

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY**  
**SP0060 (SPA0064)**  
**SPRINGFIELD CONTEMPORARY THEATRE COLLECTION**

This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri, Research Center-Springfield](https://www.shsmo.org/research-center-springfield). If you would like more information, please contact us at [springfield@shsmo.org](mailto:springfield@shsmo.org).

**Dates:** 1995-2019

**Creator:** Springfield Contemporary Theatre

**Collection Size:** 12 cubic feet, 4 oversize boxes

**Introduction**

The Springfield Contemporary Theatre Collection includes posters, programs, photographs, marketing materials, and video recordings of productions performed by the company from 1995 to 2019. The collection also contains theatre files and newspaper articles. The Vandivort Center Theatre, owned by Louis Schaeffer, was in operation from December 1995 to January 2013 and was the home of the Springfield Contemporary Theatre. In 2009, the Springfield Contemporary Theatre, Inc. was formed as the non-profit production company. Since the closing of the Vandivort Center Theatre, productions have been housed at the Wilhoit Plaza in Springfield, Missouri.

**Donor Information**

This collection was donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Rick Dines on November 25, 2019 (Accession No. SPA0064).

**Restrictions**

Donor retains rights to artwork associated with promotional material. Anyone wishing to publish said artwork must contact Mr. Dines.

**Box List**

**Box 1**

Promotional material & playbills, 1995-2010

**Box 2**

Promotional material & playbills, 2011-2017, n.d.

Missouri theaters, 1995-2001, n.d.

U.S. theaters, 1994-1996, n.d.

Miscellaneous, 1995-1999, n.d.

Miscellaneous playbills, n.d.

**Box 3**

Photographs

1995-1997

April 1998 (3)

May 1998

June-July 1998

September 1998 (2)

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December 1998  
January-May 1999  
June-July 1999  
August-October 1999  
November 1999  
December 1999  
No Date (2)

**Box 4**

Photographs

January 2000  
February 2000  
March-April 2000  
April-May 2000  
June 2000  
July 2000 (2)  
August 2000  
August-September 2000  
November 2000  
December 2000

**Box 5**

Photographs

No Date  
January 2001  
February 2001 (2)  
March 2001  
April-May 2001 (4)  
June 2001  
August 2001  
September 2001  
November 2001  
December 2001

**Box 6**

Photographs

January 2002  
February 2002  
February/March 2002  
March-May 2002  
April/May 2002  
May 2002  
June 2002  
July 2002  
August 2002  
September 2002

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November 2002

December 2002

**Box 7**

Photographs

January/February 2003

March 2003 (2)

April/May 2003 (2)

June 2003

July 2003

August 2003

September-November 2003

December 2003

**Box 8**

Photographs

February 2004

March 2004

April-May 2004 (3)

May-June 2004

July 2004

August-September 2004

October November 2004

November 2004

December 2004

**Box 9**

Photographs

February 2005

March-April 2005

April-May 2005

June-July 2005

August-September 2005

September-October 2005

October 2005

November 2005

December 2005

**Box 10**

Photographs

January-February 2006

March 2006

April 2006

July 2006

Photographs, 2007

Miscellaneous & Headshots

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Floppy Disks (3)

**Box 11**

Photographs

Miscellaneous slides, CDs

Undeveloped film

May 1998-September 1998

October 1999-August 2000

June 2001- December 2001 & March 2001

July 2002- December 2002 & April 1999

January 2003- April 2003

June 2003- September 2003, February 2003- March 2003

October 2003- July 2004

August 2004- March 2005

Video Tapes

“Kiss of the Spider Women” May 2002

“P.S. Your Cat Is Dead” 12/8/01

“A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum” July 22nd

Video Cassettes

“Anton in Show Business Act I” 7/19/02

“Anton in Show Business Act II” 7/19/02

“The Laramie Project Act I” n.d.

“The Laramie Project Act II” n.d.

“The Rocky Horror Picture Show Act I”

“The Rocky Horror Picture Show Act II”

“Anton in Show Business Act I”

“Anton in Show Business Act II”

Unidentified

“Shaeffer Christmas”

**Box 12**

Miscellaneous

Correspondence, 1995-2018

Files, 1995

Files, 1996

Files, 1998-2001

Files, 2002-2006

Files, 2007-2017

Files, n.d. (4)

Floor plans, n.d.

Newspaper articles, 1995-1997 (2)

Newspaper articles, 1998-1999

Newspaper articles, 2000-2004

Newspaper articles, 2005-2012

Newspaper articles, 2014-2019

Newspaper articles, n.d.

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National organizations, 1999-2018  
International organizations, 1992  
Springfield organizations, 1991-2001, n.d.  
Springfield Little Theatre, 1976  
“Tri Life!” Magazine, 1996-1997  
Miscellaneous publications, 1999-2013

**Box 13**

Oversize, 1996-2013  
Promotional material  
Posters

**Box 14**

Oversize, n.d.  
Promotional material  
Posters

**Box 15**

Oversize, 1997-2005, n.d.  
Promotional material  
Posters  
Artwork  
Photographs  
Floor plans

**Box 16**

Oversize, 2006-2011, n.d.  
Promotional material  
Posters  
Artwork  
Photographs  
Floor plans