



Arrow Rock (Mo.) Lyceum Theatre Records (C2898)

Collection Number: C2898

Collection Title: Arrow Rock (Mo.) Lyceum Theatre Records

Dates: 1964-1992

Creator: Arrow Rock Lyceum Theatre Board of Directors

Abstract: Correspondence, board meeting minutes and memos, financial records, and history concerning the Lyceum Theatre in Arrow Rock, Missouri.

Collection Size: 0.3 cubic feet
(6 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at columbia@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

In 1961, an empty Baptist Church in Arrow Rock was converted into a summer theatre by a group of culturally like-minded individuals, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Argubright, Dr. and Mrs. John R.

Lawrence, Henry Swanson, Jay Turley, and the Friends of Arrow Rock. The theatre opened for its first season in the summer of 1961. The first board of directors for the Lyceum Theatre included Dr. John Lawrence, president; W. Howard Adams, vice president; Henry Swanson, secretary; and John Huston, treasurer.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following four series:

Correspondence
Board Records
Printed Material
History

Scope and Content Note:

The Arrow Rock Lyceum Theatre Records were donated by board members in various decades and reflect the work of the board primarily in the 1970s and early 1990s. There is some correspondence from the 1960s and no records exist for the 1980s.

Correspondence

This series includes letters written between various board members regarding Lyceum Theatre business including fundraising ideas and potential donors. The correspondence is largely from the 1970s and early 1990s.

Board Records

The Board Records series contains memos to the executive committee, 1990-1992, board minutes from the 1970s and early 1990s, and financial records from the 1970s and early 1990s.

Printed Material

This series contains miscellaneous printed material used to promote the theatre such as flyers, programs and brochures. There are just a few examples between the 1970s and 1990s.

History

This series contains two unauthored histories of the theatre in addition to a brief history from the magazine *Spotlighting Missouri*. Also included is a 1985 history written by Henry Swanson, one of the theatre's founders, titled "Arrow Rock Mo. Lyceum Theatre, The First Seasons, 1961-79."

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