

Buildings Ephemera Subject Files 1902-2012

Collection Summary

Creator: Intentionally assembled by Special Collections Division staff, beginning at an unknown date, probably in the late 1960s, and collected on an ongoing basis.

Title: Buildings Ephemera Subject Files

Inclusive Dates: 1902-2012

Summary/Abstract: Includes a variety of material relating to individual buildings in Nashville.

Physical Description/Extent: .1 cu. ft.

Language: In English.

Stack Location: Closed stacks workroom; closed stacks map room

Repository: Special Collections Division, Nashville Public Library, 615 Church St., Nashville, TN 37219

Scope and Contents of the Collection

Includes programs, brochures, reports, self-guided tours, a few building plans, and other documents concerning individual buildings in Nashville, spanning from 1902 to 2010. Some buildings are noted as tourist attractions, and their documentation is primarily in the format of tourist-oriented brochures. Quantity of materials ranges from a single item to several folders. Most folders contain less than five items, and often only a single item. Some items are photocopies.

Of special note among the materials are an architect's proposal, including renderings and specifications, for Capital City Towers, a commercial office building, to be built on the southeast corner of Union and 6th Ave. N. circa 1984; a claim for damages to the Davidson County courthouse filed against the U.S government for damages sustained during the Civil War, 1905; a detailed report from the Municipal Auditorium Commission, 1946; information about murals at the Sevier State Office Building, the State Capitol, and the Davidson County Courthouse; and plans for the YMCA building, 1909.

Organization/Arrangement of Materials

Arrangement: Alphabetical by building name.

Restrictions

Restrictions on Access: In library use only. Available by appointment.

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Index Terms

Corporate Names/Organizations:

Davidson County Court House (Nashville, Tenn.)
Davidson County Public Building and Court House (Nashville, Tenn.)
Metropolitan Courthouse (Nashville, Tenn.)
Nashville Municipal Auditorium (Tenn.)
Parthenon (Art museum : Nashville, Tenn.)
Ryman Auditorium (Nashville, Tenn.)
Young Men's Christian Association, Nashville

Subjects:

Architecture -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Architecture and tourism -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Art museums -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Buildings -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Central business districts -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Commercial buildings -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Historic buildings -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Motion picture theaters -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Mural painting and decoration, American -- Tennessee -- Nashville -- 20th century
Public architecture -- Tennessee -- Nashville
Public buildings -- Tennessee -- Nashville

Places:

Nashville (Tenn.) -- Buildings, structures, etc.
Nashville (Tenn.) -- History -- Sources
Tennessee -- Capital and capitol
United States -- History -- Civil War 1861-1865 -- Destruction & pillage --
Tennessee -- Nashville

Genre/Document Types:

Booklets
Brochures
Building plans
Manuscripts (document genres)
Pamphlets
Programs (documents)
Reports

Occupations:

Architects
Public officers

Separated Material

Some items may have been separated for storage to an oversize box, drawer, or the Nashville Room Photographs Collection. Separation notices have been used to indicate such removals.

Associated and Related Material

Related Material: Researchers may also wish to consult ephemera subject files in the following categories: Architecture; Homes.

Administrative Information

Copyright: This material may be protected by copyright law (Title 17 U.S. Code)

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Processing Information: Weeded by staff members Linda Barnickel and Carol Kaplan, 2003. Rehoused and reprocessed by staff member Linda Barnickel, 2005-2006; additions 2012. All actions part of overall ephemera subject files reprocessing project.

Accruals: Additional accruals are expected.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Belle Meade Theatre

Oversize Drawer BB-1, folder 1:

4 plans, 1980

Capital City Towers

Unidentified architect's proposal, including renderings and specs, ca. 1984

Cummins Station

Newsletter, 2010

Customs House

U.S Senate report to expand building, 1902

Davidson County Court House (3 folders)

1) Brochures, 1977, 1994, 2003

2) Pamphlet describing building and murals, 1937[?]; 65th anniversary pamphlet, 2002

3) Various brochures, 2003; Davidson Co. vs. U.S. for Civil War damages, 1905

Lindsley Hall

Invitation to portrait hanging of John B. Lindsley, 1983 (includes illustration of Lindsley Hall)

Municipal Auditorium

Report of Municipal Auditorium commission, 1946

Nashville Arena

Seating chart, 1996

Parthenon (4 folders)

- 1) Essays, 1926-1971
- 2) Brochures & guides, n.d., 2000-2009
- 3) Materials relating to reopening, 1988
- 4) "Athens of the South: William Bell Dinsmoor and the Design of the Nashville Parthenon" by Barbara Tsakirgis, 2012

Ryman Auditorium

Tourist brochures, 2004-2009

Schermerhorn Symphony Center

Special events planning services guide, 2009

Sevier State Office Building

Description of murals, ca. 1940

Southern Turf

Brochure, Trauger & Tuke, 2008

Tennessee State Capitol (3 folders)

- 1) Souvenir guides and booklets, ca. 1955-1971
- 2) Brochures, 1967-2006
- 3) Description of murals in governor's reception room (ca. 1940); Tennessee Historical Society commemoration of 100th anniversary of cornerstone, 1945

Tennessee Theater

Brochure, 1979

YMCA Building

Oversize – Rolled Plans, Map Room, Shelf 13:
Plans, Shattuck & Hussey, 1909