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Peter Mannering fonds
Mannering, Peter, 1925-2000
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**Peter Mannering as “Mitch” from Totem Theatre’s 1952 production of
“A Streetcar Named Desire”
Peter Mannering fonds, photographic prints subseries, file 7.08
Photo by Eric Skipsley**

Fonds Level Description

Peter Mannering fonds -- ca.1934 – 1997 -- 2.8 metres of textual and other material

Peter Mannering (1925-2000) was born in Vancouver, BC. Mannering (spelling changed from Mainwaring in 1952) was an actor, director, and producer and, in the 1960s and 1970s, he was the leading theatre figure in Victoria, BC. He first became involved in theatre at North Vancouver High School and Mannering advanced his skills in the Pasadena Playhouse (Calif.) from 1945-1947. As a freelance actor and director in Canada and England from 1940s to 1961, Mannering was involved in hundreds of television and radio plays, stage plays and musical comedies. He worked with the CBC, the National Film board, the BBC, ITV, the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the Winnipeg Symphony Theatre. In Vancouver, his venues included: The Little Theatre, North Vancouver Community Players, Everyman Theatre, Theatre Under the Stars, the Canadian Players National Tour, and the Totem Theatre (Vancouver and Victoria). From 1961-1963 he was at the Manitoba Theatre Centre and Rainbow Stage in Winnipeg. In Victoria, he started the Victoria Theatre Studio as a theatre school in 1963. In 1964 the name was changed to the Bastion Theatre Studio to harmonize with the Bastion Theatre which he founded that same year. The Bastion Theatre became the presiding company for the new McPherson Theatre building which opened in 1965. He remained Artistic Director until 1971. The Bastion did not renew Mannering's contract in 1976 and ended his Bastion Studio Theatre and Children's Theatre that year. He returned to freelance work in 1976 as actor, director and teacher. He continued his work in the Four Seasons Musical Theatre and other Victoria and Vancouver venues.

The fonds includes the following series: theatre scrapbooks, 1941-1991; biographical material, 1939-1994; programs and printed material, ca. 1938-1986; photograph series, 1947- ca.1987; audio-visual media series, 1946-ca.1992; and theatre poster series, 1950-1978.

Title based on the contents of the fonds

Includes graphic materials, moving images, and sound recordings

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Finding aid available with series and file level control

Related collections and published materials include:

Irene Teresa Barber, *A history of Bastion Theatre*, University of Victoria, MA thesis, 1976, UVic Special Collections, call number PN2306 V5B3

Peter Mannering collection : [conversations with theatre people], BC Archives, description number AAAB4376, call number T3877:0001 – 0045, 45 audio cassettes, recorded [1979 & 1980]

Michael Meiklejohn collection, Peter Mannering interview, BC Archives, description number AAAB4680, call number T3885:0001, 1 audio reel, recorded 1980 (see also UVic Archives Peter Mannering fonds, audio recordings subseries, file 9.40)

Totem Theatre, *Programs*, Vancouver and Victoria, BC: 1951-1954, UVic Special Collections, call number, PN2305 B7T67

Related fonds include:

Stuart Baker fonds, University of Victoria Archives, AR 009

Bastion Theatre Company of B.C. fonds, University of Victoria Archives, AR 010

Belfry Theatre fonds, University of Victoria Archives, AR 011

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Series Level Descriptions

- 1. Theatre scrapbooks series.** -- 1941-1991 -- 160 cm of textual records
The series consists of scrapbooks that include newspaper clippings, programs, posters, publicity, photographs, correspondence, internal theatre communications, director's reports, and notes by Peter Mannering. The scrapbooks are arranged chronologically. The theater companies listed for each scrapbook are those predominantly featured but not necessarily inclusive of all entries
- 2. Biographical material** -- 1939-1994 -- 15 cm of textual and graphic materials
The series consists of high school annuals, certificates, watercolours and a poster, correspondence, clippings, and a resume.
Files arranged chronologically
- 3. Programs and printed material** -- ca. 1938-1986 -- 65 cm of textual material
The series consists of programs and related clippings from theatres in British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario, the UK and US, predominantly from Vancouver and Victoria, BC.
Where possible, the files are ordered by location, institution, and date
- 4. Photograph series** -- 1947-ca.1987 -- 80 cm of graphic material: photographic prints and negatives
The series consists of photographs of theatre productions in British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario, the United Kingdom and the United States, and as well as miscellaneous non-performance images and portraits. The series is arranged into the following subseries: photographic prints subseries and photographic negatives subseries. The photographic prints subseries consist of photographic prints, 20 x 25 cm and smaller. Where possible, the files are ordered by location, institution, and date. The photographic negatives subseries is ordered, where possible, by institution.
- 5. Audio-visual media series** -- 1946-ca.1992 -- 34 film reels; 1 video cassette; 1 audio disc; 3 audio cassettes; and 4 audio reels
The series consists of recordings of theatre and television productions, and related interviews. The series is arranged into the following subseries: 8mm and Super 8 film subseries; 16 mm subseries; VHS subseries; and audio recording subseries.
- 6. Theatre poster series** -- 1950-1978 -- 37 posters: paper and pasteboard; 28 x 40 cm; 45x 60 cm
The series consists of posters created for theatre productions in Victoria, Vancouver, Manitoba and California.
Files arranged chronologically

Theatre Scrapbook Series

Box 1

- 1.1 1941-1942. (Scrapbook disbound). North Vancouver High School (NOVA)
(with enclosed material predominantly 1940s)
Enclosures: correspondence, programs, clippings, and 25 photographs
[note: Peter Mannering graduated from NOVA in 1944].
- 1.2 1944-1945. "Little Theatre" (written on first page).
Other theatres are:
Labour Arts Guild and Theatre Under the Stars
Includes: programs, clippings from the Little Theatre
Enclosures: 13 photographs.
- 1.3 1947-1948. "Community Players of North Vancouver"
aka "North Vancouver Community Players"
Includes: Constitution, Bylaws, internal communications, programs, posters and
clippings
Clippings note P.M.'s June 1947 return from the Pasadena Playhouse (Calif.).
- 1.4 1950. Arthur- Mainwaring Productions: *The Magic Flute*.
Predominantly concerned with the Desmond Arthur - Peter Mainwaring, April
1950 production of *The Magic Flute*.
Includes: clippings and programs and poster
Enclosures: letters, cards, clippings and 10 photographs 20x25cm and smaller
- 1.5 1950. Vancouver Opera Theatre.
Includes the October 1950 production of "The Magic Flute",
Dec. 1950 *The Beggars Opera* and a CBC notice
Includes: clippings, programs, posters and 7 photographs
Enclosures: loose clippings; 4 photographs
- 1.6 1951. Everyman Theatre
Jan. to Oct. productions.
Includes: clippings, programs and 31 photographs
Enclosures: loose clippings; 3 photographs
- 1.7 1951-1952. Theatre Under the Stars and Totem Theatre
Includes: clippings programs and 14 photographs
Enclosures: Loose clippings; 5 photographs
- 1.8 1961-1962. Manitoba Theatre Centre
Includes: drawing by Mannering, posters, programs, Manitoba, Ontario,
Stratford, and London clippings
Enclosures: clippings, programs, cards, telegrams
- 1.9 1962-1963. Manitoba Theatre School, Manitoba Theatre Centre and Rainbow
Theatre

Includes: clippings
Enclosed: clippings, cards, telegrams

- 1.10 1963-1964. Victoria Theatre Studio and The Bastion Theatre Studio, McPherson Theatre planning, University productions, First Theatre Arts Ball.
(Name change from "Victoria" to "Bastion" Theatre Studio noted Jan. 1, 1964).
Includes: Director's reports, programs, Victoria Shakespeare Festival clippings
- 1.11 1963-1964. (Scrapbook disbound) Victoria Theatre Studio and Bastion Theatre Studio (includes "Holiday Theatre")
Includes: publicity, programs and clippings
- 1.12 1964-1965. (Scrapbook disbound) "Bastion Theatre Studio," "Bastion Theatre" and the McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, director's reports, and items relating to the McPherson opening and its "Lights Up!" productions
- 1.13 Jan. 1965-May 1965. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: programs, clippings, comments on John Hirsh's directing
- 1.14 May 1965- Sept. 1965. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings with many of Mannering's "On Stage" columns from the *Oak Bay Leader*
- 1.15 Sept 1965-Jan 1966. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: programs, clippings including Mannering's "On Stage" columns from the *Victoria Observer*
- 1.16 Dec. 1965-April 1966. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: programs, newsletters, clippings

Box 2 Scrapbooks, continued.

- 2.1 April 1966 - March 1967. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: programs, newsletters, clippings.
- 2.2 March 1967 - Dec. 1967. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse.
Includes: clippings
- 2.3 Jan. 1968 - Dec. 1968. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.4 Sept. 1968 - Jan. 1969. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, posters
- 2.5 Jan 1969 - Sept. 1969. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, reports, newsletters, posters

- 2.6 Oct. 1969 - August 1970. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.7 Sept. 1970 - March 1971. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.8 March 1971 - Aug. 1971. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, telegram, newsletters
- 2.9 Sept. 1971 - Feb. 1972. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, poster, newsletters
- 2.10 Feb. 1972 - July 1972. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.11 Aug. 1972 - Nov 1972. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.12 Dec. 1972 - April 1973. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.13 April 1973 - Oct. 1973. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.14 Oct. 1973 - Jan. 1974. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.15 Jan. 1974 - April 1974. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.16 April 1974 – July 1974. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.17 July 1974 - Nov. 1974. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse.
Includes: clippings, programs, budget estimate, newsletters
- 2.18 Nov. 1974 -.Jan. 1975. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters
- 2.19 Jan. 1975 - April 1975. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters, director's report
- 2.20 April 1975 - Sept. 1975. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse
(Bastion Theatre cancels Children's Theatre and Studio Theatre program.
P.M.'s contract not renewed. Four Seasons Musical Theatre opening)
Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters, director's reports
- 2.21 Sept. 1975 - Jan. 1976. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons
Musical Theatre

Includes: clippings, programs, newsletters

- 2.22 Jan. 1976 - April 1976. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.23 April 1976 - Aug. 1976. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.24 Aug. 1976 - Dec. 1976. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.25 Dec. 1976 - May 1977. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 2.26 May 1977 - Oct. 1977. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs

Box 3 Scrapbooks, continued

- 3.1 Oct. 1977 - Feb. 1978. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs
- 3.2 Feb. 1978 - May 1978. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs, posters
- 3.3 May 1978 - July 1978. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs, posters
- 3.4 July 1978 - Oct. 1978. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs, posters
- 3.5 Oct. 1978 - March 1979. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs, posters
- 3.6 March 1979 - July 1979. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, director's notes, programs, posters

- 3.7 July 1979 - Dec. 1979. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs, posters

[Scrapbook Dec. 1979 - July 1980 missing -- see note inside cover 3.8]
- 3.8 July 1980 - Dec. 1980. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs
- 3.9 Jan. 1981 - May 1981. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, programs
- 3.10 May 1981 - Dec. 1981. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, newsletters, letter to Rona Murray, programs
- 3.11 Dec. 1981 - Feb. 1982. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 3.12 March 1981 - June 1982. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 3.13 June 1982 - Oct. 1982. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 3.14 Oct. 1982 - Feb. 1983. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 3.15 Feb, 1983 - July 1983. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, poster, programs
- 3.16 July 1983 - Sept, 1983. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Comox Valley Festival
Includes: clippings, programs
- 3.17 Sept. 1983 - Dec. 1983. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Includes: clippings, programs
- 3.18 Dec. 1983 - April 1984. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs

Box 4 **Scrapbooks, continued**

- 4.1 May 1984 - Aug. 1984. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs (70 year party of the McPherson includes Empire, York, and Pantages, see also note by P.M. on cover and on page 8)

- 4.2 Aug. 1984 - Dec. 1984. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs

- 4.3 Dec. 1984 - Feb. 1985. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.4 Feb. 1985 - May 1985. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs

- 4.5 June 1985 - Nov. 1985. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.6 Nov. 1985 - April 1986. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.7 April 1986 - June 1986. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.8 June 1986 - Nov. 1986. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.9 Nov. 1986 - Feb. 1987. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.10 March 1987 - May 1987. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.11 May 1987 - Oct. 1987. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs, posters

- 4.12 Nov. 1987 - April 1988. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs
- 4.13 April 1988 - June 1988. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs
- 4.14 July 1988 - Sept. 1988. Bastion Theatre, McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs
- 4.15 Oct. 1988 - Dec. 1988. Bastion Theatre (closure noted)
McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs
- 4.16 Dec. 1988 - Mar. 1989. McPherson Playhouse, Four Seasons Musical Theatre, Belfry
Includes: clippings, programs
- 4.17 Mar. 1989 - June 1989. New Bastion Theatre campaign
Includes: miscellaneous clippings, programs
- 4.18 June 1989 - Oct. 1989. Four Seasons Musical Theatre, New Bastion Theatre
Includes: Correspondence re: PM's Tyrone Guthrie Award, programs and miscellaneous clippings
- 4.19 Dec. 1989 - Mar. 1990. Four Seasons Musical Theatre, New Bastion Theatre
Includes: Letters pasted in to and from social services re: PM's activities, programs and miscellaneous clippings
- 4.20 April 1990 - Sept. 1990. Four Seasons Musical Theatre, New Bastion Theatre
Includes: Letters pasted in from Marcel Masse, programs and miscellaneous clippings
- 4.21 Sept 1990 - Jan. 1991. Four Seasons Musical Theatre, New Bastion Theatre
Includes: Clippings, programs
- 4.22 Jan. 1991. Clippings

Box 5

Biographical Material Series

- 5.1 School Annuals, 1939-1946
The Explorer, Point Grey Junior High School, 1939
The Explorer, Point Grey Junior High School, 1939-1940
Nova High, North Vancouver High School, 1941

- The Columbae*, North Vancouver High School, 1945-1946
(two photographs enclosed)
- 5.2 Certificates, 1943-1982
Young Canada Club, 1943
BC Winter Festival Opening Ceremonies, 1975
Theatre BC/British Columbia Drama Assoc. Award of Merit, 1982
 - 5.3 Art by Peter Mannering, ca 1945-19-
Includes: 19 annotated costume designs in pen and watercolor, with fabric;
1 poster; 1 still life watercolour
 - 5.4 Theatre Columns "On Stage in Victoria" and "Curtain Call" by Peter Mannering
in *The Oak Bay Observer* and *The Observer: Vancouver Island*, 1965-1968,
8 items
 - 5.5 Correspondence and miscellaneous, ca. 1943-1960s
 - 5.6 Peter Mannering and Joy Coghill interview: "The Changing Face of theatre in
Vancouver" ("approx. date of Broadcast Nov. 1958") 5 p.
 - 5.7 Newspaper clippings, 1945-1994
 - 5.8 Resume of professional activities, 1945-1992

Programs and Printed Material series

- 5.9 Canada -- BC -- Barkerville -- Theatre Royal --1963
Programs, Theatre Royal booklet, clipping
- 5.10 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Miscellaneous theatre -- 1930s - 1950s
Programs
- 5.11 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Hilker Attractions -- 1938-1950
Programs
- 5.12 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- UBC -- General -- 1940 - 1976
Programs
- 5.13 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- UBC -- Player's Club. 1942-1958
Programs
- 5.14 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- UBC -- Frederick Wood Theatre. 1954 - 1985
Programs, clippings, chronological list of performances, Mannering notes
- 5.15 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Theatre Under the Stars -- 1940 -1944
Programs

- 5.16 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Theatre Under the Stars -- 1945 -1947
Programs.
- 5.17 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Theatre Under the Stars -- 1948 -1950
Programs, clippings
- 5.18 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Theatre Under the Stars -- 1951 -1953
Programs, newsletter, telegrams
- 5.19 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Theatre Under the Stars -- 1954, 1955, 1957, 1959
Programs
- 5.20 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Theatre Under the Stars -- 1963, 1981
Programs, 1980 article
- 5.21 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- The Vancouver Little Theatre Association --
1942-1958
VLTA programs from the York Theatre venue, and clippings re: York Theatre
- 5.22 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Labour Arts Guild -- 1945-1946
Programs including the John Goss theatre Studio
- 5.23 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Elsie Graham Studios -- 1946, 1950
Programs
- 5.24 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- The Everyman Theatre -- 1946-1952
Programs, clippings
- 5.25 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- North Vancouver Community Players -- 1947-1951
aka The Community Players of North Vancouver
Programs, clippings
- 5.26 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Vancouver Children's Theatre -- 1948
Program and clippings of Elsie Graham's production of *Blue Bird*
- 5.27 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Holiday Theatre -- 1949-1963
Program, handbill, clippings (Joy Coghill clippings)
- 5.28 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Famous Artists Limited -- 1951, 1952, 1954
Programs
- 5.29 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Avon Theatre -- 1953-1954
Programs
- 5.30 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Vanguard Arena Theatre -- 1955-1957
Programs, clippings
- 5.31 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Barnstormers Production -- 1958
Program guide, *The Diary of Anne Frank*

- 5.32 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Vancouver International Festival -- 1958, 1963
Programs, clippings, telegrams

Box 6

- 6.1 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Playboard -- 1977-1980
Magazine.
- 6.2 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- Dadye Harvey Rutherford file -- 1934-1959
Vancouver Sun stories on D.H. Rutherford and Sun-Ray Revue, memo
- 6.3 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- York Theatre -- 1952-195?
York Theatre (1609 Government St.) programs, including the
Gala Opening Souvenir Programme, Curtain Up, The Hasty Heart and
The Man who came to Dinner
- 6.4 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Totem Theatre -- 1953-1954
Programs, clippings (with 2 Vancouver Totem programs, 1951-1952)
- 6.5 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Victoria Theatre Studio -- 1963
Programs, clippings
- 6.6 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Bastion Theatre Studio and Bastion Theatre -- 1964-
1966
Reports, newsletters, programs, clippings
- 6.7 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Bastion Theatre -- 1964-1967
Director's reports, miscellaneous documents
- 6.8 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Bastion Theatre -- 1965-1979
Programs, articles, clippings
- 6.9 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- Four Seasons Musical
Theatre, and miscellaneous Victoria theatres -- 1964-1997
Programs, clippings
- 6.10 McPherson Playhouse opening (*Lights Up!*) -- 1965
Programs, clippings, stage bulletins, invitations, telegrams
- 6.11 Canada -- Manitoba -- General -- 1952-1963
Programs, includes Royal Winnipeg Ballet
- 6.12 Canada -- Manitoba -- Theatre 77 (succeeded by the MTC) -- 1957-1959
Programs
- 6.13 Canada -- Manitoba -- Manitoba Theatre Centre (MTC) -- 1960-1962
Programs, articles, clippings

- 6.14 Canada -- Manitoba -- Manitoba Theatre Centre (MTC) -- 1963-1966
Programs, posters, clippings
- 6.15 Canada -- Manitoba -- Manitoba Theatre School -- 1962-1963
Programs, reports
- 6.16 Canada -- Manitoba -- Winnipeg Summer Theatre Association -- 1962-1963
Programs
- 6.17 Canada -- Manitoba -- General theatre clippings -- 1962-1963
- 6.18 Canada -- Ontario -- Stratford Festival -- 1960, 1974, 1975
Season guides
- 6.19 Canada -- Ontario -- The Canadian Players -- 1959-1960
Programs
- 6.20 Canada -- Ontario -- Equity Showcase Theatre -- 1960
Ticket/postcard to *The Women have their Way*
- 6.21 Canada -- Television and Radio productions -- 1954-1959
CBC Times articles including Vancouver's 1st television drama *The Vise*, 1955,
and articles on NFB's Judge Matthew Begbie film, *The Legendary Judge*, 1958
- 6.22 Canada -- Miscellaneous -- 1950-1967
Programs, clippings
- 6.23 UK -- Radio -- 1956
Call sheets, *Radio Times* clippings
- 6.24 UK -- London -- 1956
The King of New York Charlie Chaplin's penultimate film, 1956
Includes call sheet, 6 pages of script, and Paris Match article
- 6.25 UK -- General -- 1944-1972
Programs
- 6.26 US -- California -- Pasadena Playhouse -- 1945
Programs, handbill, *Pasadena Playhouse News*
- 6.27 US -- California -- Pasadena Playhouse -- 1946
Programs, *Pasadena Playhouse News*
- 6.28 US -- California -- Pasadena Playhouse -- 1947-1986
Programs, *Pasadena Playhouse News*, *Pasadena Curtain Call*
- 6.29 US -- California -- The Playgoer -- 1947-1952
- 6.30 US -- California -- Orchard Gables Repertory Theatre (Hollywood) -- 1948-1950

- Programs, clippings, cards
- 6.31 US -- California -- Miscellaneous -- 1940s
Programs, playbills
- 6.32 US -- Miscellaneous -- 1940s-1970s
Programs.

Box 7

Photograph Series

Photographic Print Subseries,

- 7.1 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver. CBC Television
Parade, 1 Feb. 1955.
The Vise, Sept. 1955 (first CBC drama to be televised from West Coast)
- 7.2 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver. Everyman Theatre
The Flies, 1951
The House of Regrets, 1951
The Would Be Gentleman, 1951
- 7.3 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver. Beaux Arts Ball, 1947
- 7.4 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver. Vancouver Children's Theatre
The Blue Bird, 1948 (Elsie Graham dir)
- 7.5 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver. Vancouver Little Theatre Association
The Deep Blue Sea 1954
- 7.6 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver. Theatre Under the Stars
Eileen, 1950
Brigadoon, 1951
Hit the Deck, 1951
Wizard of Oz, 1952
The Red Mill, 1952
Waltz in Old Vienna, 1952
Carousel, 1953
Rose Marie, 1953
Sweethearts, 1954
New Moon, 1954
Anything Goes, 1955
Annie Get Your Gun, 1955
- 7.7 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver -- UBC Theatres
The Seagull, 1953
Volpone, 1953
The Old Ladies, 1954

The Tempest, 1957

- 7.8 Canada -- BC -- Vancouver/Victoria. Totem Theatre
Born Yesterday, 1951
George and Margaret, 1952
Dangerous Corner, 1952
Mother Goose, 1952
Streetcar Named Desire, 1952
Pygmalion, 1952
Nina, 1953
Dark of the Moon, 1953
Charley's Aunt, 1953
The Little Foxes, 1953
Black Chiffon, 1953
Gaslight, 1953
Ring 'round the Moon, 1954
My Three Angels, 1954
- 7.9 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Victoria Theatre Studio
The Inspector General, 1963
School for Wives (with non-performance photos), 1963
Alice in Wonderland, 1963
Dickens, 1963
- 7.10 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Bastion Theatre Studio
Three Little Pigs, 1963-1964
Trapped, 1964
Theatre Arts Ball, 1964
The Babies, 1973-1974
- 7.11 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Bastion Theatre Studio, photo album (disbound), 1963-197?
Includes performance and non-performance photographs, and some Victoria Theatre Studio and Bastion Theatre prints
- 7.12 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Bastion Theatre (folder 1)
Hansel and Gretel, 1964 (in envelope)
Bobina, 1964
Candida, 1964
Unidentified performance, 1964, (in envelope)
Dark of the Noon, 1965
Nina, 1965
Come Blow your Horn, 1965
Life with Father, 1965; 1979
The Wonder of it All (Emily Carr), 1966
On Borrowed Time, 1966
Bell, Book and Candle / School for Wives, ca. 1966
Oliver, 1966-1967
Camelot, 1967-1968

- Blood Wedding*, 1967-1968
Caesar and Cleopatra, 1969
Salad Days, 1969
- 7.13 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Bastion Theatre (folder 2)
 Bastion Fair, ca.1970
 Unidentified performance, 1970
Gold!, 1974
Amadeus 1983-1984
School for Scandal, 1985
 Unidentified performance, and non-performance, 1966, (in envelope)
 Unidentified performance, no date, (in envelope)
 Unidentified performance, no date, (in envelope)
 Unidentified performance, no date, (in envelope)
7. 14 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Bastion Theatre, photo album, 1967-1971
 Compiled by Heather Roberts, Bastion Theatre Marketing
 First page inscribed: "Peter Mannering, Bastions Founder, has graciously lent some of his personal photographs of past productions"
Camelot, 1967
Please Don't Sneeze, 1967
The Crucible, 1968
Point of Departure, 1968
Hayfever, 1969
Caesar and Cleopatra, 1969
That Man from Moscow, 1971
- 7.15 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Bastion Theatre
 McPherson Theatre opening. *Lights Up!* , 1965
- 7.16 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Four Seasons Musical Theatre
Mikado, 1975
Wonder of it All, 1980, 1982
Aladdin, 1980
HMS Pinafore, 1983
Names and Nicknames
Sleeping Beauty, 1982
Little Red Ridinghood, 1981
Don Giovanni / Cosi Fan Tutti
Pinocchio
- 7.17 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. St Luke's Players, photograph album (disbound), 1984-1987
 Compiled by Barbara Pittam
 Plays directed by Peter Mannering
The Women Have Their Way, 1984
Strange Bedfellows, 1984
Are You a Mason?, 1985
We Must Kill Tony, 1986

- Sailor Beware!*, 1987
Non-performance photographs
- 7.18 Canada -- BC -- Victoria. Unidentified Victoria theatre, 1960s - 1980s
Photography by Stuart Baker, aka Stuart Kent
- 7.19 Canada -- BC -- Victoria -- John Heath (actor, director)
Also included: Heath in 2 Thunder Bay, Ontario productions:
You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, 1982
Hosanna, 1981
- 7.20 Canada -- BC -- Victoria/Vancouver. Children's Theatre misc., ca. 1960s-1980s
Includes:
Holiday Theatre
Summer Theatre, 1977
- 7.21 Canada -- BC -- Film productions
The Legendary Judge [Begbie], 1958, NFB
Day of Decision: The Crime of Galileo, 1959, CBC.
- 7.22 Canada -- Manitoba -- Winnipeg. Manitoba Theatre Centre (MTC), etc.
(includes loose photographs from 1961-1962 scrapbook 1.8)
Playboy of the Western World, 1961
We Must Kill Tony, 1962
Importance of Being Ernest, 1963
Unidentified productions
Non-performance photographs
- 7.23 Canada -- Ontario -- Stratford. Stratford Festival, 1964
Richard II
King Lear
The Country Wife
Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme
- 7.24 Canada -- Ontario -- Toronto. The Canadian Players (touring company), 1959-1960
The Devil's Disciple
Non-performance photographs
- 7.25 Canada -- Ontario -- Toronto. Equity Showcase Theatre, photo album (disbound, album incomplete), ca. 1960
Includes: *The Women have their Way* (with negatives), 1960
- 7.26 Canada -- Ontario -- Toronto. Ryerson Theatre
Hamlet, 1960, 11 photographs
Directed by Peter Mannering
Includes program and clippings
- 7.27 UK -- London -- Arts Theatre (touring show).

- Trip to Bountiful*, 1956
enclosures: programs and clippings
- 7.28 US -- California -- Hollywood. Orchard Gables 1948-1949
The Seagull.
The Would Be Gentleman.
- 7.29 Theatre -- Miscellaneous. ca. 1950s-1970s (1)
- 7.30 Theatre -- Miscellaneous. ca. 1950s-1970s (2)
- 7.31 Peter Mannering photographs -- Portraits and miscellaneous non-performance.
ca. 1945-1980s

Box 8 (contains 3 Card Boxes)

Photographic negative subseries

Card Box 1

Barkerville, BC

- CB 1.1 Miscellaneous. Barkerville, July 1963.

Victoria Theatre Studio,

- CB 1.2 *Dickens*, 1963
Includes photos of Wolfgang Baba
- CB 1.3 *School for Wives*, 1963
First reading for *Alice in Wonderland*
- CB 1.4 *School for Wives*, 1963
Alice in Wonderland, 1963
- CB 1.5 *School for Wives*, 1963
Reception for *School for Wives*
- CB 1.6 *Alice in Wonderland*, 1963
The Inspector General, 1963
- CB 1.7 *The Inspector General*, 1963
School for Wives, 1963
- CB 1.8 *The Inspector General*, 1963
- CB 1.9 *The Inspector General*, 1963

Bastion Theatre Studio

- CB 1.10 *Candida*, 1964
Hansel and Gretel, 1964
- CB 1.11 Theatre Arts Ball, 1964
- CB 1.12 *Trapped*, 1964

Card Box 2

Bastion Theatre

- CB 2.1 Shakespeare Festival, *Richard III* (July 1964)
- CB 2.2 Shakespeare Festival/ *Hansel and Gretel* / *Three Sisters*, 1964
- CB 2.3 Shakespeare Festival/ *Candida* party / *Bobina*, 1964
- CB 2.4 *Come Blow Your Horn*, 1965
- CB 2.5 *Dark of the Moon*, June 1965
- CB 2.6 *Fantasticks* / The move from the winery/ *Pinoke* on TV, 1965
- CB 2.7 Childrens' Theatre, ca 1965
- CB 2.8 Unidentified performance, 1965
- CB 2.9 Unidentified performance, 1965
- CB 2.10 Unidentified performance, 1965

Card Box 3

Bastion Theatre

- CB 3.1 *School for Wives*, 1966
- CB 3.2 *Master Cat* / Peter Mannering's Garden, 1972
- CB 3.3 *The Killdeer*, 1973
- CB 3.4 *Gold!*, 1974
- CB 3.5 *Eulogy for a Doll*, 1974
- CB 3.6 Unidentified performance, 1973
- CB 3.7 "BF" (no name, no date),
- CB 3.8 "BF" "RG" Queens" (no name, no date)
- CB 3.9 HG" (*Hedda Gabler?*, no date)
- CB 3.10 Non-performance negatives, no date
- CB 3.11 Student Shaw Plays/ *Pied Piper* Summer School, 1970

Miscellaneous negatives

- CB 3.12 Portraits, Peter Mannering and others, no date
- CB 3.13 Portraits, and personal, 1963
- CB 3.14 Vancouver, personal and stage, no date
- CB 3.15 Peter Mannering at home, Heywood Ave., Victoria, 1966
- CB 3.16 Peter Mannering (with mother?), ca. 1966
- CB 3.17 Peter Mannering, ca. 1970s

Box 9

Audio-Visual Media Series

8 mm and Super 8 Film subseries

Miscellaneous

- 9.1 "Life with Tom, Peter & Corky", 1946, 3" reel
- 9.2 "Lady [?] and Ham!", Pasadena, California, 1947, 3" reel
- 9.3 Unidentified, Vancouver, BC, 1958, 3" reel
- 9.4 "Autumn Leaves", Maplewood, BC, 1958, 3" reel
- 9.5 "Cats and Snow", Maplewood, BC, 1958, 3" reel
- 9.6 Unidentified, Maplewood, BC, 1958, 3" reel
- 9.7 "Christmas", Maplewood, BC, 1959, 3" reel

- 9.8 Unidentified, Toronto, Ontario, 1960, 3" reel
- 9.9 "Christmas 1963, North Van," Vancouver, BC, 1963, 3" reel
- 9.10 Unidentified, Victoria, BC, ca. 1975, 3" reel

Theatre, predominantly Victoria, BC.

- 9.11 *Alice in Wonderland / School for Wives*, Victoria Theatre Studio, 1963, 3" reel
- 9.12 *Alice in Wonderland / Inspector General*, Victoria Theatre Studio, 1963, 3" reel
- 9.13 *School for Wives*, Bastion Theatre, (1), 1966, 3" reel
- 9.14 *School for Wives*, Bastion Theatre, (2), 1966, 3" reel
- 9.15 *Anything Goes*, 1969, 3" reel
- 9.16 *Salad Days*, 1969, 3" reel
- 9.17 *Pigs/Smile*, summer, 1969; *The 3 Bears / Dandelion*, 1970, *Pied Piper*, 1969, 5" reel.
- 9.18 McPherson, and Stratford ca. 1960s, 3" reel
- 9.19 *Pinoke*, ca. 1970, 3" reel
- 9.20 *Carnival!*, 1970, 3" reel
- 9.21 *Treasure Island / Popcorn Man*, 1971, 3" reel
- 9.22 *Robin Hood / Golden Goose*, 1972, 3" reel
- 9.23 *Pigs in Poke*, 1973, 3" reel

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- 9.24 *Trial by Jury / HMS Pinafore*, 1975, 3" reel
- 9.25 *HMS Pinafore* (2nd half), *Pirates*, 1975, 3" reel

16 mm Film subseries

- 9.26 "Mannering Announcing" ca. 1950s, 3 1/2" reel
- 9.27 CBC, *Hidden Pages -- Horatio Nelson*, March 7, 1958, 12" reel
- 9.28 CBC *Hidden Pages -- Doughnut Machine*, Oct. 17, 1958, 12" reel.
- 9.29 CBC *Hidden Pages -- The Talisman*, kinescope, Dec 24, 1958, 12" reel.
- 9.30 CBC *Guilty or Not Guilty -- The State of Va. vs. John Brown*, Dec. 16, 1958, 12" reel
- 9.31 CBC *Guilty or Not Guilty ("cv-7-8")* Dec 21, 1958, 12" reel
- 9.32 Listerine commercial: "Newlyweds", Toronto, ca. 1960, 3" reel
- 9.34 Channel 6, Victoria, BC, *Bastion Theatre* (a documentary on the Bastion Theatre featuring Peter Mannering and others) 1964, ca. 30 min., 12" reel

VHS videotape subseries

- 9.35 First Avenue United Way: Way Better lottery, 3 minutes, Feb. 25 [ca. 198?]

Audio recordings subseries

- 9.36 *Dark of the Moon*, McPherson playhouse, "May 4-8, 1965," vinyl record 33 1/3 rpm (with enclosed gift card, signed by cast)

- 9.37 *The Fantasticks*, Bastion Theatre, ca. 1965, 1 reel, 18 cm
- 9.38 *Just for Fun*, Butchart Gardens Show, 1966, 1 reel, 13 cm
- 9.39 *Pinocchio*, Nov. 1973, 1 reel, 13 cm
- 9.40 Michael Meiklejohn, Canadian Theatre History Lectures, Nov.1970, 1 reel, 18 cm
- 9.41 Peter Mannering discusses theatre in the 1950s including *The Canadian Players*, (1992), 1 cassette tape
- 9.42 Peter Mannering discusses The Bastion Theatre "Side A Tape 3," (1992), 1 cassette tape
- 9.43 Peter Mannering and Jennifer Shore discuss The Bastion Theatre, ca. 1990s "side 3" and "side 4", 1 cassette tape

Theatre Poster Series

Folder 1

1953-1954 -- 4 pasteboard posters, 28 x 40cm
York Theatre (Victoria, B.C.)

Folder 2

ca. 1950s-1978 -- 33 paper and pasteboard posters, 45 x 60cm and smaller
Includes posters from: St Paul's Church (Vancouver), California College of Arts and Crafts, Manitoba Theatre Centre, Victoria Theatre Studio, Bastion Theatre Studio, Bastion Theatre Touring Company, Theatre Arts Ball (Victoria)