

# **Arthur Todd:**

## **A Preliminary Inventory of His Papers in the Performing Arts Collection at the Harry Ransom Center**

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### **Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Todd, Arthur

**Title:** Arthur Todd Papers

**Dates:** circa 1946-1978

**Extent:** 3 document boxes (1.26 linear feet)

**Abstract:** Arthur Todd (d. 1978) was a dance critic, photographer, and patron of the arts. The Arthur Todd Papers, circa 1946-1978, consist mainly of incoming letters, postcards, and greetings cards, primarily from English and American dancers and choreographers.

**Call Number:** Perfoming Arts Collection PA-00094

**Language:** English

**Access:** Open for research. This brief collection description is an accession record. The collection is not fully processed or cataloged; no biographical sketch or descriptions of series are available.

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### **Administrative Information**

**Acquisition:** Purchase (R9165), 1981

**Processed by:** Antonio Alfau, 2005

**Repository:** [Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin](#)

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## Scope and Contents

Arthur Todd (d. 1978) was a dance critic, photographer, and patron of the arts. The Arthur Todd Papers, circa 1946-1978, consist mainly of incoming letters, postcards, and greetings cards, some enclosing photographs, programs, magazine covers with autographs, and handwritten notes. The materials are arranged alphabetically by correspondent in a single series.

The letters are primarily from English and American dancers and choreographers, for the most part thanking him for gifts, reviews, favorable notices, and support. Among the principal correspondents are Ruth St. Denis (whose letters represent the bulk of the papers), Alvin Ailey, Alexandra Danilova, Agnes De Mille, Ninette De Valois, Dame Margot Fonteyn, Beryl Grey, Hanya Holm, Doris Humphrey, Tamara Karsavina, José Limón, Dame Alicia Markova, Marie Rambert, and Mary Wigman.

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