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John Gielgud collection

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Summary

Creator: Gilder, Rosamond

Title: John Gielgud collection

Date: 1935-1952

Size: .3 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Gift, Gilder, Rosamund, 1958

Abstract: Rosamond Gilder (1896-1986), an American author and theatre figure in New York, was founder and president of the International Theater Institute. She wrote about the theatre and edited the letters of her father, Richard Watson Gilder. Collection consists of papers concerning the life and career of Sir John Gielgud, English actor and director. Includes typescripts of Gielgud's autobiography; letters from Hallam Fordham to Gilder about the autobiography; typescript of *The Hamlet Tradition* by John Gielgud; text of *Hamlet* as used in Gielgud-McClintic productions; and various drafts of John Gielgud's *Hamlet* (1937) by Gilder.

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Key Terms

Subjects

Actors -- England
Theater -- England

Names

Gilder, Rosamond
Fordham, Hallam
Gielgud, John, 1904-2000
McClintic, Guthrie, 1893-1961
Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616