HOUSTON WEEKEND

Theatre Inc. Opens Christmas Show

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Last night Theatre Inc. opened with their Christmas show, 'Amahl and the Night Visitors.' This opera should be familiar to many as it has been broadcast several times over the last few years on NBC. Tickets are $2.50 (no student discount.)—call JA 3-8188 for reservations—Theater Inc. is two blocks off Main behind Weldon's Cafe. ‘Ah Wilderness’ is continuing its run at the Alley — get reservations JA 2-1045 — Curtain is 8:30 except Sundays at 7:30 — The Alley Theatre is just off the end of the Southwest Freeway, heading downtown, at 709 Berry.

By far the best prospect for the weekend is the Channing Players production of Carson McCullers’ ‘Ballad of the Sad Cafe.’ The show is directed by David Dannenbaum, who is probably one of the best directors in the city. I’ve never seen him attach his name to a show that was anything less than superb. The show will be held at the First Unitarian Church, on Fannin St., about two blocks towards town from the Warwick. Tickets are $0.75 for students—curtain is 8:30, the show closes Saturday.

Also showing this weekend is the Rice Players One-Act Workshop, consisting of 'The Bald Soprano,' 'Collection,' and 'Zoo Story.' These shows are all student directed, and will be presented in Hamman Hall on the Rice Campus — curtain 8:00 — tickets are $1.00 for students. Reservations are probably unnecessary, but may be obtained by calling JA 8-4141, Ext. 638.