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Abstract

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Creator

Bosworth, Francis

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0.5 Linear Feet (1 box)

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Biographical Information

Francis Bosworth was born in St. Paul Minnesota on November 6, 1904. He attended the University of Minnesota before moving to New York City in 1929. In New York he was the author of several plays, the Head of the Drama Department of the New College at Columbia, and was the Director of the National Play Bureau of the Federal Theatre Project.

The Federal Theatre Project was a division of the Works Progress Administration (WPA), which provided employment for large numbers of artists, writers, and performers during the Great Depression (1929-1939). The Federal Theatre began in 1935 and, until its end in 1939, flourished as the first and only federally sponsored and subsidized theater program in the United States. Directed by Hallie Flanagan (1880-1969), it was a way for theatrical professionals to gain employment during the Depression.

Scope and Content

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Related Material

The Works Progress Administration oral histories collection, the Federal Theatre Project collection, the Federal Theatre Project photograph collection, as well as numerous other personal papers.

Keywords

Theater -- United States
New Deal, 1933-1939
Federal Theatre Project (U.S.)

Arrangement

This collection is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

Description of Subordinate Components

Francis Bosworth papers

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/85957

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Correspondence between Bosworth and Temple University

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Correspondence between Bosworth and RCA

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Unit Date 1939

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Scope and Content

Victory co-plan

Federal Theatre Project

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Unit Date March 20, 1938

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Scope and Content

Christ in Concrete radio script

Federal Theatre Project

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/85961

Unit Date 1936-1938

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

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Scope and Content

Correspondence and memorandums (original and photocopies)

Federal Theatre Project

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Unit Date 1936-1939

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Scope and Content

Correspondence, assignments, papers

Federal Theatre Project

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Unit Date 1937

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Content

National youth administration letters

Federal Theatre Project

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Unit Date 1936-1938

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Scope and Content

Newspaper clippings

Federal Theatre Project,

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Scope and Content

Pittsburgh theatre; It Can't Happen Here; 80,000 theatres article

Historical Society of Pennsylvania speech

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National Council of Teachers of English 27th annual meeting

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/85967

Unit Date November 1937

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

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Synopsis of Rachel Davis DuBois's autobiography

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Unit Date March 1982

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

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Personal papers and correspondence relating to non Federal Theatre Project employment

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Report of an experiment: Documentary playwriting as a technique of intercultural education

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World's Fair - American common

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