

Saturday, Oct. 20

Circle Of Friends

11:45 a.m. Lincoln Theatre

The trouble with concert films is that it's rarely enough to film a performance. Genre standouts like Talking Heads' "Stop Making Sense" and the Band's "Last Waltz" show that calculated direction and striking visuals can combine to make a memorable movie experience. "Circle of Friends," a Bob Mould concert filmed at the 9:30 club in late 2005, doesn't live up to expectations, making you wish you were seeing the show live rather than second hand.

Mould is the local gay musician who grew to prominence in '80s band Husker Du and is now best known as one-half of the team behind the 9:30 club's monthly bear party Blowoff. He's joined by Richard Morell, the other man behind Blowoff, Fugazi's Brendan Canty and Rockets Over Sweden's Jason Narducy. The music is great, but the biggest incentive to attending this screening is the acoustic set that Mould will be performing after it.

Mould plans to release a new CD in January, so those craving his concert experience would do well to just wait a couple months and see it live. (ZR)

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