

Children's Theater and Theater for Youth:

A Preliminary Inventory of the Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

| | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Creator: | Harry Ransom Center |
| Title: | Children's Theater and Theater for Youth Collection |
| Dates: | 1960s-1980s |
| Extent: | 10 Boxes (4.2 linear feet) |
| Abstract: | The Children's Theater and Theater for Youth Collection contains brochures, newsletters, clippings, and photographs documenting children's theater in the United States and abroad from the 1960s through the 1980s. |
| Call Number: | Performing Arts Collection PA-00015 |
| Language: | English, Gaelic, and Polish |
| Access: | Open for research. Researchers must create an online Research Account and agree to the Materials Use Policy before using archival materials. Documents containing personal information are restricted due to privacy concerns. Part or all of this collection is housed off-site and may require up to three business days' notice for access in the Ransom Center's Reading and Viewing Room. Please contact the Center before requesting this material: reference@hrc.utexas.edu |

Administrative Information

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Acquisition: | Assembled by Performing Arts staff from various collections, including a gift from Coleman Jennings in 2009. |
| Processed by: | Valerie Burns, 2002; Grace Hansen, 2015 |
| Repository: | Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin |

Scope and Contents

The Children's Theater and Theater for Youth Collection contains brochures, newsletters, clippings, and photographs documenting children's theater in the United States and abroad from the 1960s through the 1980s. Over 300 theaters and performers are represented in the collection holdings. The collection was assembled by Performing Arts staff from various collections, and includes a gift of material from Coleman Jennings in 2009. The original order of materials has been maintained by placing items previously grouped with paper clips or staples inside a paper sleeve.

Theaters and Performers

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Academy Theater- Atlanta, GA | Container 1.1 |
| ACT- Seattle, WA | Container 1.2 |
| Adelphi University, Children's Center for Creative Arts | Container 1.3 |
| Adventure Theatre | Container 1.4 |
| Afro-American Theatre Group | Container 1.5 |
| Alley Theatre | Container 1.6 |
| All of Us Express | Container 1.7 |
| Alverno College- Milwaukee, WI | Container 1.8 |
| Ambassador Theatre | Container 1.9 |
| American Children's Theatre | Container 1.10 |
| American Theatre Institute- Aspen, CO | Container 1.11 |
| Art Reach Touring Theatre- Cincinnati, OH | Container 1.12 |
| Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities | Container 1.13 |
| ATA/CTAA General News | Container 1.14 |
| Andy's Summer Theatre- NH | Container 1.15 |
| ANTA Children's Theatre Festival | Container 1.16 |
| Antioch College | Container 1.17 |
| Arizona State University | Container 1.18 |
| Arkansas Arts Center | Container 1.19 |
| Asolo Theatre Company | Container 1.20 |
| Atlanta Children's Theatre- Atlanta, GA | Container 1.21 |
| Bil Baird Theatre- 59 Barrow St., New York City | Container 1.22 |
| Birmingham Children's Theatre | Container 1.23 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Black Hawk Children's Theatre, a division of Waterloo Community Playhouse- Waterloo, IA | Container 1.24 |
| Blue Apple Players | Container 1.25 |
| Boston Children's Theatre | Container 1.26 |
| Richard W. Bracken Productions | Container 1.27 |
| Bread and Puppet Theatre | Container 1.28 |
| Briggs Management, Theatre for Children (Frances Schramm) | Container 1.29 |
| Brigham Young University | Container 1.30 |
| Brooklyn Academy of Music Young People's Theatre | Container 1.31 |
| The Cabbage Patch | Container 1.32 |
| California Puppet Theatre, California Polytechnic University- San Luis Obispo, CA | Container 1.33 |
| California State University Theatre for Youth- Fresno, CA | Container 1.34 |
| California State University- Northridge, CA | Container 1.35 |
| California Youth Theatre- San Jose, CA | Container 1.36 |
| Casa Mañana Merry-Go-Round Theatre | Container 1.37 |
| Centenary College of Louisiana (Irene and Orlin Corey) | Container 2.1 |
| Central Texas Puppet Guild | Container 2.2 |
| Central Wisconsin Children's Theatre, Inc.- Wausau, WI | Container 2.3 |
| Chappaqua Theatre Company | Container 2.4 |
| Children's Musical Theatre, Inc.- Mobile, AL | Container 2.5 |
| Children's Theatre Association of America (CTAA) | Container 2.6 |
| Children's Theatre Association (Isabel Burger)- Baltimore, MD | Container 2.7 |
| Children's Theatre of Charlotte, North Carolina | Container 2.8 |

| | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| The Children's Theatre of Evanston | Container 2.9 |
| Children's Theatre Company of the Minneapolis Institute of Arts- Minneapolis, MN | Container 2.10-13 |
| Children's Theatre Conference- Amarillo, TX | Container 2.14 |
| Children's Theatre Festival, Central Washington University- Ellensburg, WA | Container 2.15 |
| Children's Theatre International, Inc. | Container 3.1 |
| Children's Theatre Place Company- New York City | Container 3.2 |
| Children's Theatre Publishers | Container 3.3 |
| Children's Theatre- Racine, WI | Container 3.4 |
| The Children's Theatre of Western Springs, Illinois | Container 3.5 |
| Childsplay | Container 3.6 |
| Chrysalis Theatre Company | Container 3.7 |
| Civic Center Youth Theatre- Syracuse, NY | Container 3.8 |
| Civic Children's Theatre- Youngstown, OH | Container 3.9 |
| Clarke College- Dubuque, IA | Container 3.10 |
| Cleveland Heights Youth Theatre | Container 3.11 |
| Climb, Inc., Creative Drama for the Handicapped | Container 3.12 |
| Colorado Caravan | Container 3.13 |
| Community Children's Theatre of Kansas City, Missouri | Container 3.14 |
| Community Children's Theatre- Poughkeepsie, NY | Container 3.15 |
| Community Children's Theatre- Twin Falls, IA | Container 3.16 |
| A Contemporary Theatre | Container 3.17 |
| Continental Theatre Company- KS | Container 3.18 |
| Creative Acting | Container 3.19 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Creative Arts Team | Container 3.20 |
| Creative Drama Weekend Workshop- Santa Barbara, CA | Container 3.21 |
| Creative Theatre for Youth of New Jersey | Container 3.22 |
| Creative Theatre Unlimited annual report, 1985-1986 | Container 3.23 |
| Critical Digest (Joanna and Ted Kraus)- New York City | Container 3.24 |
| Cultural Resources, New Orleans Public Schools | Container 3.25 |
| The Cumberland County Playhouse- Crossville, TN | Container 3.26 |
| Daisy Hill Theatre, College of St. Scholastica | Container 3.27 |
| Dallas Theatre Center | Container 3.28 |
| Dance Companies | Container 3.29 |
| Dayton Youth Theatre | Container 3.30 |
| Detroit Institute of the Arts | Container 3.31 |
| The Dinglefest Children's Theatre Company- Chicago, IL | Container 3.32 |
| Dragon Marionettes | Container 3.33 |
| Dramarena | Container 3.34 |
| Dramatists Guild, Inc.- New York City | Container 3.35 |
| Eastern Michigan University Theatre | Container 3.36 |
| Eastern New Mexico University- Portales, NM | Container 4.1 |
| Eblana | Container 4.2 |
| Edinburgh Theatre Workshop | Container 4.4 |
| Educational Arts Association | |
| Electric Circus Repertory Company | Container 4.5 |
| The Emmy Gifford Children's Theatre- Omaha, NE | Container 4.6 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Empire State Youth Theatre | Container 4.7 |
| Equity Library Theatre for Children | Container 4.8 |
| Ethnic Dance Companies | Container 4.9 |
| Everyman's Players | Container 4.10 |
| Fanfare Theatre | Container 4.11 |
| Fantasy Express Children's Theatre | Container 4.12 |
| Fifth Avenue Opera Association | Container 4.13 |
| Fireman's Revue | Container 4.14 |
| First All Children's Theatre | Container 4.15 |
| Flint Theatre for Youth | Container 4.16 |
| Focus Theatre | Container 4.17 |
| Fort Lauderdale Children's Theatre | Container 4.18 |
| Fort Wayne Civic Youth Theatre | Container 4.19 |
| The Four Winds Theatre | Container 4.20 |
| Gaiety Theatre | Container 4.21 |
| The Gingerbread Players and Jack | Container 4.22 |
| Tom Glazer | Container 4.23 |
| Goodman Theatre | Container 4.24 |
| Great American Children's Theatre Company | Container 4.25 |
| Hancock College | Container 4.26 |
| Harlem School of the Arts | Container 4.27 |
| Harwich Junior Theatre | Container 4.28 |
| Hawaii Performing Arts Company | Container 4.29 |
| Henry Street Settlement | Container 4.30 |
| Hofstra University- New York City | Container 4.31 |

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Hollywood Bowl Open House | Container 5.1 |
| HOMERO, The Cricket's Theatre | Container 5.2 |
| Honolulu Theatre for Youth | Container 5.3-4 |
| Hote Casella | Container 5.5 |
| Hourglass/Theatre for Young Adults | Container 5.6 |
| Hunter College Patchwork Players | Container 5.7 |
| ICA Theatre | Container 5.8 |
| IBM Gallery- New York | Container 5.9 |
| Idea Workshop, Trinity University | Container 5.10 |
| Illinois State University (Dorothy Dodd)- Normal, IL | Container 5.11 |
| Illusion Theatre Sexual Abuse Prevention Program | Container 5.12 |
| Imagination Celebration | Container 5.13 |
| Indiana Children's Museum | Container 5.14 |
| Interact, Children's Theatre | Container 5.15 |
| International Theatre Company | Container 5.16 |
| International Theatre Festival, 1981- Wales | Container 5.17 |
| Invisible Theatre | Container 5.18 |
| Ion Creanga Children's Theatre Company | Container 5.19 |
| Jewish Theatre for Children | Container 5.20 |
| John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts | Container 5.21-22 |
| Robert F. Kennedy Theatre for Children, Ltd. | Container 5.23 |
| Junior Black Academy of Arts & Letters | Container 5.24 |
| Junior League of Austin | Container 5.25 |
| Kid Connection, Indianapolis Civic Theatre | Container 5.26 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Learning about Learning- San Antonio, TX | Container 5.27 |
| The Learning Stage- Gainesville, FL | Container 5.28 |
| Learning Theatre | Container 5.29 |
| Lexington Children's Theatre- Lexington, KY | Container 5.30 |
| Library and Museum of the Performing Arts, Lincoln Center | Container 5.31 |
| Alice Liddell Theater Company- Chicago, IL | Container 5.32 |
| Little Angel Marionette Theater | Container 5.33 |
| Little Palm Theater of Florida | Container 5.34 |
| Little Theater of the Deaf | Container 5.35 |
| Little Theater on the Square (Guy S. Little) | Container 5.36 |
| Living Stage | Container 5.37 |
| Looking Glass Theater | Container 5.38 |
| Louisville Children's Theater, University of Louisville- Louisville, Kentucky | Container 5.39 |
| Lynchburg Fine Arts Center, Children's Theater- Lynchburg, VA | Container 5.40 |
| McCarter Theater | Container 5.41 |
| Magic Carpet Theater | Container 6.1 |
| Magic Wand Productions | Container 6.2 |
| Management, Musical Artists | Container 6.3 |
| Mark Taper Forum News Release | Container 6.4 |
| Martin Theater for Children | Container 6.5 |
| Maryland University Theater | Container 6.6 |
| Mary Washington College Department of Dramatic Arts & Speech, Children's Concert, Inc. | Container 6.7 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Maximillion Productions | Container 6.8 |
| Mermaid Theater of Canada | Container 6.9 |
| The Merry-Go-Rounders | Container 6.10 |
| Merseyside Young People's Theater Company- England | Container 6.11 |
| Mesa Youtheater, Cultural Activities Department- Mesa, AZ | Container 6.12 |
| Metro Children's Theater Circus- St. Louis, MO | Container 6.13 |
| Midland Community Theater, The Theater School | Container 6.14 |
| Mills College of Education Children's Theater Workshop- New York City | Container 6.15 |
| Missoula Children's Theatre- Missoula, MT | Container 6.16 |
| Missouri Vanguard Children's Theater | Container 6.17 |
| Tony Montanaro, Mime | Container 6.18 |
| Moppet Players, Theater Saint Paul | Container 6.19 |
| Mott Program of the Flint Board of Education | Container 6.20 |
| John Muir High School Department of Drama | Container 6.21 |
| Mummenschanz | Container 6.22 |
| Musical Artists | Container 6.23 |
| Nashville Children's Theater | Container 6.24 |
| The National Children's Theater | Container 6.25 |
| National Showcase of Performing Arts for Young People- Evanston, IL | Container 6.26 |
| National Theater Company- New Jersey | Container 6.27 |
| National Youth Theater of Great Britain | Container 6.28 |
| New England Theater Conference, NETC | Container 6.29 |
| New Lincoln School- New York City | Container 6.30 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| New York City Ballet | Container 6.31 |
| New York Public Library Children's Programs | Container 6.32 |
| New York Shakespeare Festival Mobile Theater | Container 6.33 |
| New York Shakespeare Festival's Public Theater/Martinson Hall | Container 6.34 |
| The New York Times | Container 6.35 |
| New York University Youtheater | Container 7.1 |
| New Orleans Public Schools | Container 7.2 |
| Niagara University of New York | Container 7.3 |
| Northeastern University- Boston, MA | Container 7.4 |
| Northern Iowa University | Container 7.5 |
| Northwestern University | Container 7.6 |
| Off Center Theater | Container 7.7 |
| Okoboji Children's Theater | Container 7.8 |
| Omaha Junior Theater | Container 7.9 |
| Omnibus- Quebec, Canada | Container 7.10 |
| O'Neil Theater Center | Container 7.11 |
| Opera, miscellaneous groups | Container 7.12 |
| Oregon Shakespeare Festival | Container 7.13 |
| The Other Theater | Container 7.14 |
| Otrabanda Company | Container 7.15 |
| PAF Youth Theater Center | Container 7.16 |
| Palo Alto Children's Theater | Container 7.17 |
| Pampa Storybook Players | Container 7.18 |
| The Pantomime Theater of New York | Container 7.19 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Peacock Theater | Container 7.20 |
| Peel & Smith Management for the Arts, Inc. | Container 7.21 |
| Performing Tree | Container 7.22 |
| Periwinkle | Container 7.23 |
| Permian Playhouse | Container 7.24 |
| Peter Pan Players | Container 7.25 |
| Phoenix Little Theater | Container 7.26 |
| Pickwick Puppet Theater | Container 7.27 |
| Susan Pimpsleur, Musical Artists | Container 7.28 |
| Pittsburgh Playhouse | Container 7.29 |
| Player's Theater- Greenwich Village, New York City | Container 7.30 |
| The Players' Theater of Manchester | Container 7.31 |
| Playwright's Theater | Container 8.1 |
| Pleasure Guild of Children's Hospital | Container 8.2 |
| The Pocket Players (Muriel Sharon) | Container 8.3 |
| Poncho Theater | Container 8.4 |
| The Portable Phoenix, APA Phoenix | Container 8.5 |
| Portland Junior Civic Theater | Container 8.6 |
| Prince Street Players, Ltd. | Container 8.7 |
| Promenade Theater | Container 8.8 |
| Puppetry, Marionettes, Shadow Plays, miscellaneous groups | Container 8.9 |
| Robert B. Radnitz | Container 8.10 |
| Rainbow Company | Container 8.11 |
| Robin Hood Players | Container 8.12 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Rockefeller Players Repertory Co. | Container 8.13 |
| RosenSchontz | Container 8.14 |
| Round Earth Company | Container 8.15 |
| St. Paul Philharmonic | Container 8.16 |
| San Antonio College | Container 8.17 |
| San Antonio Little Theater | Container 8.18 |
| San Diego Junior Theater | Container 8.19 |
| San Diego State University | Container 8.20 |
| San Francisco Theater Guild | Container 8.21 |
| Saturday Theater Program, All Neighborhood School Project- New York City | Container 8.22 |
| Schlesinger-Dansicker Music Scripts | Container 8.23 |
| Seattle Junior Programs, Inc. | Container 8.24 |
| Showboat Children's Theater | Container 8.25 |
| Showcase of Performing Arts for Young People, CRC- New York City | Container 8.26 |
| Showcase, Region 14, CTC- New York City | Container 8.27 |
| Showplace Superstars | Container 8.28 |
| Silver Button Productions | Container 8.29 |
| Storybook Puppet Theater | Container 8.30 |
| "Street 70" Theater Company | Container 8.31 |
| Student's Summer Playhouse, Creative Theater of Victoria | Container 8.32 |
| Southern Methodist University | Container 8.33 |
| Southwest Performing Arts Resources Center | Container 8.34 |
| Southwest Texas State University | Container 8.35 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Sou-zab-rou Oti-ai Children's Theater of Japan | Container 8.36 |
| Spokane Children's Theater | Container 8.37 |
| Springfield Little Theater | Container 8.38 |
| The Tadpole Players, Totem Pole Playhouse- Fayetteville, PA | Container 8.39 |
| Teatr Polski, Warszawie | Container 8.40 |
| Texas School for the Deaf | Container 8.41 |
| Texas Women's University, Children's Theater | Container 8.42 |
| Texas Youth Theater- San Antonio, TX | Container 8.43 |
| Temple University | Container 9.1 |
| Theater a la Carte | Container 9.2 |
| Theater Atlanta | Container 9.3 |
| Theater Center London | Container 9.4 |
| Theater in the Street | Container 9.5 |
| Theater on Wheels- Houston, TX | Container 9.6 |
| Theater Resources for Youth- Durham, NH | Container 9.7 |
| The Theater School- Maplewood, NJ | Container 9.8 |
| Theaterworks USA | Container 9.9 |
| Tom Thumb Players | Container 9.10 |
| Topeka Recreation Department | Container 9.11 |
| Top-Flight Players | Container 9.12 |
| The Traveling Playhouse, Kent and Kay Rockefeller | Container 9.13 |
| Trinity University- San Antonio, TX | Container 9.14 |
| Tufts University, Magic Circle Theater for Children | Container 9.15 |
| Tulsa Little Theater | Container 9.16 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Turnabouts | Container 9.17 |
| 24th Street Experiment, Our Lady of the Lake University- San Antonio, TX | Container 9.18 |
| Tyreeside Theater Company | Container 9.19 |
| Denis Tyrrell Productions | Container 9.20 |
| Underground Railway Theater | Container 9.21 |
| Unicorn Theater- London | Container 9.22 |
| University of California- Los Angeles, CA | Container 9.23 |
| University of California- San Jose, CA | Container 9.24 |
| University of California- Santa Barbara, CA | Container 9.25 |
| University of Denver Theater | Container 9.26 |
| University of Houston | Container 9.27 |
| University of Kansas (Jed Davis) | Container 9.28 |
| University of Minnesota | Container 9.29 |
| University of New York- Albany, NY | Container 9.30 |
| University of North Carolina Theater for Young People | Container 9.31 |
| University of Northern Colorado | Container 9.32 |
| The University of Pittsburg | Container 9.33 |
| University of Rhode Island, Children's Theater Workshop | Container 9.34 |
| University of Texas at El Paso, American Children's Theater Institute | Container 9.35 |
| University of Utah, Pioneer Young People's Theater | Container 9.36 |
| University of Washington | Container 10.1 |
| University of Wisconsin | Container 10.2 |
| The Waco Civic Theater, Frank Baird Children's and Young People's Theater | Container 10.3 |

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Washington D.C. Department of Recreation | Container 10.4 |
| Washington State University Theatre | Container 10.5 |
| West Scene | Container 10.6 |
| Wichita Children's Theater | Container 10.7 |
| YM & YWHA | Container 10.8 |
| Yoshi and Company | Container 10.9 |
| Young Audiences, Inc.- New York City | Container 10.10 |
| The Young Charleston Theater Co.- Charleston, SC | Container 10.11 |
| Young People's Theater, City Center | Container 10.12 |
| Young People's Theater, Heritage House | Container 10.13 |
| Young People's Theater of Toronto | Container 10.14 |
| Young Vic Theater, London | Container 10.15 |
| Young World Foundation | Container 10.16 |
| Youtheater, Emerson College | Container 10.17 |
| Youth Theater Productions, Inc. | Container 10.18 |
| Zachary Scott Theater, Austin Civic Theater, Youth Theater | Container 10.19-20 |
| Miscellaneous | Container 10.21 |

Bar Code Index

- 1--059188000123301
- 2--059188000123312
- 3--059188000123323
- 4--059188000123334
- 5--059188000123345
- 6--059188000123356
- 7--059188000123390
- 8--059188000123389
- 9--059188000123378
- 10--059188000123367