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Something is Missing in 'Jacques Brel' [A review of a performance of "Jacques Brel Is Alive And Well and Living in Paris" at the Performing Arts Center, Milwaukee]

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The sequences become predictable: a mild barb, then a gentle pat on the head to neutralize the barb with more entertaining fare. Accordingly, the integrity of the total work becomes suspect as the viewer eases into an uncomfortable niche—being fully entertained and unable to get very serious about “Jacques Brel.”

Agape Street Theatre

Milwaukee's Agape Street Theater will be performing at least five plays in the next few months, including White Whore and the Bit Player; Viet Rock: Slow Dance on the Killing Ground; Calm Down Mother, and Ceremonies in Dark Old Men.

The group, recently granted permission to use the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church (Community Center), will also be performing Seize the Time. Proceeds of the play, to be performed early next month, will go to the Angela Davis Defense Fund and to slain Solestad Brother George Jackson's mother.

The group is still looking for actors, including four black men and three white men for Seize the Time. Interested persons are asked to call Gwen Carmean, 964-4086.

THEATRE X-X-X

Theater X will open its third full season with a puppet production for adults, Alice in Wonder, adapted from Lewis Carroll's classic. The production features over 40 puppets designed and built by the company, elaborate scenic effects, and an original musical score.

Alice in Wonder will be presented at the Coffee House, 631 N. 29th Street, on September 30 through October 2. Curtain time is 9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, with two performances on Saturday at 8 and 10 p.m. Admission is $1.00. For further information, call 332-9374.