

Inventory of the

**Visual and Performing
Arts College**

Records

In the

Northern Illinois University Archives

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INTRODUCTION

The University Archives acquired the College of Visual and Performing Arts in several installments beginning in the mid-1960's. Literary rights are dedicated to the public. There are no restrictions on access to the records.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The College of Visual and Performing Arts record group consists of two series: college records and department records. The department records are arranged alphabetically. There is also a substantial addendum of programs for art exhibitions, music and theater performances.

The college records consist of college council/senate minutes (1973-1985); curriculum committee minutes (1965+); records for the Artist Series Board, Artrain, Committee for Arts and Cultural Programs; costume files for university plays and dance programs from (1966-1998); and correspondence with departments and on various topics. Although the Departments of Home Economics and Industry & Technology are no longer in this college, there is some correspondence concerning their programs (1960-1964). Except for accreditation reports from 1980-1981, the department records are very scant and primarily contain newsletters, pamphlets and circulars. One folder containing College Council Meeting Minutes (1965-1969) is located in UA 26, Box 2, Folder 17. More information on the history of the College of Visual and Performing Arts may be found in other University Archives record series.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

In July 1959 the university established the College of Fine and Applied Arts containing the Departments of Art, Home Economics, Industrial Arts, Music, and Business. The Department of Business was fragmented in 1960 and established as the College of Business in 1961. On December 4, 1973 the Illinois Board of Higher Education approved the establishment of the College of Visual and Performing Arts composed of the Departments of Art, Music, and Theater Arts (formerly in the Department of Speech). Home Economics and Industrial Arts were transferred to the new College of Professional Studies.

As early as 1899 the College offered courses in drawing. It was not until 1921 that the administration formed a Department of Fine Arts. This was reorganized as the Department of Art in July 1958. Music also had an early start. Music is listed in the first catalog although a music teacher was not employed until the Fall of 1901. After becoming a department in 1921, Music offered only a special four year program until 1950. On July 6, 1972 the Illinois Board of

Higher Education approved a proposal requesting the separation of the theater component from the Department of Speech to create a Department of Theater with responsibility for majors at the bachelors and masters level. When moved to the College of Visual and Performing Arts, Theater Arts established a dance division which previously had been offered in the Department of Physical Education for Women. In August 1999 the School of Theatre Arts became the School of Theatre and Dance.

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7		Events: ABT II, 04/11/85	
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12		Information, 1984-1985	
13		Roster, 1984-1985	
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15		Great Lakes Arts Alliance, 1985	
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17		T.J. Anderson: Budget, 1986	
18		T.J. Anderson: 21st Cent. Minstrel Show, 02/12/86	
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20		Credit Lists, 1985	
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	2	Minutes, 1985	
	3	Promotion, 1985	
	4	Committee for Arts and Cultural Programs, 1984-1985:	
	5	Correspondence, 1985-1986	
	6	Minutes, 1985-1986	
	7	President's Study Com. Report, 1986	
	8	Verbal Statements, 1985	
	9	Policies, Procedures and Criteria for Personnel Decisions, June 1992	
	10	<u>Arts Connection</u> , Winter 1998	

SERIES II: Departmental Records

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9	1	History
	2	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 1963-1964
	3	Graduate Curriculum Committee, 1964-1965
	4	Correspondence, 1962-1975
	5-8	Bulletin, 1963-1982, 1989
	9	Fine Arts Festival, News Releases, 1968-1972
	10	N.A.S.A. Accreditation Report, 1969
	11	<u>Artifacts</u> , Art Alumni Newsletter, (1988-1999)
10A	1	Art Alumni, (1963-1976)
	2	Course Materials, 1954-1959
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	4	Liakos Lecture Series, 1968-1979
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	5	Newsletter, 1948, 1989-1990
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12	1	Student Handbooks, Band, 1963-1971
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	5	Albert Herring, Fall 1981
	6	Album, n.d.
	7	The Alchemist, Spring 1967
	8	Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves, Spring 1967
	9	Alice in Wonderland, Spring 1973
	10	All my Sons, Fall 1987
	11	Ameliorations, Fall 1973
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	13	Antigone, Spring 1989
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	15	Arms and the Man, Spring 1979
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	20	The Bald Soprano/The American Dream, Fall 1986
	21	Benefactors, Fall 1993
	22	Bent, Spring 1985
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	24	Beyond Therapy, Fall 1983
	25	The Birds, Spring 1971
	26	The Birthday Party, Fall 1969
	27	Blithe Spirit, Spring 1978
	28	Blues for Mr. Charlie, Fall 1971
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	37	Cabbages and Kings, Spring 1976
	38	The Cage, Fall 1984
	39	Candida, Spring 1980
	40	The Caretaker, Fall 1978
	41	Carnival, Fall 1987
	42	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, Fall 1972
	43	Celebration, Summer 1973
	44	Charley's Aunt, Spring 1972
	45	The Cherry Orchard, Fall 1978
	46	Close Ties, Fall 1982
	47	Come Back After the Fire, Spring 1972
	48	Company, Spring 1979
	49	A Company of Wayward Saints, Spring 1975
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	5	A Delicate Balance, Spring 1976
	6	The Devil's Disciple, Spring 1973
	7	Diary of Anne Frank, Spring 1996
	8	Die Fledermaus, Spring 1971
	9	The Diviners, Spring 1989
	10	Dr. Faustus, Spring 1973
	11	Dutchman, Fall 1978
	12	East Lynne, Spring 1976
	13-14	The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds, Spring 1973, 1986
	15	Emperor Jones, Fall 1975
	16	The Endgame, Spring 1973
	17	Enrico IV, Fall 1970
	18	Entertaining Mr. Sloane, Fall 1971
19	Equus, Spring 1983	
20	Everything in the Garden, Spring 1974	
21	Execution of Justice, Spring 1989	
22	Exit the King, Summer 1970	

15	23	Fences, Spring 1996
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	25	Final Rehearsal, Fall 1990
	26	The Foreigner, Spring 1988
	27	Fortune and Men's Eyes, Fall 1977
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	29	Gemini, Fall 1981
	30	Ghosts, Spring 1981
	31	The Gingerbread Lady, Fall 1980
	32	The Girl from Maxim's, Spring 1981
	33-34	The Glass Menagerie, Summer 1979, Spring 1989
	35	The Good Doctor, Spring 1982
	36	Grand Old Flag, Spring 1969
	37	Grease, Fall 1985
	38	The Great Gatsby, Fall 1980
	39	Gypsy, Summer 1980
	40	Hamlet, Fall 1968
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	42	Harry, Prince of Dreams, Summer 1973
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	46	The Homecoming, Fall 1972
	47	Horror Scope, Summer 1969
	48	The Hostage, Fall 1971
	49	Hot I Baltimore, Spring 1977
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	51-52	House of Blue Leaves, Spring 1973, Fall 1978
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	54	The Ice Man Cometh, Fall 1968
	55	The Imaginary Invalid, Fall 1972
	56	Indians, Spring 1973
	57	Independent Female, Spring 1977
	58	Interviews, Fall 1979
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	7	Kiss me, Kate, Spring 1972	
	8	La Perichole, Spring 1969	
	9	Last of the Red Hot Lovers, Summer 1978	
	10	Laundry & Bourbon/Lone Star, Fall 1988	
	11-12	La vie Parisienne, Fall 1984	
	13-14	Lion in Winter, Fall 1977, 1994	
	15	Lisa & David, Spring 1972	
	16	Little Mary Sunshine, Spring 1986	
	17	Little Murders, Fall 1974	
	18-19	Lysistrata, Spring 1975, Fall 1997	
	20	Macbeth, Spring 1980	
	21	Male Animal, Spring 1968	
	22	Man for all Seasons, Spring 1972	
	23	Man of Destiny, Fall 1980	
	24	The Man who Came to Dinner, Spring 1983	
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	26-27	Marat/Sade, Spring 1980	
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	29	Marvin's Room, Spring 1997	
	30	Master Harold . . . And the Boys, Spring 1987	
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	35	The Mikado, Fall 1972	
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	38	Mother Courage, 1984	
	39	Multi-Mime, Summer 1971-72	
	40-41	Much Ado About Nothing, Fall 1969, Spring 1993	
	42	The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail, Fall 1970	
	43	Noah, Spring 1968	
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		3-4	The Odd Couple, Spring 1976, 1994
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	15	Ordinary People, Fall 1988
	16-17	Peter Pan, 1975, Summer 1989
	18	The Physicists, Fall 1979
	19	Prelude to a Kiss, Spring 1996
	20	Portraits FA Festival, Spring 1976
	21	Prime of Miss Jean Brodie, Fall 1990
	22	Promenade All, Fall 1977
	23	Promises, Promises, Spring 1977
	24	The Prophets, Spring 1974
	25	Public Eye/Day Whores Came out to Play Tennis, Spring 1977
	26	Quilters, Spring 1988
	27	A Raisin in the Sun, Spring 1995
	28	The Real Inspector Hound, Fall 1976
	29	The Reluctant Dragon, Spring 1972
	30	Reynard the Fox, n.d.
	31	Rimers of Eldritch, Spring 1987
	32	The Rivals, Spring 1986
	33	The Rogue's Trial, Fall 1971
	34	Romeo and Jeannette, Fall 1980
	35	Romeo and Juliet, Spring 1985
	36	Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead, Spring 1975
	37	The Royal Game, Spring 1978
	38	Saint Joan, Spring 1970
	39	Say Goodnight, Gracie, Spring 1984
	40	Scapin, Fall 1987
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	42	Shakespeare and the Indians, Fall 1983
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	45	Six Characters in Search of an Author, Spring 1968
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	47	Small Craft Warnings, Fall 1974
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	8	Sweet Betsy from Pike/A Hand of Bridge, Fall 1972
	9	The System, Fall 1977
	10	Talking With, Spring 1985
	11	Talley's Folly, n.d.
	12	Tango, Spring 1971
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	15	Three Men on a Horse, Fall 1973
	16	Threepenny Opera, Fall 1992
	17	The Thrilling Life of a Circus Performer May One Day be Yours, Fall 1976
	18	The Time of Your Life, Fall 1975
	19	Thurber Carnival, Summer 1975
	20	Toys in the Attic, Spring 1979
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	23	Twelfth Night, Spring 1988
	24	Twigs, Fall 1983
	25	Two for the Seesaw, Summer 1977
	26	Uncle Vanya, Fall 1977
	27	Vanities, Spring 1979
	28	A View from the Bridge, Spring 1981
	29	The Wager, Fall 1976
	30	Waiting for Godot, Spring 1997
	31	Waiting for the Parade, n.d.
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	33	West Side Story, Fall 1988
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	38	Who's Happy Now?, Fall 1983
	39	Women at Love, Fall 1979
	40	Women of the Trojan War, Spring 1983
	41	World of Carl Sandburg, Summer 1977
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	4	Art Museum - Art of the New Deal Era Exhibition Suite Program, April 8-May 28, 2010; "Documenting the Depression: The Farm Security Administration as the Nation's Lens," lecture by David Kyvig, April 14, 2010 [DVD]; "Hope and Hard Times in the Heartland: Local Voices from the Great Depression," panel discussion with Laura Uplinger and Herman Heam, April 13, 2010 [DVD]
	5	School of Theatre and Dance Newsletters, 2010-2011
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| | 4 | The Faculty Collects Exhibit, 1969 |
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