Presley's American Express Card and original Remington electric razor with his hair follicles still in the chamber** were auctioned off recently at bids of \$60,000 and \$12,000 respectively.