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Abstract

Content warning: Racist imagery. This collection contains posters promoting the American National Theatre and Academy (ANTA)-sponsored production of the Gershwin opera "Porgy and Bess" as it toured various countries - mostly European - during the mid-1950s. It also contains poster mock-ups and artwork related to the production.

Creator

George Mason University. Special Collections Research Center.

Extent

84 posters; poster mock-ups and artwork

Physical Location

Map cases 10.1 - 10.2

Repository

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Historical Note

"Porgy and Bess" is a 1934 American "folk opera" by George and Ira Gershwin, based on the play "Porgy" by Dorothy Heyward, which was itself an adaptation of the novel "Porgy and Bess" by DuBose Heyward. The opera tells the story of Porgy, a disabled Black man living in Catfish Row, a slum of Charleston, South Carolina. Porgy encounters Bess, a Black woman wishing to escape an abusive relationship with her lover, Crown, and her drug dealer, Sportin' Life. The two eventually begin living together and fall in love, with many consequences ensuing. "Porgy and Bess" is considered a classic of American opera and is performed to this day.

From its premiere, "Porgy and Bess" was controversial, mostly for the story's treatment of Black characters and perpetuating racial stereotypes. It was overall a commercial failure and met with little critical success. In 1942 a Broadway revival brought it back to the American public's attention, and the opera began to receive success, which cemented it as a cultural touchstone. Eventually a large European tour was undertaken by Robert Breen and Blevins Davis of ANTA, which lasted from 1952 - 1956, to monumental success. The tour visited 89 cities and 29 countries. The opera's performance in the Soviet Union was considered the first cultural exchange post-World War II between the U.S. and the Soviet Union. The production eventually toured the United States, also to great success.

Scope and Content

Content warning: Racist imagery. This collection contains posters promoting the ANTA-sponsored production of "Porgy and Bess" as it toured various countries, mostly European, during the mid-1950s. It also includes poster mock-ups, drawings, and art related to the production.

Related Material

The Special Collections Research Center also holds the [Robert and Wilva Breen papers](#) and the [Porgy and Bess letter from James Tipton](#).

The New York Public Library, Archives and Manuscripts Division holds the [Porgy and Bess collection](#), which has materials from the United States ANTA tour.

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Arrangement

The posters are arranged alphabetically by country and city where they were performed.

Description of Subordinate Components

Austria - Vienna - Wochenspielplan Der Wiener Buhnen (Weekly Schedule of the Viennese Stages)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151924

Unit Date September 7 - 11, 1952

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Large ad page, brown background, middle ad for "Porgy and Bess." Size: 33.75" x 48".

Austria - Vienna - Wochenspielplan Der Wiener Buhnen (Weekly Schedule of the Viennese Stages)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151925

Unit Date September 7, 1952

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Large ad page, brown background, middle right ad for "Porgy and Bess." Size: 34" x 48".

Austria - Vienna - Coming Attractions V.M.P. Special Service...in Vienna

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151926

Unit Date September 6 - 13, 1952

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

English. White background, blue and red lettering with musical and star design at top. Seemingly made for Americans abroad. Size: 27.5" x 39.5".

Austria - Vienna - Volksoper Wien (Vienna Volksoper)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/180403

Unit Date September 9, 1952

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (folder)

Scope and Content

German. Mounted poster, white (now brown) with black lettering. Size: 17" x 23.75" (small).

Belgium - Antwerp - Hippodrome Theatre (Hippodroom - Antwerpen)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151927

Unit Date June 23 - 30, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Flemish. Vertical; black background with yellow lettering; white squares with black lettering; white border. Size: 22" x 14.25" (small). Two copies.

Belgium - Antwerp - Hippodrome Theatre (Hippodroom - Antwerpen)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151928

Unit Date June 23 - 30, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Flemish. Black background with white squares and black lettering; large bright yellow lettering in the middle of "Porgy and Bess." Size: 31" x 96". Two copies.

Belgium - Brussels - Theatre de la Monnaie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151929

Unit Date June 16 - 21, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Black background with white squares and black lettering; off white border; large lemon yellow letters in middle; yellow square at top with black lettering. Size: 23.5" x 32.5".

Belgium - Brussels - Theatre de la Monnaie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151930

Unit Date June 16 - 21, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Black background, white boxes with black text, bright yellow letters. Size: 14.5" x 22" (small). Two copies.

Belgium - Brussels - Theatre de la Monnaie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151931

Unit Date March 25 - 31, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Black background, white boxes with black text, bright green letters. Size: 23.5" x 32.5".

Belgium - Brussels - Theatre de la Monnaie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151932

Unit Date March 25 - 31, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Black background, white boxes with black text, bright green letters. Size: 14.5" x 22" (small).

Belgium - Brussels - Theatre de la Monnaie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151933

Unit Date March 25 - 31, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Large horizontal, black background, white boxes with black text, bright green letters. Size: 30.5" x 93".

Brazil - Rio de Janeiro - Teatro Municipal

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151934

Unit Date July 6 - 13, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Brazilian Portuguese. Four pieces; bright red background with off white border and white lettering inside of it. Size: 60" x 92". Two copies.

Czech Republic - Prague - Kerlin Theatre

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151935

Unit Date February 11 - 19, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Czech. Wash out off-white background' small black lettering, larger bold red lettering; on left side square with words "Porgy and Bess." Size: 24" x 34". Two copies.

Denmark - Aarhus - Aarhus-Hallen

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151936

Unit Date May 9 - 16, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Danish. White background in middle with lime green lettering and black writing; black and white photographs taken from characters and scenes of the play act as the border. Size: 24" x 33.25". Two copies.

Egypt - Alexandria - Theatre Mohamed Aly**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151937**Unit Date** December 31, 1954 - January 1, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. White background; blue border with white stars, blue and red letters. Size: 36" x 47". Two copies.

Egypt - Cairo - Theatre de l'Opera**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151938**Unit Date** January 7 - 12, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French, Egyptian Arabic. White background, blue star border, blue and red lettering, Egyptian Arabic words at top. Size: 35" x 44.5".

France - Marseille - Opera Municipal**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151939**Unit Date** March 26 - April 4, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Off-white background, red and blue lettering. Size: 12" x 18". Three copies.

France - Marseille - Opera de Marseille**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151940**Unit Date** March 26, circa 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Purple background with white lettering. Size: 36" x 53". Two copies.

France - Unknown city (likely Paris)**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151941**Unit Date** circa 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Horizontal black with white lettering, introductory text only. Size: 13" x 47". Two copies.

France - Paris - Theatre de l'Empire**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151942**Unit Date** February 16 - March 1, 1953**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Green background with black and white lettering. Size: 16" x 24" (small). Two copies.

France - Paris - Theatre de l'Empire**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151943**Unit Date** September 27 - December 4, 1954**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Vertical, dark green background with white border, large bold black letters. Size: 16" x 23" (small). Two copies.

France - Paris - Theatre de l'Empire**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151944**Unit Date** September 30 - December 4, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Vertical, dark green background with white border, large bold black letters. Size: 5.25" x 8.25" (small).

France - Paris - Theatre de l'Empire**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151945**Unit Date** September 30 - December 4, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Horizontal, dark green background with white border, large bold black letters. Size: 31.5" x 47.

France - Paris - Theatre de l'Empire**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151946**Unit Date** September 30 - December 4, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Large, vertical dark green background with black and white lettering. Size: 37.5" x 59". Two copies.

France - Paris - Theatre de l'Empire**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151947**Unit Date** September 30 - December 4, 1956**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

French. Large, horizontal dark green background with black and white lettering, white border. Size: 46" x 92".

Germany - Berlin - Titania-Palast**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151948**Unit Date** September 17 - 28, 1952**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. Off-white background, with blue sketch-like illustration of village; magenta and black lettering through the center. Size: 24" x 33". Two copies.

Germany - Berlin - Berliner Festwochen (Berlin Festival Weeks)**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151949**Unit Date** September 20 - 18, 1952**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. Beige background, black and red lettering. Size: 23.5" x 33". Middle bottom "Porgy and Bess" ad for Titania Palast performance.

Germany - Dusseldorf - Apollo-Theater**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151950**Unit Date** November 18 - 23, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. Lemon yellow background with orange border on the top and bottom; orange and black lettering. Size: 23.5" x 33.5". Two copies.

Germany - Dusseldorf - Apollo-Theater**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151951**Unit Date** November 18 - 23, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. White background with black lettering; blue patch with Porgy and Bess written in yellow in the middle. Size: 23.5" x 33.5". Two copies.

Germany - Frankfurt - Stadtischen Buhnen Frankfurt**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151952**Unit Date** November 25 - 27, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. White background with black lettering, blue patch of color in middle with "Porgy and Bess" written in yellow.

Germany - Frankfurt - Stadtischen Buhnen Frankfurt**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151953**Unit Date** November 25 - 27, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. Beige background, gold/beige lettering top and bottom, blue bars with white lettering at top and middle. Size: 16" x 23".

Germany - Frankfurt - Stadtischen Buhnen Frankfurt**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151954**Unit Date** November 25 - 27, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

German. Light yellow background; black border on sides; red border on top and bottom and orange

lettering. Size: 24.25" x 33.5". Two copies.

Germany - Hamburg - Hamburgische Staatsoper

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151955

Unit Date March 7 - 12, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Brick colored border surrounding off-white background; brick colored lettering. Size: 23" x 33".

Germany - Munich - Deutsches Theater

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151956

Unit Date December 1 - 6, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Black and white background with large neon yellow, black, and white lettering. Size: 33.5" x 47". Three copies.

Germany - Munich - Deutsches Theater

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151957

Unit Date February 22 - 28, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Two pieces, bright red background with neon yellow lettering reading "Porgy and Bess" across the front. Size: 33.5" x 47". Two copies.

Germany - Stuttgart - Staatsoper Stuttgart

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151958

Unit Date March 2 - 4, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Two pieces, black background with large neon yellow lettering in the middle. Size: 33.5" x 47". Two copies.

Greece - Athens - Unknown theatre

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151959

Unit Date circa 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Greek. Mounted poster, illustrating in blue, yellow, green, with white lettering. Size: 14" x 19" (small). Two copies.

Israel - Tel Aviv - Habimah Theatre (Habimah Hall)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151960

Unit Date January 26 - 30, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Hebrew. White background, red and blue lettering. Size: 25" x 37.25". Two copies.

Italy - Florence - Teatro Comunale

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151961

Unit Date March 9 - 13, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Vertical, off white background with red and black lettering. Size: 13" x 27" (small). Three copies.

Italy - Florence - Teatro Comunale

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151962

Unit Date March 9 - 13, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Mustard yellow background with black lettering, red lettering in upper half, two purple stamp like pictures on lower left part. Size: 27.5" x 39.5". Two copies.

Italy - Genoa - Teatro Carlo Felice

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151963

Unit Date March 1 - 6, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Vertical, beige background with brown and red lettering, has a shield like emblem border at top. Size: 14" x 40". Two copies.

Italy - Genoa - Teatro Carlo Felice

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151964

Unit Date March 1 - 6, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Vertical, beige background with black lettering, has a shield like emblem border at top. Size: 14" x 40".

Italy - Milan - Teatro all Scala

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151965

Unit Date February 22 - 27, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Light brown, emblem decoration at top border. Size: 27.5" x 39.5". Two copies.

Italy - Milan - Teatro all Scala

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151966

Unit Date February 22 - 27, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Light brown, emblem decoration at top border, in three pieces. Size: 39.5" x 79".

Italy - Milan - Teatro all Scala

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151967

Unit Date February 22 - 27, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Light brown, emblem decoration at top border. Size: 10.5" x 15" (small). Three copies.

Italy - Naples - Teatro di San Carlo

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151968

Unit Date February 15 - 17, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright blue background with a yellow and green illustration of village, white border, white lettering. Size: 27.5" x 39.5". Two copies.

Italy - Naples - Teatro di San Carlo

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151969

Unit Date February 15 - 17, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright yellow background, black and red lettering. Size: 38" x 52". Two copies.

Italy - Naples - Teatro di San Carlo

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151970

Unit Date February 15 - 17, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright yellow background, black lettering, red lettering at top. Size: 26" x 38". Two copies.

Italy - Naples - Teatro di San Carlo

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151971

Unit Date February 15 - 17, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Black background yellow lettering and drawing. Size: 24.5" x 37".

Italy - Naples - Teatro di San Carlo

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151972

Unit Date February 15 - 17, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright mustard yellow background, brown border, red and brown lettering. Size: 13" x 22" (small). Three copies.

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151973

Unit Date April 21 - May 14, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright yellow background, black and red lettering. Size: 40" x 55". Two copies.

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151974

Unit Date April 21 - May 14, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright yellow background, black and red lettering. Size: 53" x 80".

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151975

Unit Date April 21 - May 14, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Vertical, blue background with black and red lettering. Size: 14" x 39.5". Two copies.

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151976

Unit Date April 21 - May 14, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Brown and red lettering, yellow background. Size: 28" x 39.5".

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151977

Unit Date April 21 - May 14, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Bright yellow with black and red lettering. Size: 39.5" x 55". Duplicate of second panel.

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151978

Unit Date April 21 - May 14, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Vertical, yellow background with black and red lettering. Size: 14" x 39.5". Two copies.

Italy - Rome - Teatro delle Quattro Fontane**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151979**Unit Date** April 21 - May 14, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Italian. Four panels, one duplicate of last panel. Green and bright yellow ombre background, large red lettering, black lettering at bottom. Size: 55" x 79".

Italy - Turin - Teatro Alfieri**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151980**Unit Date** April 9 - 13, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Italian. Vertical, off white, pink illustration of a lady in the background. Size: 13" x 28" (small). Two copies.

Italy - Turin - Teatro Alfieri**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151981**Unit Date** April 9 - 13, 1955**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Italian. Pink and yellow illustration with black lettering. Size: 26" x 38". Two copies.

Italy - Venice - Teatro La Fenice**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151982**Unit Date** September 22 - 25, 1954**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Italian. Red background with half facial photo of George Gershwin in upper right, racist caricature illustration on left. Size: 28" x 40". Two copies.

Italy - Venice - Teatro La Fenice**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151983**Unit Date** September 22 - 25, 1954**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Italian. Long, vertical, yellow background with red lettering. Size: 14" x 40".

Italy - Venice - Teatro La Fenice**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/151984**Unit Date** September 22 - 25, 1954**Mixed Materials** Map Case (Box)**Container** 10.2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Italian. Long, vertical, blue background, with red and black lettering. Size: 14" x 40". Two copies.

Italy - Venice - Teatro La Fenice

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151985

Unit Date September 22 - 25, 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Long, vertical, white background, with red and black lettering. Size: 14" x 40". Two copies.

Italy - Venice - Teatro La Fenice

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151986

Unit Date September 22 - 25, 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Large, off white, red and black lettering. Size: 40" x 52".

Italy - Venice - Teatro La Fenice

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151987

Unit Date September 22 - 25, 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Italian. Long, vertical, pink background, with red and black lettering. Size: 14" x 40".

Netherlands - Amsterdam - [Royal] Theater Carre

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151988

Unit Date May 19 - June 3, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Dutch. White border, black lettering within white squares, yellow squares with black lettering, bright yellow lettering in middle. Size: 33.5" x 47". Two copies.

Netherlands - Rotterdam - Luxor Theater

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151989

Unit Date April 13 - 19, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Dutch. Black background and yellow lettering. Size: 23" x 34".

Peru - Lima - Teatro Municipal

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151990

Unit Date September 3-6, circa 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Spanish. Brown background, black lettering. Size: 33.5" x 50". Two copies.

Poland - Warsaw - Opery w Warszawie (State Opera House in Warsaw)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151991

Unit Date January 26 - February 1, 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Polish. White background, blue and red lettering. Size: 28" x 40". Two copies.

Poland - Warsaw

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151992

Unit Date January 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Polish. Purple background, multicolored squares, with drawn figure. Size: 26" x 39".

Spain - Barcelona - Gran Teatre del Liceu

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151993

Unit Date February 3 - 6, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Spanish. Large, off white with brown and red lettering, branch style border with leaves on it. Size: 34.5" x 49.5". Two copies.

Switzerland - Lausanne - Theatre de Beaulieu

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151994

Unit Date March 16 - 20, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Washed out yellow background with black and red lettering, bold red lettering in middle. Size: 36" x 50". Two copies.

Switzerland - Lausanne - Theatre de Beaulieu

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151995

Unit Date March 16 - 20, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. Washed out yellow background with black and red lettering, bold red lettering in middle. Size: 14" x 28" (small). Three copies.

Switzerland - Zurich - Hallenstadion

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151996

Unit Date June 3 - 12, 1955

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Scope and Contents

German. Light green background with painted color figures of Porgy and Bess, black sketch of village, blue lettering on top. Size: 35.5" x 50". Two copies.

Switzerland - Zurich - Hallenstadion

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151997

Unit Date June 3 - 12, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

German. Light green background with painted color figures of Porgy and Bess, black sketch of village, blue lettering on top. Size: 11.5" x 20" (small). Three copies.

Switzerland - Unknown city

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151998

Unit Date circa 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French. White background, red border, white and red lettering. Possible produced by newspaper Hebdomadaire Romand. Size: 13.75" x 20" (small).

United States - Chicago - Chicago Civic Opera House

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/151999

Unit Date June 25, 1952

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

English. Two shades of orange background, black and white lettering, illustration of couple dancing in middle, both posters mounted on board. Size: 14" x 20" (small). Two copies.

United States - New York - Ziegfeld Theatre

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152000

Unit Date circa 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

English. Red background, black and red lettering, mounted on board. Size: 14" x 22" (small).

United States - New York - Ziegfeld Theatre

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152001

Unit Date circa 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

English. Red background, black and red lettering (same design as previous poster), only bottom panel available. Size: 29" x 41".

USSR/Russia - Leningrad/St. Petersburg - Theater of the Palace of Culture

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152002

Unit Date December 26, 1955 - January 5, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Russia. White background, blue and red lettering. Size: 28.5" x 42.5". Two copies.

USSR/Russia - Moscow - Department of Culture of the Board of Massovet, Moskovsk Theaters

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152003

Unit Date January 11 - 20, 1956

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Russian. Ad poster, salmon pink, black lettering. Size: 30.5" x 44.5".

USSR/Russia - Unknown city (likely Leningrad) - People's Theatre schedule

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152004

Unit Date December 13 - 21, 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Russian. Light brown background, red and black lettering with "Porgy and Bess" on schedule. Size: 11.75" x 16.5" (small).

Yugoslavia/Croatia - Zagreb - Croatian National Theater

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152005

Unit Date December 11 - 14, 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Croatian. Beige background, purple and white lettering. Size: 28" x 39.5". Two copies.

Yugoslavia/Croatia - Zagreb - Croatian National Theater

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152006

Unit Date circa 1954

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Croatian. Beige background, black and red lettering. Size: 8.25" x 11.5" (small).

Unknown country and city (likely Cairo, Egypt) - Theatre de l'Opera

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152007

Unit Date January 7 - 12, 1955

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

French, English Egyptian Arabic (?). Tan background, red and black text. Size: 7.5" x 11" (small). Two copies.

Poster mock-ups and drawings

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/152008

Unit Date circa 1950s

Mixed Materials Map Case (Box)

Container 10.2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Multiple "Porgy and Bess" poster mock-ups, set/scene drawings, and copies of drawings. Included is a program for a Federal Theatre Project "Negro Unit" production of Macbeth.