Saint Louis Municipal Opera

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1953-1954

A Finding Aid
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Arrangement:

The *Saint Louis Municipal Opera collection* consists of playbills and souvenir books from the 1953-1954 seasons, as well as various ephemera related to the performances. The collection is divided up into playbills, souvenir programs, and miscellaneous items.

The playbill and program listings are taken from the seasonal listings in the playbills, hence those performances for which a booklet is lacking will be listed in the order in which the season progressed.

The visual materials consist of panoramic views of the theater during an evening production, and 12 stills from six productions in the years 1953-1954. A letter from William Zalken, director of public relations for the theater, to Mrs. Henry (Marguerite) McAneny, dated Aug. 7, 1953, is included; the collection was a gift of Mr. Zalken.
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I. Program magazines

1953: In order of production:

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1. Up in Central Park
2. Bloomer girl
3. Cyrano de Bergerac
4. Rio Rita
5. Blossom time
6. Rip Van Winkle
7. No, no, Nannette
8. Carmen
9. One touch of Venus
10. [Bitter sweet – no program]
11. [Kiss me Kate – no program]

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I. Program magazines

1954: In order of production:

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2. The new moon
3. Song of Norway
4. Roberta
5. The Mikado
6. Gentlemen prefer blondes
7. The three musketeers
8. Panama Hattie
9. Where’s Charley
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II. Souvenir programs

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III. Miscellaneous

Press releases for:

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1. Two panoramic black and white photographs of the theater with audience. Stamped “Charles Treft’s Photography … St. Louis, Mo.” on verso.
2. Panoramic photograph of theater cut from program.
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