

Senate House Library Guides

Theatre Studies



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PRINTED COLLECTIONS

Collection overview

The Library has very good holdings in theatre studies, which can be found across the Library's collections. Collection strengths include:

- Historical coverage of UK theatre from the medieval period onwards
- Critical and theoretical coverage of the theatre
- Performance art and theory
- Practical aspects of stagecraft
- Works by and about English dramatists
- Works by and about Romance language, US and Latin American dramatists

Collection location

- Historical, theoretical and critical works about theatre are located in the **FILM and MEDIA collection (5th floor, South Block)**. The catalogue would read: FILM & MEDIA South Block 5th floor (3) YX3 Bro
- Works by and about English dramatists are located in the **ENGLISH Collection 6th floor, South Block**. The catalogue would read: ENGLISH 6th floor south block (3) YHGC 2001
- Material about the theatre is also located within the area collections of Latin American Studies and United States Studies
- Most periodicals are located on the periodicals open shelves (PS) through the Institute of Classical studies Library, **3rd floor, South Block**, with recent issues in the **Goldsmiths' Library on the 4th floor, South Block**
- Some items are held in the closed access stacks. These will display the location **Stack Service**. Please ask at Issue Desk, 4th floor, South Block.
- Dictionaries and other reference works are also located in the **Reference Collection, Goldsmiths' Library, 4th Floor, South Block**
- To locate individual titles use the online catalogue

Related collections

- The main literature collections – English, French, Germanic, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, Latin American and United States Studies
- Film, media and television studies
- The DVD collection consists of over 1000 films and operas, these can be obtained from the **Information Desk, 4th Floor, South Block**
- Within Special Collections:
 - The Harry Price Library of Magical Literature holds material on illusion and early moving images
 - The Malcolm Morley Library holds material on all aspects of nineteenth and early twentieth century theatre, particularly theatre history and stagecraft

ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Electronic resources can be accessed from the Information Centre and the Digital Resources centre (4th floor) where printing is provided. Many are also available from other PCs in the Library and can be accessed off-site by Library members. Please check our web pages for access information: www.urls.lon.ac.uk/resources/databaseauth.asp

Databases

Databases containing material of interest in this subject area include:

- Academic Search Complete
- PsycARTICLES; PsycEXTRA; PsycINFO (for psychodrama; drama therapy)
- International Index to Performing Arts
- Shakespeare Collection
- LION: Literature Online
- Times Digital Archive
- MLA International Bibliography
- World Shakespeare Bibliography Online

See our subject information web pages for details of more research tools of relevance to your subject, as well as further collection and gateway information:

www.shl.lon.ac.uk/subjects

Electronic Journals

Search for specific electronic journal titles on the catalogue

Web resources

Other electronic resources can be found via the Internet Resources tab <http://www.shl.lon.ac.uk/subjects/theatrestudies/gateways.shtml> . There are many useful resources for theatre researchers, for example the UK Performing Arts academic gateway www.backstage.ac.uk.

OTHER LIBRARIES

For more information about Theatre Studies holdings in other academic libraries in the London area, please consult the M25 Consortium of Higher Education Libraries website: www.m25lib.ac.uk. For elsewhere in the UK, consult the Consortium of University and Research Libraries catalogue: www.copac.ac.uk.

CONTACT DETAILS

For further help, the subject librarian is Martin Hodgson, tel: 020 7862 8421, email: martin.hodgson@london.ac.uk or visit the Information Desk (4th floor, South Block), tel: 020 7862 8461, or email: shl.enquiries@london.ac.uk

Classmarks for Theatre Studies

All classmarks in this collection have a numerical prefix of 3 eg: FILM & MEDIA South Block 5th floor (3) YX3ed Man

Theatre studies	YX–YXO
History of British theatre	YX3e
Stage design	YXL
Acting	YXM
Media studies (general)	YZ
History of broadcasting	YZA
Radio broadcasting	YZB
Television studies	YZD
English literature (general)	YB–YS
Medieval	YD
Shakespeare	YH
Nineteenth century	YM–O
Twentieth century	YP–Q
Twenty-first century	YR