

Chicago Theatres Scrapbooks

This collection on Chicago area theatres consists primarily of three scrapbooks filled with clippings, programs, reviews, and publicity generated for the theatre seasons between 1908 and 1915. Performances were generally in theatres in Chicago or the surrounding area. Some of the scrapbooks have a performance index listing the plays included in the volume. There are many publicity photographs from playbills and the newspaper of actors, actresses and scenes from the stage performance. Cast lists for particular plays are included. Some performances have comments by the owner of the scrapbook. These scrapbooks were given to Northwestern University Library by Mary Ward.

For additional archival theatre material, consult the Dublin Gate Theatre Archive, Lucy Wilson scrapbook (CXXX), Ira Aldridge Collection (IV), Edward Gordon Craig Collection (series C), McIntyre & Heath (CXXXIII), and the McCormick Library's playbill collection. See also the department's description on Theatre Resources.

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- F. 1 Chicago area theatres, 1908 – 1911; programs, reviews, clippings of actors and actresses
- F. 2 Chicago theatres, 1909 – 1912, with performance index; program clippings, photo clippings from performances or publicity, comments on plays
- F. 3 Chicago theatres, 1914 – 1915, with performance index; program clippings, photo clippings from performances or publicity, comments on plays, publicity booklets, playbills
- F. 4 Bush Temple Theatre, March 1909; playbill and clippings
- F. 5 Chicago Opera House, pages from playbill for *Madame X*; 5 publicity postcards
Grand Opera House, December 1902, publicity and cast list; 2 postcards
- F. 6 National Theatre, ticket stub and sketch with note that theatre was destroyed
By fire on 21 April 1852.
- F. 7 Olympic Theatre, 7 publicity postcards
- F. 8 Miscellaneous Chicago Theatres, playbills
Auditorium, Blackstone, Erlanger, Harris, Illinois, Princess, Playhouse,
Studebaker Theatres
- F. 9 Loose photographs from scrapbooks; Peggy O'Neil, autographed photograph
- F. 10 Miscellaneous loose ephemera from scrapbooks, mostly clippings