

Due to the rigidity of the Teleprompter crew there was no experimentation with different methods of programming and no opportunity for us to participate in the production end of the live broadcast.

The most interesting groups were those that stimulated audience participation. The Responsive Scene, an improvisational theater group, encouraged people to create, direct, and perform their own theater. At least half of the audience became involved in making up skits and creating hypothetical situations for the Responsive Scene to perform, while others left their seats to join the theater group as they chanted, talked, and did improvisations in the center of the mall. Some of the best entertainment came from people in the Park.

Criticism of the Park event is this - that its primary focus was the performer's relationship to the live broadcast rather than the viewer's relationship to the activities and the video/access experience. The customary separations, between the viewer and the performer, the amateur and the professional, were maintained.

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