

COVENTRY MYSTERY PLAYS – Material Held at Coventry History Centre

CCA/3/1/14631

File relating to Coventry Cathedral Festival
1957 - 1962

General correspondence relating to the preparations for the Coventry Cathedral Festival of 1962, which commemorated the consecration of the new Cathedral. The letters and memos etc. collected here are concerned mostly with the provision of temporary car parking facilities during the Festival, the provision of first aid stations, street decorations, temporary youth hostels for visiting youngsters, the Festival programme (along with numbers in attendance, numbers of performers), and the presentation in Shelton Square of a Mystery Play by the Coventry Guild Players.

CCH/1/11/26

File relating to the Coventry Mystery Plays production in 2003
Jun 2002 - Sep 2003

Papers relating particularly to talks and exhibition at the Herbert Art Gallery and Museum, including flyer

CCH/1/11/27/1-2

File relating to the Coventry Mystery Plays production in 2006
Oct 2005 - Aug 2006

Papers relating particularly to talks and exhibition at the Herbert Art Gallery and Museum. Includes /2 copy of the script for the Play by Ron Hutchins

CCH/1/27/13

File relating to the Belgrade Theatre, Coventry
Jul 2002 - Dec 2000

Miscellaneous papers including some Board papers, capital development scheme presentation, July 2003, correspondence etc relating to the production of the 'Mystery Play' in 2003

CCH/1/27/128

File relating to talk by Pamela King at the Herbert Art Gallery and Museum in connection with production of the Mystery Plays in the ruins of Coventry Cathedral
Jul 2006 - Oct 2006

PA2287/23/21/1-10

'Our Millennium Photographs' 2000

Sheets of photographs including the opening ceremony of the new school, children from year 6 on an adventure holiday at Dol-y-moch, Wales, children wearing Easter bonnets and a scene from the mystery play

PA2313: BELGRADE THEATRE COLLECTION

PA2313/1/2/22/3

Programme: Coventry Mystery Plays

1 Aug 1978 - 12 Aug 1978

[Belgrade Theatre] Performed in the Cathedral Ruins. Cast: Paul Alexander (photograph), Robert Benfield (photograph), Charles West (photograph), Terry Molloy (photograph), Damien Thomas (photograph), Ray (Raymond) LLewellyn (photograph), Jonathan Owen (photograph), Joan Moon (photograph), Marian Kemmer (photograph), Stella Haime (photograph), Matthew Williams (photograph). Extras: Jon Gaunt, Stephanie Hadleigh, Steve Davies, Jackie Collins, Suzanne Tatton, Greg Thomas, Brian Hitchcock, Lee Douglas, Ann Cunningham, Michael Igoc, Raphael Salguero, Cherri Ball, Bridgette Chenells. Director: Ed Thomason. Brief history of Mystery Plays included in programme.

PA2313/1/2/23/6

Programme: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

31 Jul 1979 - 18 Aug 1979

[Belgrade Theatre] Cast: Paul Alexander (photograph), Jonathan Burn (photograph), David Goodland (photograph), Philip Guard (photograph), Stella Haime (photograph), Maggie McCarthy (photograph), Joan Moon (photograph), Colman O'Doherty (photograph), Jonathan Owen (photograph), Barrie Smith (photograph), David Timson (photograph), Matthew Williams (photograph). Director: Ed Thomason

PA2313/1/2/24/9

Programme: Coventry Mystery Plays

29 Jul 1980 - 16 Aug 1980

[Belgrade Theatre] Performed in the ruins of Coventry Cathedral. Cast: Raad Rawi (photograph), Conrad Asquith (photograph), David Goodland (photograph), Desmond Stokes (photograph), Jan Shand (photograph), Sue Withers (photograph), Elizabeth Sinclair, Andrew Dunford (photograph), Aaron Shirley (photograph), Barrie Smith (photograph), Ken Sharrock. Directors: Michael Boyd and Robert Hamlin. Programme includes brief history of Mystery Plays.

PA2313/1/2/25/11

Programme: Coventry Mystery Plays, adapted by Keith Miles

4 Aug 1981 - 22 Aug 1981

[Belgrade Theatre] Performed in Cathedral Ruins. Cast: Jeffry Chiswick, Tim Hardy, Reginald Jessup, Diana Kyle, Alec Linstead, Leslie Mackie, Robert McCulley, Ric Morgan, David Moylan, Michael Rodden, Elizabeth Sinclair. Extras: Dave Howarth, Liz Dewhurst, Mary Montes, Paul Montes, Rosa Roberts, Frank Forbes, Clive Skelhon, Clive Owen, Colin McAuley, Emma Palmer. Boy Jesus: Timothy Corkery. Baby Jesus: Patrick Tampkins, Stephen Hodges. Director: Michael Boyd. Brief history of the Mystery Plays included in leaflet.

PA2313/1/2/28/14

Programme: Coventry Mystery Play

1984

[Belgrade Theatre] Performed in the Cathedral Ruins. Cast: Conrad Asquith (photograph), Robert Cavendish (photograph), Graham Christopher (photograph), Karen Davies (photograph), John Gower (photograph), Geraldine Griffiths (photograph), Debbie Joel (photograph), Michael Mears (photograph), Nigel Miles-Thomas (photograph), Stuart Richman (photograph), Christopher Whittingham (photograph). Directors: Robert Hamlin and Ivor Benjamin

PA2313/1/2/31/9

Programme: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

27 Jul 1987 - 15 Aug 1987

[Belgrade Theatre] Draft copy. Cast: John Adewole, Misli Allan, Jim Findley, Yvonne Gidden, Jimmi Harkishin, Ken Herbert, Leon Herbet, George Jackos, Marcia Myrie, Jay Ruparelia, Aftab Sachak, T Bone Wilson, Michael Basiti, Patric Berry, Michelle Costello, Stephen Edwards, Audrajean Elliot, Kim Forster, Josie Headly, Jonathon Healy, Richard Holmes, Adele Horton, Ravinder Jandu, Phillip Jones, Jay Kotecha, Paul McClean, Sean McGovern, David Phillimore, Beverley Ricketts, Mark Robinson, Arvind Sarna, Stephen Schnell, Curtis Sealy, David Stroud, Peter Tucker, Steven Urbanski. Director: Rob Bettinson. Designer: Adrian Rees. Music: Eric Watson and Tom Nordon.

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Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

1978

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographers: ICA Studios, Coventry; Richard Sadler, Coventry.

13 colour photographs

Photographic paper

PA2313/2/22/13

Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

1979

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer: Richard Sadler, Coventry. Artwork: Peter Hatch Partnership, London.

12 black and white photographs; 2 mounted copies of publicity artwork

Photographic paper

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Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

1980

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer: unknown

6 black and white photographs including duplicates

Photographic paper

PA2313/2/24/19

Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

1981

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer: Richard Sadler, Coventry

23 black and white photographs

Photographic paper

PA2313/2/27/11

Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

1984

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer unknown

6 black and white photographs

Photographic paper

PA2313/2/30/15

Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'

1987

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer: unknown

67 black and white photographs, including duplicates; 1 colour photograph†

Photographic paper - two packets

PA2313/2/33/8

Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'
1990

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer: Richard Sadler, Coventry
13 black and white photographs
Photographic paper

PA2313/2/34/9

Photographs: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'
1991

[Belgrade Theatre] Photographer: Richard Sadler, Coventry
1 colour photograph
Photographic paper

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Poster: 'Coventry Mystery Plays 1979'
31 Jul 1979 - 18 Aug
1979

[Belgrade Theatre]

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Poster: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'
30 Jul 1984 - 18 Aug
1984

[Belgrade Theatre]

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Poster: 'Coventry Mystery Plays'
23 Jul 1990 - 18 Aug
1990

[Belgrade Theatre] Performed in the ruins of Coventry Cathedral

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Book of presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions
May 1962 - Jun 1963

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews: Others: first Coventry Cathedral Festival; "King Priam" by Michael Tippett, "War Requiem" by Benjamin Britten; first performance of the Coventry Mystery Plays (The Ludus Coventriae); Leonard Rossiter; Peggy Ashcroft; Alan Haywood; Laurence Olivier; Arnold Wesker; Trevor Nunn; Photographs: Norelle Keddie's memorial to Bryan Bailey

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Book of presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions
Feb 1977 - Mar 1978

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews: revival of the Coventry Mystery Plays; David Suchet and Sheila Ferris; John Dixon; Jess Conrad; Peter Harlowe; Eric Carte; Jonathan Newth; Geoffrey Hutchings; Karin McCarthy; Clive Merrison; Robin Parkinson; Brenda Blethyn; Liz Smith; Patrick Drury; Susan Penhaligon; Andrew Davies; Frances Cuka; Alan Haywood; William Boyde; Dorcas Jones; David Alister

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File of presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions

Mar 1978 - Apr 1979

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews:

"The Coventry Mystery Plays" adapted by Keith Miles;

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Presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions

May 1980 - Aug 1981

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews:

"Coventry Mystery Plays"

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Presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions

Jun 1987 - Dec 1987

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews: "The Coventry Mystery Plays",
adapted by Keith Miles; Coventry Festival 1987

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Presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions

Jan 1987 - Mar 1989

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews:

Crisis in funding the Coventry Mystery Plays; David Suchet; Trevor Nunn

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Presscuttings - Belgrade Theatre productions

Jul 1990 - Dec 1990

[Belgrade Theatre] Reviews:

"The Coventry Mystery Plays 1990" adapted by Keith Miles (cast: Stephen Tindall,
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