

York City Archives & Special Collections

Box List for - YDV (Town Clerk's Papers) York Festival, 1951 : 25 boxes relating to the organisation of the Festival and the first 20th century production of the Mystery Plays, includes committee minutes, correspondence, photos and programmes.

These 25 boxes contain material covering the period 1947 – 1977.

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York Festival Board Meeting Minutes, March 1949 -June 1951

2 Files of General Correspondence:

- 1) 11.12.1947-17.8.1949
- 2) 17.8.1949-2.11.1950
- 3) 6.11.1950-31.12.1951

Opening Service at Minster, and Lunch

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Original announcement and Festival Committee Agenda

Outline Policy and Plans, First Thoughts (includes programme of Edinburgh Festival 1949

Memorandum & Articles of Association of York 5.10.1949 and amendments

Appointment of Mr Keith Thompson as Festival Director

Applications and Suggestions

Administration: Staff and Catering

Financial Estimates

Visit of Royalty

Festival Programme - draft, sales and receipts

Art Gallery Exhibition of Masterpieces of Yorkshire Houses, opening ceremony

Architectural works: Flats at Castlegate and Paragon Street

Furnishing of Flats

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Visit of Lord Mayors and Mayors from Toronto, Pennsylvania, New York,

Boston, Bremen, Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Sheffield and Huddersfield

Correspondence with Northern Command, and other Yorkshire Festivals

Seating Plans

Mansion House Dinner 3.6.1951, Lunch & Dinner 5.6.1951, Dinner 7.6.1951

Dinner 8.6.1951, Lunch & Supper 9.6.1951, Dinner 14.6.1951, Lunch 15.6.1951

Dinner 16.6.1951

Summary of Invitations

Georgian Ball, Assembly Rooms, 15.6.1951

Pavillion d'Or Cruise

Festival Club, Assembly Rooms, Invitations for 7.10 1951 and 13.6.1951

Costumes

Sunday, Childrens' and General Entertainments

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Publicity - Advance Leaflets and Souvenir Programmes
Academic Development Committee
General Correspondence June 1951 - December 1952
Chairman's Report
Transcript of Artistic Director's Report
Festival of Britain 1951 - Minutes, Reports, Catalogue of Activities
and late information, 1949

IRRELEVANT MATTER:
Royal Aero Club Rules
Royal Visits to York, 1948 and 1949
Resolutions & Proceedings of York City Council, 1947 and 1948

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NEWSPAPERS: Articles, Reports and Photographs

4.6.1951:

Yorkshire Post, ppl & 6;
Northern Echo, ppl & 3-4;
Yorkshire Evening Press, ppl,5, 6-7;
Yorkshire Evening Post, pie;
Yorkshire Evening
News, p3;
Daily Herald, p5

5.6.1951

Yorkshire Evening Post, ppl & 7;
Yorkshire Evening Press, ppl-5;
News Chronicle, p3;
Northern Echo, PS; Yorkshire
Evening News, p1;
Yorkshire Post, p6

6.6.1951

Daily Mail, p5;
Yorkshire Evening News, p2;
Northern Echo, ppl,3 & 5;
Yorkshire Post, pp3 & 6

7.6.1951

Daily Graphic, pp6-7

9.6.1951 :

Northern Echo, p5;
Yorkshire Evening Post, pp3 & 5;

22.6.1951 :

Yorkshire Herald, pp6, 8-9;
Yorkshire Gazette, p5

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Press Cuttings, 1947-48
Yorkshire Evening Press, p1 York Plans for Festival of Arts
The Times, May 1951, Festival of Britain Supplement
The Tatler, 27.6.1951
The Sketch, 4.7.1951

DUPLICATES :

Invitation Cards, Programmes, Order of Opening Service

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Outline Plan for Festival, and amendments
23.10.1952, Yorkshire Evening Press cuttings : York Festival has paid Big Dividends / Mystery Plays not until 1954
Festival Board Meeting Minutes, 1953-59
General Correspondence, 1952-62

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Appointment of Artistic Director
Opening Service and Lunch, 13.6.1954
Notes for Stewards from Chamberlain's Office
Sunday Times, 13.6.1954, p10, The Play's the Thing
Programmes
Seating Plans for Minster, Mystery Plays and Art Gallery
Specimen of Poster
Festival Ball, 16.6.1954
Loan of Costumes
Visit of Caravan Club to Festival
Participation of Military
Festival Club, Assembly Rooms -Catering
Financial - Income and Expenditure
Closing Ceremony and Party
6 Items from Mrs J Gyford :
1) York Cycle of Mystery Plays
2) Programme
3) Love in a Village / A Dinner Engagement, Theatre Royal, 29 June and 1-3 July
4) Visit to York, Programme, 30 June - 2 July
5) Joseph O'Connor as Jesus and 6) The Three Temptations
Art Gallery Catalogue - English Mediaeval Alabaster Carvings
'An Entertainment' by English Opera Group, Theatre Royal, 3.7.1954
Organ Recital by Fernando Germani, Minster, 15.6.1954
Folk Songs of Many Lands, Engel Lund, Merchant Adventurer's Hall, 15.6.54

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Proposals for a Season of Mystery Plays
Report of Festival Board
Financial Estimates
Entertainment for Festival Helpers
Costume Designs
Dinner and Luncheon Invitation Cards, 1954 and 1957

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Outline Plan and Suggestions for 1957 Festival
Opening Service, Minster, 23.6.1957
Financial Estimates
Special Sub-Committee Minutes, January - June 1957
Programmes
Organized Outdoor Events
Seating Plans, Minster and Mystery Plays
Agreement with Theatre Royal, for use of Museum Gardens and Tempest Anderson Hall
Administration: Staffing
Official Badges
Festival Floodlighting
Complimentary Tickets
Artists' Publicity
BBC, TV Broadcast, 30.6.1957
Arts Council of GB, guarantee
Assembly Rooms and Festival Club
Distinguished Visitors
Closing Ceremony
Reports of Public Relations Officer and Front House Manager

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24.6.1957,
Lunch at Mansion House for French Ambassador - List of Invited Guests, Invitation and Menu Cards, Correspondence

28.6.1957,
Dinner at Mansion House for Mr & Mrs H Gaitskell - List of Invited Guests, Invitation and Menu Cards etc.

3.7.1957,
Supper at Mansion House to Meet Arts Council of GB

4 July 1957,
Visit of Munster Delegation - Reception and Luncheons/Supper at Mansion House and at Festival Club, Guest Lists, Invitation and Menu Cards etc.

10.7.1957,
Royal Visit to Festival -Official Programme, Plan of York Station, Reception and Presentations at Assembly Rooms, Dinner at Mansion House (Guest Lists, Seating Plan, Invitation and Menu Cards), Mystery Plays - Seating Plan, Presentation of Actors

13.7.1957,
Dinner at Mansion House for Princess Royal - Guest Lists, Invitation and Menu Cards, Correspondence
Replies from Yorkshire Towns
General Correspondence

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Newspapers and Press Cuttings:

11.7.1957,

Daily Mail, pp 3 & 10; Daily Express, p.2; Yorkshire Post, pp.7 & 9; Yorkshire Evening Press Festival Issue; Yorkshire Life, June

1957,

Festival Issue; Municipal Review, July 1957, pp.244-5

Poster for Yorkshire Heritage Exhibition, St William's College, 24 June-13 July 1957

6 Photographic Postcards

Artists Publicity Programmes

Art Gallery Catalogue, Art from Burgundy

Various English Guides/Tours

Duplicate Programmes, Invitation and Menu Cards

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First 10 Years, 1951 - 1961

Outline Plan for 1960 Festival

Financial Estimates

Agreement with Theatre Royal

Board Meeting Minutes, June 1960 - November 1961

Schedule of Programmes

Appointment of Mystery Plays Producer

Opening Service, Minster, 12/6.1960

Complimentary Tickets

Luncheon for Civic Heads of Yorkshire / Seating Plan, Guest Lists

Visit of Munster Delegation, 19-26.6.1960

Festival Club, Assembly Rooms

Replies from Yorkshire Towns

BBC TV Broadcast

Northern Waterways Association Boat Rally, 22—28.6.1960

Festival Poster and Seating Plans for Minster and Abbey Grounds

Artists' Publicity - Photographs and Transparencies

General Correspondence

Re-Opening of Guildhall by HM Queen Mother, 21.6.1960, Photographs and Correspondence

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Opening Service Programme, Minster, 12.6.1960

York Cycle of Mystery Plays

Artists' Publicity

Invitation and Menu Cards

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Outline of 1963 Festival
Opening Service, Minster, 16.6.1963
Programmes and Seating Plans
Artists' Publicity
Appointment of Artistic Director
Specifications for Structural Designs in connection with Plays
Visit of Royalty
Use of Museum Gardens, Assembly Rooms, Guildhall
Complimentary Tickets
Distinguished Guests
Visit of Munster Delegation, 2-6.7.1963
BBC TV Broadcast
Festival Expenditure
Arts Council of GB, guarantee
Correspondence re: Use of St Olav's Churchyard, 1957-59
Transport, West Yorkshire Road Car Co Ltd
Festival Club — Licensing and Dinners, 5, 15, & 19.6.1963
Spare/Returned Tickets
Letters of Appreciation/Complaint
'Who's Where in the Festival' Leaflets
Accommodation List
Yorkshire Life Illustrated, June 1963, York and the Festival

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Specifications for Structural Designs / Construction of stands for plays
Appointment of Artistic Director - and controversy
Board Meeting Minutes, 10.2.1965 - 14.12.1966
Opening Service, Minster, 12.6.1966
Programmes and Artists' Publicity
St Mary's Lodge, use of
Agreement with Theatre Royal
Use of Assembly Rooms, Museum Gardens, Tempest Anderson Hall etc.
Festival Club and Coffee House Catering
Distinguished Guests
Complimentary Tickets
Georgian Ball, 21.6.1966
Financial Estimates
Transport
Wardrobe

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Arts Council Meeting, 17.5.1965
Advertising Material
York Junior Chamber of Commerce - Proposals for Improvement of Festival
NEWSPAPERS and Press Cuttings: Yorkshire Evening Press, 1966
General Correspondence
'Who's Where in the Festival' Leaflet

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DUPLICATE Copies of York Mystery Plays:
'The Flood', 1966
'Christ before the Elders', 1960
'The Exodus', 1957

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Appointment of Joint/Vice Presidents
Appointment of Co-Opted Members
Sub Committee Reports, Minutes etc
Royal Visitors
Distinguished Guests
Use of Minster, Assembly Rooms, Museum Gardens, University Halls, Race
Course Stand 6 and Rowntree Theatre
Erection of Stands
Opening Service, Minster

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Visit of Munster Delegation
Cast Lists
Childrens' Chorus, Applications
Complimentary Tickets
Artists' Fees
Staff - appointments etc.
Finance Estimates
Booking Office Accounts

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Festival Ball
Transport, West Yorkshire Road Car Co Ltd
University Room Bookings
York Cycle of Mystery Plays, leaflets
BBC Radio Broadcast
Festival Exhibitions
Cash Receipts
Adverts - 'Window Shopping'
Printing Costs
Press Cuttings, 1969
List of Invited Guests to Concert in Aid

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General Correspondence, 1965 - 1971
Miscellaneous Papers
Officers' Badges
Cash / Order Books
Festival Artists' Address Book

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Camera Script : "Stage by Stage, Pageant Wagon to Citizens Theatre
1954; Radio Times, January 20-26 1957 and Corresp. 23.1 – 13.6.57
Production of Plays by Outside Bodies, April 1955 to September 1973
Loan/Hire of Costumes
General Correspondence, 1970, an 1973-77
New Translation of Mystery Plays 1971-72 and Legal Contract
Festival Committee Co-Opted Members, May 1971 – August 1972
Royalties in respect of Mystery Plays Photographs
Appointment of Mr Henderson as Organiser 1.5.1972
Designs for a Festival Motif
1972 Festival Index
Programme of Concert at Treasure's House 9.8.1974
Appointment of Vice Presidents
Contract for Musical Performance by children
Licensing of Performances
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Yorkshire Arts Association - grant
Programme
Use of Museum Gardens & ST Olave's Church Hall
Gala and Lord Mayor's Parade, 23.6. - 1.7.1973
Arts Council of GB - grant
Music Sub-Committee, Year Book
Wexford Festival Opera for York
Agreement with Ken Colyer - Jazzband
Proposals for 1976 Festival
Furness Mystery Plays, 1961
Dorchester Abbey Festival, 1965
5th Harrogate Festival, 1970
"Visual Education". June 1957
"The Golden Shore" (Accra), January 1963

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York Cycle of Mystery' Plays & Festival
'From Minster to Market Place', Canon Purvis 1964
Postcard Photographs