

Guide to the Western Theater Souvenir Program Collection

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: WA MSS S-3071

TITLE: Western Theater Souvenir Program Collection

DATES: 1922-1994

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.42 linear feet (1 box)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The collection consists of souvenir theater programs for plays set in the trans-Mississippi West, dating from 1921 to 1994. Productions represented include dramas, comedies, and musicals such as *Annie Get Your Gun* (1946), *Bus Stop* (1955), *Flower Drum Song* (1958), *Show Boat* (1948), and *Zoot Suit* (1979). The majority of the programs are from Broadway productions, and are dated by year of the New York opening when not indicated on the program. Additional programs represent touring companies of Broadway productions and locally-produced shows including *Ramona* (Hemet, California, 1939) and *Promised Valley* (Salt Lake City, Utah, 1947).

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Purchased from Walter Reuben, Inc. on the Frederick W. and Carrie S. Beinecke Fund for Western Americana, 2013.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by production title.

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Box listing

b.1	<i>Annie Get Your Gun</i> English	1946
b.1	<i>Annie Get Your Gun</i> English Greek Theatre, Griffith Park, Los Angeles, California	1949
b.1	<i>Annie Get Your Gun</i> English	1966
b.1	<i>The Bad Man</i> English Los Angeles, California	1945
b.1	<i>Bus Stop</i> English	1955
b.1	<i>Bus Stop</i> English	[1955-1956?]
b.1	<i>Destry Rides Again</i> English	1959
b.1	<i>Flower Drum Song</i> English	1958
b.1	<i>Destry Rides Again</i> English Touring production	1960
b.1	<i>Lightnin'</i> English Touring production	1922
b.1	<i>Oklahoma!</i> English	1943
b.1	<i>The Most Happy Fella</i>	1956
b.1	<i>Paint Your Wagon</i> English	1951
b.1	<i>Promised Valley</i> English Salt Lake City, Utah	1947
b.1	<i>The Rose Tattoo</i> English	1951
b.1	<i>Ramona</i> English Ramona Bowl, Hemet, California	1939

b.1	<i>Show Boat</i> English	1948
b.1	<i>Show Boat</i> English	1994
b.1	A Streetcar Named Desire English	1947
b.1	<i>Texas, Li'l Darlin'</i> English	1949
b.1	<i>The Unsinkable Molly Brown</i> English	1960
b.1	<i>The Unsinkable Molly Brown</i> English Touring production	1972
b.1	<i>Wildcat</i> English Touring production	1962
b.1	<i>Wildcat</i> English	1960
b.1	<i>Zoot Suit</i> English Los Angeles, California	1979

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Theater -- United States
Western plays

Genres / Formats

Theater programs -- United States -- 20th
Century