

**L DTSS**                      **Material relating to Spring Street Theatre  
and its predecessors**                      **1969-1991**

**Historical Background:** What became the Spring Street Theatre opened in 1970. Originally the the Hull Arts Centre it was renamed Humberside Theatre from April 1974. It was eventually renamed Spring Street Theatre in 1983. In 1983 the Hull Truck Company (established in 1972) took the premises and gave the theatre their name - the Hull Truck Theatre.

Originally seating for 200, it was later extended to 282 in single tiers on the three sides of the stage. It comprised of an agglomeration of buildings based around the former Methodist Hall which occupied the area.

The iconic blue-brick theatre remained until November 2011 when it was finally demolished. The Hull Truck Theatre as it had become known since 1983 relocated to Ferensway as a part of the St. Stephen's development with its first performance on 25 April 2009.

**Custodial history:** Deposited with Hull Local Studies Library prior to its relocation to the Hull History Centre in 2010.

**Description:** Programmes, posters play bills, reviews and miscellaneous correspondence. Note from the 1980s it is mainly programmes, play bills, posters and related material. Previously at L.706

**Arrangement** The material was deposited with Hull's Local Studies Library in chronological order, therefore this is reflected in the arrangement.

**Extent:** 9 boxes/ 1 linear meter

**Related material:** Items relating to the Hull Truck Theatre can be found at L DTHT. Please visit <https://catalogue.hullhistorycentre.org.uk/> for further details.

**Access conditions:** Access will be granted to any accredited reader

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| L DTSS/1 | Programmes, posters, play bills and reviews<br>Covering the years when it was the Hull Arts Centre. Note any undated material has been replaced in with L DTSS/2 1972-1973.<br>1 box | 1969-1971 |
| L DTSS/2 | Programmes, posters, play bills and reviews<br>Covering the years when it was the Hull Arts Centre. Includes undated material for the Hull Arts Centre.<br>1 box                     | 1972-1973 |
| L DTSS/3 | Programmes, posters, play bills and reviews<br>Covering the years when it was renamed Humberside Theatre. Also includes undated material for Humberside Theatre.<br>1 box            | 1974-1976 |

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| L DTSS/4 | Programmes, posters, play bills and related material<br>Covering the years when it was renamed Humberside Theatre. Note undated material in with L DTSS/3.<br>1 box | 1977-1979 |
| L DTSS/5 | Programmes, posters, play bills and related material<br>Covering the years when it was renamed Humberside Theatre. Undated material in with L DTSS/3.<br>1 box      | 1980-1982 |
| L DTSS/6 | Programmes, posters, play bills and related material<br>Covering the years when it became Spring Street Theatre.<br>1 box   | 1983-1986 |
| L DTSS/7 | Programmes, posters, play bills and related material<br>Covering the years when it became Spring Street Theatre.<br>1 box   | 1987      |
| L DTSS/8 | Programmes, posters, play bills and related material<br>Covering the years when it became Spring Street Theatre.<br>1 box   | 1988-1991 |
| L DTSS/9 | Miscellaneous Correspondence<br>Covering the years when it was Humberside Theatre.<br>1 box   | 1974-1978 |