

COACH HOUSE THEATER COLLECTION

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ACQUISITION: The collection was donated by Mary Craddock, 1997.

ACCESS: Restricted access: materials fragile; access by request at Main Library archives only; material does not circulate.

VOLUME: 1 storage box, plus 3 boxed scrapbooks. 2 linear ft.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection chiefly consists of theater programs for the Little Theater of the Akron Woman's City Club from 1936 – 1947 and the Coach House Theater from 1948 – 1958. The collection of programs is not complete. Also included are Woman's City Club Bulletins, miscellaneous correspondence, some photographs, scrapbooks and a few related items from other theaters ranging from 1929 to the 1950s.

INVENTORY:

FOLDER 1: Billie Lahrmer presents: "Another Language" undated.

FOLDER 2: Billie Lahrmer presents: "Candle – Light" undated.

FOLDER 3: Billie Lahrmer presents: "Russet Mantle" undated.

FOLDER 4: Bulletin: Woman's City Club, 1929.

FOLDER 5: Bulletin: Woman's City Club, 1930.

FOLDER 6: Clippings – miscellaneous.

FOLDER 7: Correspondence: Woman's City Club, Little Theater Section.

FOLDER 8: (2 items) Gridiron: invitation, March 29, 1940.

FOLDER 9: (2 items) Gridiron: program, March 29, 1940.

FOLDER 10: Notes written by Mrs. Harriet B. Wilson on the history of the theater, Akron
Woman's City Club.

FOLDER 11: Cain Park Theater program for "Kiss Me Kate", Cleveland, 1953.

FOLDER 12: (4 items) Coach House Theater photographs.

- FOLDER 13: Coach House Theater, 1948 – 49 programs for;
“First Lady”
“Glamour Preferred”
“Out of the Frying Pan”
“Portrait in Black”
- FOLDER 14: Coach House Theater, 1949 – 50 programs for;
“January Thaw”
“Burlesque”
“Chicken Every Sunday”
“Laura”
- FOLDER 15: Coach House Theater, 1951 – 52 program for “Torch Bearers”.
- FOLDER 16: Coach House Theater, 1952 – 53 programs for;
“Vinegar Tree”
“Love Me Long”
“Summer and Smoke”
“Home at Seven”
- FOLDER 17: Coach House Theater, 1953 – 54 programs for;
“Smilin’ Through”
“Affairs of State”
“As Husbands Go”
“Be Your Age”
- FOLDER 18: Coach House Theater, 1954 – 55 programs for;
“Time Out for Ginger”
“Death of a Salesman”
“Ladies and Gentleman of the Jury”
“His and Hers”
- FOLDER 19: Coach House Theater, 1955 – 56 programs for;
“Bernadine”
“Night Must Fall”
“Sabrina Fair”
“Solid Gold Cadillac”
- FOLDER 20: Coach House Theater, 1957 – 58 program for “The Drunkard”.
- FOLDER 21: Hallowe’en Hilarities, A Woman’s Home Companion Booklet.
- FOLDER 22: (2 items) Little Theater, undated program for “Marriage for King Paulinus”.

- FOLDER 23: (3 copies) Little Theater, undated programs for “Room Service”.
- FOLDER 24: Little Theater Players, undated program for “Hay Fever”.
- FOLDER 25: Little Theater Players, 1936 program for “No More Ladies”.
- FOLDER 26: Little Theater Players, 1938 program for the 11th season, 1st production
“Three Men on a Horse”.
- FOLDER 27: Little Theater Players, 1939 program for the 11th season, 2nd production
“Her Master’s Voice”.
- FOLDER 28: Little Theater Players, 1939 program for the 11th season, 3rd production
“The Ninth Guest”.
- FOLDER 29: (3 copies) Little Theater Players, 1940 program for the 12th season, 2nd production
“The Spider”.
- FOLDER 30: Little Theater Players, 1940 program for the 12th season, 3rd production
“Personal Appearance”.
- FOLDER 31: Little Theater Players, 1940 program for the 13th season, 1st production “First Lady”.
- FOLDER 32: Little Theater Players, 1940 program for the 13th season, 2nd production
“The Donovan Affair”.
- FOLDER 33: Little Theater Players, 1941 program for the 13th season, 4th production
“When Ladies Meet”.
- FOLDER 34: Little Theater Section, 1943 program for “Mr. and Mrs. Smith”.
- FOLDER 35: Little Theater Section, 1947 program for “The Late George Apley”.
- FOLDER 36: Play, 1946, “A Scrap of Paper”, unidentified.
- FOLDER 37: Playhouse, Cleveland, program for the 14th season, 7th production “Escape”.

- FOLDER 38: Portage Players, 1948 program for “Springtime for Henry”.
- FOLDER 39: Scrapbook #1, Little Theater Players, Akron Woman’s City Club, 1936-1938.
 Note: This folder contains photocopies of the original contents in Scrapbook #1, which are listed below with further details.
- FOLDER 40: Scrapbook #2, Little Theater, Akron Woman’s City Club, 1944-46.
 Note: This folder contains photocopies of the original contents of Scrapbook #2, which are listed below with further details.
- FOLDER 41 A, B, C, D, = 4 folders: Scrapbook #3, Coach House Theater, 1940s-50s.
 Note: These folders contain photocopies of the original contents of Scrapbook #3, which are listed below with further details.
- FOLDER 42: Spotlight Theater, undated program for “ The Barker”.
- FOLDER 43: Spotlight Theater, undated program for “Criminal at Large”.
- FOLDER 44: Spotlight Theater, 1948 program for “Three’s a Family”.
- FOLDER 45: Stan Hywet Hall Foundation, Seventh Annual Report dated March 28, 1966.
- FOLDER 46: University Theater presentation, 1929 program for “Dulcy”, which played at the
 Goodyear Theater.
- FOLDER 47: Weathervane brochure, “Fundraising is Fun...”
- SCRAPBOOK #1: Contains various clippings about Akron Woman’s City Club and Little Theater
 Players c. 1936-38. See Also FOLDER 39.
- SCRAPBOOK #2: Contains various clippings about Akron Woman’s City Club, Little Theater
 Players, programs, and miscellaneous flyers and invitations to other related events c. 1944-46. See also FOLDER 40.
- SCRAPBOOK #3: Contains various clippings about Coach House Theater c.1940s-50s.

following (See also: FOLDER 41.) This Scrapbook also contains the
photographs:

- Clean-up gang, 3 photographs
- Bazaar-Carnival, 13 photographs
- Election Party (for Eisenhower), 6 photographs
- From the play "Glamour Preferred", 3 photographs
- From the play "Portrait in Black", 6 photographs
- From the play "First Lady", 3 photographs
- From the play "Claudia", 3 photographs