Guide to the Boris Aronson Papers and Designs, 1923-2000

*T-VIM 1987-012

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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract: Boris Aronson was primarily a set designer. He is best known for his work on *The Diary of Anne Frank* (1955), *Bus Stop* (1957), *Fiddler on the Roof* (1964), *Cabaret* (1966), *Zorba* (1968), *Company* (1970), *Follies* (1971), and *Pacific Overtures* (1976). Aronson won eight Antoinette Perry (Tony) Awards for Best Scenic Design. The collection is made up mainly of designs, but also includes production materials, scripts, and other papers.

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Custodial History

The Boris Aronson Papers and Designs were donated to the Billy Rose Theatre Division in 1987 by Lisa Aronson.

Biographical Note

Boris Solomon Aronson was a scenic designer, occasional costume designer, painter and sculptor. He was born around 1900 in Kiev (currently the independent Ukraine), the son of a rabbi, and came of age during the Russian Revolution. He studied art and design at the School of Modern Painting in Moscow, as well as studying with the avant-garde painter and stage designer Alexandra Exter. He continued his education in Paris and Berlin, and in 1923 wrote a book about his friend, the artist Marc Chagall. (Chagall's cubist-fantastic paintings based on Aleichem's stories would later inspire Aronson's sets for *Fiddler on the Roof*.) In 1923 he emigrated to the United States and began designing sets for New York's Jewish theaters, first with the experimental Unser Theater and later with the Yiddish Art Theater. These early designs clearly showed Aronson's rejection of naturalism in design. A good example of this is Aronson's depiction of Hell as the human mind in *The Tenth Commandment* (1926). It was during these years that Aronson developed his theories on stage design: the set should permit varied movement; each scene should contain the mood of the whole play; and that the setting should be beautiful in its own right.

Aronson's first foray into English-speaking theater was the 1927 production, 2 x 2 = 5. As the Great Depression progressed he worked diversely, designing productions for Radio City Music Hall, on Broadway, and joining the Group Theater. The Group Theater was founded in 1931 by Harold Clurman, Cheryl Crawford and Lee Strasberg and was based on the principles of ensemble acting, first seen in the Moscow Art Theater. Aronson and Clurman (who once called Aronson a "master visual artist of the stage") would eventually work together on 11 productions, including the Group Theater's *Awake and Sing!* (1935), *Paradise Lost* (1935), and *The Gentle People* (1939). Aronson's notable productions of the 1930s include *Walk A Little Faster* (1932, starring Bea Lillie) which featured innovative use of curtains, for example, one was shaped like an iris lens.

During the 1940s Aronson continued to innovate by using colored slides to create projected scenery. In 1947 the Museum of Modern Art exhibited these stage designs in the show *Painting with Light* (a phrase coined by Aronson to describe these collage like works). He used this technique for one of his first ballets, *The Great American Goof* (1940). Aronson would continue to design for ballets throughout his career. In 1943 Lisa Jalowetz became his professional assistant and two years later they would marry. She continued to assist him throughout his career.

1950-1951 brought greater recognition of Aronson's talents. That year he received the Antoinette Perry (Tony) Awards for Best Design for *Season in the Sun* (1950), *The Country Girl* (1950), and *The Rose Tattoo* (1951). Other notable productions during the 1950s include *I Am a Camera* (1951, based on Christopher Isherwood's book that would later inspire the musical *Cabaret*), *The Crucible* (1953), *The Diary of Anne Frank* (1955), and *Bus Stop* (1955).

If the 1950s was the decade of Aronson's association with earnest dramas, the 1960s brought him widespread acclaim as a designer for musical theater. His collaborations with Harold Prince, beginning with *Fiddler on the Roof* in 1964, progressing to *Cabaret* (1966, renowned for his use of a lightweight mylar mirror that reflected the audience back to themselves) and *Zorba* (1968) were resounding successes. Prince and Aronson continued to work together in the 1970s on *Company* (1970), *Follies* (1971), *Great God Brown* (1973) and *Pacific Overtures* (1976). The designs for *Pacific Overtures*, in particular, brought together Aronson's love of innovation through his use of color copies in the design process, and his lifelong fascination with traditional art forms like Japanese printing.

Aronson's final designs were for Baryshnikov's *The Nutcracker* (1976). By his death in 1980 Aronson had won eight Antoinette Perry (Tony) awards for Best Scenic Design. His designs were exhibited at the Library for the Performing Arts in 1981, as well as being exhibited at the Katonah Gallery in conjunction with *The New York Times* critic Frank Rich's book *The Theatre Arts of Boris Aronson*.

Scope and Content Note

The majority of the Aronson collection is set designs, followed by production materials and scripts. Professional Papers (Series I) and General Research (Series VII) contain materials not directly associated with specific productions. Most of the other series – Scripts, Programs, Clippings, Production Materials, Designs, Elevations & Blueprints, and Oversized Materials - are organized by production name. They illustrate Aronson's thought and work processes from beginning to end. Production Materials and Designs include Aronson's early work for the Jewish theater, a particularly interesting time in his career and unique to this collection. Amongst the designs for groundbreaking productions like *The Diary of Anne Frank* (1955) and *Cabaret* (1966), there is evidence of concepts that were eventually discarded like the Art Nouveau version of *Follies* (1970) and preliminary screens tried out in Company (1970). Production Materials boasts research materials for *Orpheus Descending* (1957) recommended to Aronson by Tennessee Williams himself. Lisa Aronson's notes throughout provide additional information, and she also had a hand in constructing Boris Aronson's scrapbooks. Aronson's writings (in Series I) allow Mr. Aronson to speak directly about his work, including his short book about Marc Chagall, a friend of Aronson's whose work inspired his designs for *Fiddler on the Roof* (1964). There is virtually no personal material in the collection.

Organization

The collection is organized into 9 series. They are: Series I: Professional Papers, ca. 1925-1994; undated

Series II: Scripts, 1938-2000; undated Series III: Programs, 1911-1977; undated Series IV: Clippings, ca. 1929-1990; undated

Series V: Scrapbooks, 1926-1958 Series VI: General Research, undated

Series VII: Production Materials, ca. 1924-1978; undated

Series VIII: Designs, Elevations & Blueprints, ca. 1923-1976; undated

Series IX: Oversized Materials, ca. 1923-1986; undated

Series Descriptions

Series I: Professional Papers, ca. 1925-1994; undated

9 boxes

Alphabetical

Professional Papers contain documents not directly related to Aronson's theatrical designs. Art includes catalogues of paintings and drawings by Aronson as well as photographs of a mural he did for the Unser Theater. Awards & Recognitions contains mainly invitations to awards ceremonies that Aronson attended, including when he received his last Tony award (1976). The majority of Biographical Materials is information for, and drafts of, Frank Rich's biography of Aronson: The Theatre Art of Boris Aronson. Conferences & Committees includes Aronson's report on his 1965 cultural exchange trip to Moscow. Correspondence includes letters from Harold Clurman, Elia Kazan, and Hal Prince. Throughout Aronson's life his art and designs were exhibited internationally, two of the most notable exhibitions that are represented in this series are his 1947-1948 show at the Museum of Modern Art (called *Painting with Light*) and a particularly thorough post-mortem exhibit at the Katonah gallery (1989). Financial and legal items include contracts and grant applications. There are transcripts of interviews with Aronson discussing his designs and collaborations. Finally, Aronson's writings include his short work on Marc Chagall, a personal friend whose work inspired the designs for Fiddler on the Roof (1964).

Series II: Scripts, 1938-2000; undated

13 boxes

Alphabetical

Rarely do Aronson's scripts contain annotation or multiple drafts. Notable exceptions are *The Diary of Anne Frank, Dreyfus in Rehearsal, J.B.*, and *Zorba*.

Series III: Programs, 1911-1977; undated

3 boxes

Alphabetical

Programs spans Aronson's entire career – from his early work in Jewish theater to his final works in theater and dance (*Pacific Overtures* and Baryshnikov's *The Nutcracker*).

Series IV: Clippings, ca. 1929-1990; undated

2 boxes

Alphabetical

Except for the final three "General" folders, Clippings pertain to and are organized by specific productions. Clippings that concern Aronson's artwork outside the theater are part of the files in Series I.

Series V: Scrapbooks, 1926-1958

1 box

Chronological

Scrapbooks were constructed by Aronson (and his wife) and only cover the first half of his career. They are not sequential, with years overlapping not only with each other, but with the two large scrapbooks (1924-1932, 1932-1935) in the Oversized Material series (Series IX).

Series VI: General Research, undated

3 boxes

Alphabetical

General research is not identified with a particular show but rather organized by subject (for example, German Woodcuts or Tattoos). It is mainly reproductions of artwork and some photographs.

Series VII: Production Materials, ca. 1924-1978; undated

3 boxes

Alphabetical

Production materials are organized by show title. Examples of the types of materials included are research, production notes, photographs of sets/performances/models, and prop lists. Of note are the research materials for *Orpheus Descending*, which were personally suggested by Tennessee Williams, and Jerome Robbins's production notes for the original *Fiddler on the Roof*.

Series VIII: Designs, Elevations & Blueprints, ca. 1923-1976; undated 112 boxes

Alphabetical

"Designs" refers to scenic designs, though Aronson did occasionally design costumes. Costume designs are always identified specifically as such. Aronson's early works for the Jewish theaters in New York are generally organized by production name, but there are some early works that are listed simply under "Jewish theater". Also included in this series are a few flat model pieces. Productions that illustrate the entire design process best include *Company*, which has preliminary screens that were used for the out-of-town tryouts but eventually discarded, and *Pacific Overtures*, when he first employed a color copier in the design process.

Series IX: Oversized materials, ca. 1923-1986; undated

6 boxes

Alphabetical

The oversized materials are organized to mirror the rest of the collection (i.e., Biographical Materials, General research, etc); the only difference is the large format. It also includes two complete scrapbooks spanning the years 1924 to 1935, and a photograph of the 1950-1951 Tony awards – the evening Aronson won three Tonys.

Series I: Professional Papers, ca. 1925-1994

Art, ca. 1925-1988

		Art, ca. 1925-1988
<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	
1	1	Catalogues, 1962-1988
	2	Unser Theater Mural, ca. 1925-1930
		Awards & Recognitions, 1964-1991
	3	Antoinette Perry (Tony) Awards, 1972 & 1976
		(Invitation to the 1972 ceremony and Aronson's 1976 acceptance speech for
		Pacific Overtures.)
	4	Creative Arts Award, 1969 (At Brandeis University.)
	5	Mary L. Murphy Award in Design, undated
		(From the Long Wharf Theatre. Given to Ming Cho Lee - Lisa Aronson was on
	6	the Honorary Committee.)
	6 7	Sholom Alecheim medallion, 1964
	/	Theatre Hall of Fame, 1979 & 1991
		Biographical Materials, 1947-1986; undated
	8	General, 1968
		The Theatre Art of Boris Aronson, 1947-1986; undated (By Frank Rich.)
	9	Research, 1947-1975; undated
	10	Contents, preface, list of illustrations
	11	List of illustrations and their captions
	12	Publishers material
	13	Publishers proof copy
	14	Various partial drafts
2	1-2	Complete draft
		(Annotated by Lisa Aronson. Marked as 'close to final draft'.)
3	1-3	Illustrations
		(Mostly color images, mounted on cardboard and identified by number.)
4	1-2	Illustrations
		(Mostly color images, mounted on cardboard and identified by number.)
	3	Photographs (Black and white.)
	4	Transparencies of illustrations
5	1	Obituaries, 1980
	2	Who's Who in America/American Theater, undated
		Conferences and Committees, 1940-1991
	3	Cultural exchange trip to Moscow, 1965 (Includes Aronson's report on the
		trip.)
	4	Various, 1940-1991
_		Correspondence, 1932-1994; undated
6	1	Atkinson, Brooks, 1967-1978; undated
	2	A, 1938-1983; undated (Includes unanswered letters from Aronson.)
	3	B, 1935-1986; undated
	4	Cacoyannis, Michael, 1965-1967; undated
	5	Canaday, John, 1961-1971 (Art critic for <i>The New York Times</i> .)

Box/Folder		Description
<u>Box</u>	Fol	Clurman, Harold, 1938-1992; undated
6	6	(Last dated letter from Clurman is from 1972. Also included are three 1991-1992 letters from Robert Hethmon, who edited Clurman's letters for publication.)
	7	C, 1965-1990; undated
	8	D-G, 1951-1993; undated
	9	Hall, Peter & Desmond, 1953-1967; undated (Of the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre/the Royal Shakespeare Theatre.)
	10	Kazan, Elia, 1958-1981; undated
	11	H-L, 1937-1983; undated
	12	New York Public Library, 1954-1994
	13	M-O, 1935-1991; undated
	14	Prince, Harold (Hal), 1969-1978; undated
	15	P-S, 1938-1989; undated (Includes letters in German from Otto Schenk and a letter on behalf of Max Reinhardt concerning <i>The Merchant of Yonkers</i> .)
	16	T-Z, 1957-1990; undated
	17	Congratulations on book, 1987-1993 (Letters to Lisa Aronson and Frank Rich on the publication of <i>The Theatre Art of Boris Aronson</i> . All but one are from 1987-1988.)
	18	Telegrams, 1932-1977; undated (Mainly well wishes for various opening nights.)
	19	Unidentified, 1962-1991; undated
		Exhibitions, 1927-1990; undated
7	1	American Ballet Theatre, 1976
	2	Anderson Galleries, 1927
	3	Architectural League of New York, 1933
	4	Brandeis University, 1949
	5	Corcoran Gallery of Art, 1957
	6	Galerie Hodebert, 1928
	7	(An exhibition Aronson visited, rather than one his work was in?)
	8	The George Washington Art Gallery, 1968 The Houghton Library, 1972 (Franch House) That Gallerian)
	9	The Houghton Library, 1972 (From the Harvard Theatre Collection.) The Hudson River Museum, 1976
	10	Jewish Community Center, 1963 (In Richmond, Virginia.)
	11	The Jewish Museum, 1988 (In a show about golems.)
	12	Judah L. Magnes Museum, 1988
		(Tradition and Revolution: the Jewish Renaissance in Russian Avant-Garde Art, 1912-1928.)
		Katonah Gallery, 1988-1990 1989 exhibition, <i>Stage Design as Visual Metaphor</i> . Curated by Frank Rich.
	13	Correspondence, 1988-1990
	14	Clippings, 1989
	15	Various, 1989
	16	Kinokuniya Gallery, 1974 (In Tokyo.)
	17	The Museum of Modern Art, 1947-1948

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<u>Box</u> 7	<u>Fol</u> 18	Museum of Tel Aviv, 1934	
·	19	National Museum of American Jewish History, 1988	
	20	New York Cultural Center, 1974	
		(Max Reinhardt exhibition. Aronson was on the honorary committee and lent memorabilia to the exhibition.)	
		New York Public Library, 1976-1984; undated	
8	1	1976-1977 (Exhibition about Kurt Weill and Lotte Lenya. Commemorative book inscribed by Lenya.)	
	2	1981	
	3	1984	
	4	Undated	
		(Exhibition of Ming Cho Lee's work. Program includes thank-you to Aronson.)	
	5	Nierendorf Gallery, 1945	
	6	North Dakota Museum of Art, 1983	
	7	Parrish Art Museum, 1992 (Art in Theatre.)	
	8	The Philadelphia Art Alliance, undated	
	9	Steimatzky's, 1933 (In Israel.)	
	10	Stendhal Art Galleries, 1941	
	11	Storm King Art Center, 1963	
	12	Syracuse Museum of Fine Arts, 1954	
	13	Wright-Hepburn-Webster Gallery, 1968	
		Financial & Legal	
		Contracts, 1923-1964	
	14	1923-1925 (One in Hebrew with translation, one in Russian, and one in	
		German.)	
	15	1954-1964 (Mostly United Scenic Artists.)	
		Grant Applications, 1950-1964	
	16	Educational Exchange Program, 1964	
	17	Ford Foundation, 1961	
	18	Guggenheim Fellowship, 1950	
	19	Releases, 1976-1988	
	20	Miscellaneous, 1974-1976; undated	
		Interview transcripts, 1961-1975; undated	
	21	With Hethmon, ca. 1961	
	22	With Garson Kanin, 1975	
	23	With Virginia Rowe, ca. 1961 (Regarding Clifford Odets.)	
	24	With unidentified persons, undated	
		Writings, 1923-1978; undated Articles	
9	1	A Designer's Notebook, undated (Also known as On Designing Plays.)	
	2	Designing Sweet Bye and Bye, ca. 1946	
	3	Harold Clurman Theatre Event, 1978	
	4	Notes on Elia Kazan, 1973	

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	
9	5	Notes on J.B., undated (Elia Kazan directed J.B.)
	6	Marc Chagall, 1923
		(Photocopy of Aronson's short book on his friend. Includes German text and English translation.)
	7	Pacific Overtures, 1976 (Published in January 1976 issue of Theatre Craft.)
	8	Preparation and Visualization: Designing for Theatre, 1969
	9	The Theatre Takes Stock (1940)
		Notes
	10-12	Autobiographical notes, undated
	10 12	(Some used by Frank Rich for his book <i>The Theatre Art of Boris Aronson</i> .)
	13	Imaginary interview of Aronson by Aronson, undated
	14	On Designing Musicals, 1974
	15	On Modern Art, undated (Parts were eventually published?)
	16	On Paris, undated
	17	Speech at the Actor's Studio, 1948
	18	For unidentified book by Aronson?, undated
	19	Various, undated
	20	Various taken by Lisa Aronson, undated
		Series II: Scripts, 1938-2000; undated
<u>Box</u> 10	<u>Fol</u> 1	21 Rue Balzac, 1967
	2	<i>1776</i> , 1968
		(Includes note from the producer, Stuart Ostrow. In the end, Jo Mielziner designed this production.)
	3	Les Blancs, undated
	4	Boesman and Lena, 1969
	5	Brave New World, 1938-1939
		(Adapted from Aldous Huxley's book by Louis Walinsky.)
	6	Cabaret, 1966 Aug. 18 (Rehearsal version.)
	7	Charley and Joan, 1973-1974 (Written in 1973, revised January 14, 1974.)
	8	Children from Their Games, undated
11	1	A Chorus Line, undated (Completely different from the 1970s musical A Chorus Line.)
	2	Cockadoodle Dandy, undated
	3	Come Dressed in Red, undated
		Company
	4	1969 May (First draft.)
	5	Undated
	6-7	Count Me For a Stranger, 1957 (Two slightly different versions.)
	8	The Creation of the World and Other Business, undated
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12	1-2	The Crossing, 1959 (Two slightly different versions.)		
	3	Dancers, undated		
	4	The Dark, undated		
	5	Der Besuch der Alten Dame, 1970		
		(Published vocal score for opera. In German - translates literally as "that visits the old lady".)		
		The Diary of Anne Frank, ca. 1955-1957; undated		
13	1	ca. 1955		
		(This early version is called <i>The Diary of a Young Girl.</i>)		
	2	Undated		
	2	(This early version is called <i>The Diary of a Young Girl.</i>)		
	3	1957 Sept. 26 (Includes pages added on October 2 and October 7.)		
	4	A Doll's Life, 1981		
	~	Dreyfus in Rehearsal		
	5	1974 May 31 (This early version is called <i>Dreyfus</i> .)		
	6	1974 July 12		
	7	1974 Aug. 15		
14	1	In Yiddish, undated (Photocopy of handwritten translation.)		
	2	An Early Life, undated (Was in a William Morris Agency folder.)		
	3	Faith Healer, undated		
		(Includes a note "With the Compliments of Morton Gottlieb".)		
		Fiddler on the Roof, undated		
	4-5	Undated		
	6	In Japanese, undated		
1.5	1	(Two slightly different early versions, both named <i>Tevye</i> .)		
15	1	From Cave to Cosmos - One Earth, One Sky, One Sea, A Spectacular of Ideas, 1958 (Includes material about the piece, which is a "dramatic choral poem" for voice.)		
	2	From Under the Sea, 1955		
	3			
	4	The Garden of Sweets, 1961 The Girls, undated		
	7	(Includes handwritten note to return to Norman Lloyd.)		
	5	The Great American Goof, 1939		
	6	The Heart's a Forgotten Hotel, undated		
	7	A Hole in the Head, 1956		
	8	The House of Blue Leaves, 1967		
	9	Hymie and the Voices, undated		
16	1.2			
16	1-2	Incident at Vichy, undated (Folder 2 contains some notes on the backs of script pages.)		
		J.B.		
	3	1958		
	4	1960 Feb. (As published in <i>Theatre Arts</i> magazine.)		
	5	Undated		
Box				

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16	6 7-8 9	Jacobowsky and the Colonel, undated Judith, undated (Two slightly different versions.) Juliet of the Spirits, undated (First rough draft.)
17	1 2	The Last Station, undated Let's Face It, 1964 A Little Night Music, 1972
	3 4	With 1 November revisions With 5 November revisions
	5	A Loss of Roses, 1959
	6	The Luckiest Man in the World, undated
	7	Man of La Mancha, 1963 (First draft.)
	8	The Master-Builder, undated (Adapted by Max Faber from the play by Henrik Ibsen.)
18	1	Meegan's Game, undated
	2	A Memory of Two Mondays, undated
	3 4	The Moonlight File, undated Mourning Becomes Electra, 1964 (Several versions, both complete and incomplete.)
	5	Older People, 1972
	6	Orpheus Descending, 1958 (As published in <i>Theatre Arts</i> magazine. Includes photograph of Aronson's set.)
	7	Paris Blues, 1958
	8	The Picnic of Claretta, ca. 1974
	9 10	A Piece of Noon, undated
	10	Pippin, undated
19	1	Poor Murderer, 1975
	2	The Price, 1967
	3	The Purging of Simon Madden, undated
	4	The Queen and the Rebels, undated (Originally written in Italian by Ugo Betti.)
	5	English translation by Henry Reed New American translation by Eugene Lion
	6	Rainbow Terrace, 1967 (Inscribed by the author, Mordecai Gorelik.)
	7	The Red Devil Battery Sign, 1974
	8	The Rope Dancers, 1957 & 1960 (Includes script as published in <i>Theatre Arts</i> magazine in January 1960.)
20	1	Scream, undated
	2	The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe, 1985 & 2000 (The Plymouth Theatre, 1985 and the Booth Theatre, 2000. Boris Aronson never worked on this production, but perhaps his wife Lisa was involved?)
	3	Seidman, 1962
	4-5	Seize the Day, undated (Two slightly different versions.)
	6	Semi-Detached, undated
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                 She Went That Way, undated
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                 The Silver Lake, undated
                 Small War on Manhattan
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                    1955
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                    1958
                       (Includes script as published in Theatre Arts magazine in August 1958.)
      4
                 Stages, undated
      5
                 Sunrise, 1957 (First completed draft, August 2 1957.)
      6
                 Sunset, 1966
      7
                 Tovarich, undated
      8
                 The Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald, undated
      9
                 A Very Special Baby, undated
      10
                 Vieux Carre, undated
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      1
                 The Watering Place, undated
                 Zorba, 1968
      2
                    April
      3
                    June
      4
                    August
      5
                 Untitled, A Farce-Comedy, undated (By Jack Bostick.)
      6
                 Unidentified, undated (Complete script. Characters include Paul Dauphin, Georgette
                        de Vauquelin, and Bernu.)
      7
                 Unidentified, undated (Act I only.)
              Series III: Programs, 1911-1977; undated
      <u>Fol</u>
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                 A-B, 1929-1955; undated
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                 Ca-Cl, 1940-1987
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                 Co-Cr, 1950-1971
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                 D-E. 1945-1967
                 Fiddler on the Roof
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                    1960-1969
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                    1970-1991; undated
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                 F, 1925-1991
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                 G-H, 1939-1962; undated
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                 I-J, 1929-1965; undated
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                 A Little Night Music, 1973-1979
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                 L, 1934-1959
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                 M. 1939-1967
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                 The Nutcracker, 1977
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Box 26 Fol 1 Angels on Earth, ca. 1929 26 1 Awake & Sing!, 1993 (Late interview with Clifford Odets.) 3 The Big People, 1947 4 The Bird Cage, 1950 5 Bus Stop, 1982 Cabaret 6 1966-1968 7 1979-1987 8 Cabin in the Sky, 1940-1952 9 Company, 1970-1972 10 Coriolanus, 1959 11 The Creation of the World and Other Business, 1972-1973 12 The Crucible, 1953 13 The Diary of Anne Frank, ca. 1958 14 Do Re Mi, 1961 15 Dreyfus in Rehearsal, 1974 Fiddler on the Roof 16 1964-1978 17 1969 (South African production.) 18 1980-1989 19 Fidelio, 1970-1972 20 The Firstborn, ca.1958 Follies 21 1971-1972 23 The Great American Goof, 1940 24 Great God Brown, 1972 27 1 Harold Clurman Theatre Artists Fund Opening Night Party, 1981 27 1 Harold Clurman Theatre Artists Fund Opening Night Party, 1981			
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	12	The Nutcracker, 1976-1978
	12	Over 21, 1944 (Designed by Lisa Aronson, née Jalowetz.) Pacific Overtures
	13	1975-1976 July
	14	1975-1976 July 1976 AugNov.; Undated
	15	The Picnic of Claretta, 1974 (In French.)
	16	The Price, 1968 (Includes article in German.)
	17	Rainbow Terrace, 1966
	18	The Red Poppy, 1944
	19	The Rose Tattoo, 1953
	20	Semi-Detached, 1960
	21	South Pacific, 1944
	22	Sunset, 1966
	23	Sweet Bye and Bye, ca.1946
	24	The Theatre Arts of Boris Aronson, 1987-1990; undated
	25	The Tzaddick, 1974
		Zorba, 1968-1969
	26	General (Includes articles not related to specific shows.)
	27	1926-1969 (Includes article in Swedish.)
	28	1970-1990 (Includes article in Japanese.)
	29	Undated (Includes article in Hebrew.)
		Series V: Scrapbooks, 1926-1958
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28	1 2	1926-1931 1929-1962
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29	2	Ancient Art & Architecture (Mainly Egyptian, Greek, and Roman.)
	3	Architecture Architecture Architecture
	4-7	Art
	8	Bayeux Tapestry
	9	Decorative Elements
	10	Demolished Buildings & Ruins
	11	Designs by other artists (Both costume and scenic design.)
	12	Detective Story (Was in envelope marked Detective Story.)
30	1	Flowers
	2	(One Matisse image has a rough sketch, possibly by Aronson, on the back.)
D.	2 E-1	Folk Art and Household Items (Including tools and musical instruments.)
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30	3	General research, in French

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	4	
	4 5	16th century
	6	Paris photographs
	7	German Woodcuts (Includes Dance of Death.)
	8	Great Britain (Homes.)
	9	Industry & Machinery
	10	Interiors Iranian Art
	11	Italian Art & Architecture
	12	Japanese Art & Architecture
	13	Jewish History
	14	Landscapes
	15	Mathematical models & designs
	16	New York City
31	1	Portraits
	2-3	Religious Art & Architecture (Includes etchings of the martyring of saints.)
	4-5	Russian Theater
	6	Switzerland
	7	Tattoos (Designs painted on cardboard.)
	8	Textures
	9	Theaters
	10	Transportation (Boats, trains, planes)
	11	U.S.S.R.
		United States
	12	19th century
	13	20th century
	14	Workers (Includes photo essay by Irving Penn.)
	15	Vaudeville, movie stills, and composites
	16	Miscellaneous
		Series VII: Production Materials, ca. 1924-1978; undated
<u>Box</u>	Fol	$2 \times 2 = 5,1927$
32	1 2	2 x 2 = 3, 1927 Agadatti, 1924
	_	Andorra, 1963
	3	General Papers
	4	Photographs
	•	(Black and white photographs, many mounted on cardboard.)
	5	Angels on Earth, 1929
		(Black and white photograph, performed at The Jewish Theater.)
	6	The Assassin, 1945
		(Black and white photograph, includes photocopies of sketches.)
	7	Awake and Sing, 1935 (Black and white photograph, includes negatives.)
	8	Ballade, 1952 (Black and white photographs. Ballet by Jerome Robbins.)
<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	
32	9	Barefoot in Athens, 1951 (Black and white photographs, includes sketches.)

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	10 11 12	Battleship Gertie, 1935 (Black and white photographs, includes negatives.) The Big People, 1947 (Black and white photographs, includes negatives.) The Bird Cage, 1950	
	13 14	(Black and white photographs, includes lighting plot.) The Body Beautiful, 1935 (Black and white photographs.) The Bronx Express, 1925 (Black and white photographs with scene descriptions.)	
	15	Bus Stop, 1955	
33	1 2	Cabaret, 1966; undated 1966 (Research material with photos from 1920s and 1930s.) 1966 (Photographs, sketches and negatives.)	
	3	Undated (Photographs of 1/4" model set drawings.)	
	4	Undated (Performance photographs.)	
	5	Cabin in the Sky, 1940 (Photographs of costume sketches and set research.)	
	6	Cafe Crown, 1942 (Photographs of set research.)	
	7	The Changeling, 1947 (Black and white photographs with negatives and scene breakdown.)	
	8	Clash by Night, 1941 (Photographs of set research, sketches and performances.)	
	9	The Cold Wind and the Warm, 1958 (Black and white photograph of model set and scene breakdown.)	
24	1	Company, 1970	
34	1	Images for projection (Black and white photographs, negatives and slide images for projections.)	
	2	Photos of models (Black and white photographs.)	
	3	Photos of performances & sets (Black and white photographs of performances and set sketches.)	
	4	Research photographs (Black and white photographs.)	
	5 6	Research photographs of Lincoln Center (Black and white photographs.) Samples of materials & furniture research (Magazine clippings, catalogues of fabric samples, and shipment notes.)	
35	1	Coriolanus, 1959 (Black and white photographs of set models, sketches, and performances. Includes scene breakdown.)	
	2	The Country Girl, 1950 (Black and white photographs of set.)	
	3	The Creation of the World & Other Business, 1972 (Includes research photos, negatives, and notes from Harold Clurman and Arthur Miller.)	
	4	The Crucible, 1953 (Black and white photographs of performances with negatives.)	
	5	Dancing in a Checkered Shade, 1955 (Black and white research photographs.)	
<u>Box</u> 35	<u>Fol</u> 6	Day and Night, 1924 (Performance and set photographs of the Unser Theater in the Bronx. Originally with	

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	7	"Jewish theater".)
	8	Desert Song, 1945 (Black and white performance photographs.) Detective Story, 1949 (Mounted research photos.)
	O	The Diary of Anne Frank, 1955
	9	Letters from Garson Kanin (Include production notes.)
	10	Photographs of set models and sketches
		(Black and white photographs, some are mounted on cardboard.)
	11	Research photographs (Black and white research photographs.)
36	1	Photographs of performances
		(Black and white photographs for costume reference.)
	2	Photographs of set
		(Photographs of set and sketches, includes some negatives.)
	3	Do Re Mi, 1960
	3	Photographs of set and sketches, includes some pagetives.)
	4	(Photographs of set and sketches, includes some negatives.) Research
	'	(Black and white research photographs and a sketch.)
	5	Scene breakdown (Production notes, includes some sketches.)
		Dreyfus in Rehearsal
	6	1935 & 1974
		(Black and white photographs of models and sketches, including production notes.)
	7	1975
		(Color photo album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger.)
	8	The Family, 1943
		Fiddler on the Roof, 1964-1965; undated
37	1	Detail photographs (Photographs of models and sketches.)
	2	Final props (Mounted watercolor sketches of props.)
	3	Mounted photos of set and performances
	4	Negatives (Negatives of set designs and models.)
	5	Notes (Jerome Robbins's production notes.)
	6	Performance photographs
	7 8	Photographs of set and set designs/models
	8	Stills from 1928 film <i>Skvoz Slyozy</i> for research (Film is also known as <i>Laughter Through Tears.</i>)
	9	Weissberger photo album, 1965
	10	Undated (Japanese performance photos with negatives.)
		Fidelio, 1970
38	1	Photos of set model
		(Black and white photographs of set models and sketches. Includes negatives, prop list and production notes.)
	2	Research (Black and white research photographs.)
	3	The Final Balance, 1925
_		(Photographs of set for production. Originally with "Jewish theater".)
<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u> 4	The Firstborn, 1962
38	4	(Black and white photographs of models and sketches, including negatives.)

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	5	Follies, 1971
	3	1/2" model (Black and white photographs of model with negatives.)
	6	Model, model scenes, and sets with actors
	7	Rehearsals
		(Proof sheets of rehearsal photographs at Feller Studio.)
	8	Research (Black and white research photographs.)
	9	Sketches with production notes
		The Frogs of Spring, 1953
	10	Research photographs (Black and white photographs.)
	11	Photographs and prop list (Black and white photographs of sketches, models, sets and performance scenes with negatives. Includes prop list.)
39	1	Garden of Sweets, 1961
		(Black and white photographs of sketches, models, sets and performance scenes.)
	2	The Gentle People, 1939
		(Black and white photographs of research sites, sketches, sets and performance scenes.)
	3	German theater, undated (Research material on the German stage.)
		A Gift of Time, 1962
	4	Photographs
		(Black and white photographs of sketches, models, sets and technical rehearsals. Includes negatives.)
	5	Research (Black and white photographs.)
	6	Girls of Summer, 1956
		(Black and white research photographs. Many photos taken in Greenwich Village, New York City.)
	7	The Golden Door, 1948 (Photographs of sketches.)
	8	The Golem, 1930 (Letter from Maurice Schwartz in Yiddish, with partial translation.)
	9	The Grand Tour, undated
		(Notes from Aronson to the author. Aronson would eventually decline to design this production.)
	10	The Great American Goof, 1940 (Photographs of models, includes negatives and notes.)
	11	The Great God Brown, 1972 (Black and white photographs of models, includes negatives and notes on similarities/differences between Don Juan and The Great God Brown. They played in repertory together. Produced by New Phoenix Repertory Company.)
	12	Gypsy Lady, 1946 (Performance and sketch photographs.)
40	1	Heavenly Express, 1940 (Photographs of set, sketches, and performances.)
	2	L'Histoire du Soldat, 1965 (Black and white photographs of models and sketches. Includes photo of award ceremony set up.)
<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	A Hole in the Head, 1957
40	3	(Black and white photographs of research, models and Jean Rosenthal - lighting designer on this production. She also worked with Aronson on <i>Fiddler On The Roof</i>

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		and <i>Cabaret</i> . Includes notes on color scheme.)
	4	I Am a Camera, 1951
	_	(Black and white photographs of sketches. Includes negative.)
	5	In Western Waters, 1937 (Black and white photographs of set.)
	6	Incident at Vichy, 1964 (Black and white photographs of models, sketches, and performance scenes.)
	7	J.B., 1958 (Photographs of sketches, models, and set. Includes production notes.)
	8	Jew Süss, 1929 (Black and white photograph of model.)
	9	Jewish dance, undated (Costume designs for dancer Baruch Agadati.)
	10	Jewish Theater, ca.1924-1929 (Black and white photographs of models, sketches, sets and performance scenes. Includes negatives and list of Jewish productions.)
	11	Jewish Theater, undated
		(Postcards of sketches and performances that were used for research.)
	12	Jewish Summer Theater, undated (Black and white photographs of set and seating in theater.)
	13	Judith, 1962
	10	(Photographs of sketches, models, sets and performances. Sean Connery featured in performances.)
	14	Ladies and Gentlemen, 1939 (Black and white research photographs. Includes photographs of sketches, models and set.)
	15	Ladies Money, 1934 (Black and white photograph of set.)
		A Little Night Music, 1973
41	1	Photos of the film <i>Smiles of a Summer Night</i> (Film inspired Stephen Sondheim to write <i>A Little Night Music</i> .)
	2	Visual breakdown by scene
		(Black and white photographs of models with negatives and diagrams of scene breakdown.)
	3	A Little Night Music, 1979 (Black and white performance photographs of Japanese production. Includes photos of set models.)
	4	A Loss of Roses, 1959 (Black and white photographs of set and sketch. Includes production notes.)
	5	Love Life, 1948 (Black and white photographs of sketches and models, and one performance photograph.)
	6	Mademoiselle Colombe, 1954 (Black and white photographs of sketches.)
	7	The Master Builder, 1955 (Photographs of set.)
	8	A Memory of Two Mondays, 1955 (Black and white photographs of sketches and models. Performed along with A View From A Bridge?)
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41	9	The Merchant of Yonkers, 1938 (Photographs of sketch and performances.) Mourning Becomes Electra, 1967 (At the Metropolitan Opera.)

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		Photos of set model	
		(Black and white mounted photographs. Includes cast list.)	
	11	Photos of set models, proof sheets, polaroids and negative	
	12	Photos of sets and performances	
		(Black and white photographs of performances, models, and sketches.)	
	13	Research	
		(Black and white photographs of clothing styles. Includes photocopied diagrams and articles.)	
	14	My Name is Goggle, 1958 (Black and white proof sheet of performance.)	
	15	My Three Angels, 1953 (Black and white photograph of set. Includes notes on back.)	
42	1	The Night Before Christmas, 1941 (Photograph of sketch.)	
		The Nutcracker	
	2	1976	
		(Photographs of sketches, models, and performances. Includes production notes.)	
	3	1978 (Photo album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger.)	
	4	Once Upon a Tailor, 1955	
		(Black and white photographs of sketches, models, and set.)	
	_	Orpheus Descending, 1957	
	5	Photographs	
		(Photographs of sketches, models, and sets. Includes research photos and prop list.)	
	6	Research (Photographs of 'Baby Doll' and Benoit in Mississippi near Greenville. Research material suggested by Tennessee Williams.)	
		Pacific Overtures, 1976	
	7	Photo album	
		(Photo album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger. Includes photo of Aronson.)	
	8	Photos of sketches, models and set	
		(Photographs of sketches, models, and set. Includes negatives and production notes.)	
	9	Research (Photocopied pictures and production notes.)	
	10	Paradise Lost, 1935 Dec. 9	
		(Black and white set photographs. Produced by the Group Theatre.)	
	11	Pictures at an Exhibition, 1944	
		(Black and white performance photographs. Includes choreography diagrams.)	
		The Price, 1968	
	12	Photos of models and set	
		(Black and white photographs of models and set. Includes negatives and production notes.)	
	13	Research	
	1.5	(Black and white research photographs. Includes sketches and diagram.)	
	14	R.U.R., 1942 (Photograph of sketch and set.)	
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<u>Box</u> 43	<u>Fol</u> 1-2	Radio City Music Hall, 1935	
T.J	1 4	(Black and white photographs of sketches, models and performances. Second folder	

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		contains mounted photographs.)
	3	The Red Poppy, 1943
		(Black and white photographs of performers in costumes. Includes sketch photograph.)
	4	The Rope Dancers, 1957 (Black and white photographs of sketch and set.)
	5	The Rose Tattoo, 1951
		(Black and white photographs of sketches, models and performance. Includes production notes.)
	6	Sadie Thompson, 1944 (Black and white photographs of sketches, models and set.)
	7	Season in the Sun, 1950 (Black and white research photographs. Includes photographs of set and prop list.)
	8	Semi-Detached, 1960 (Production notes.)
	9	Skipper Next to God, 1948
		(Black and white photograph of set. Includes photocopied article with illustrations of performance.)
	10	Skipper Next to God and South Pacific, 1943 and 1948 (Black and white research photographs of ships.)
	11	Small Miracle, 1934 (Black and white photograph of set.)
	12	Small War on Murray Hill, 1957 (Black and white photographs of diagrams, sketches, models and set.)
	13	The Snow Maiden, 1942
		(Production notes by Nijinska with letter from Eurenoff. Includes performance photographs and magazine article with design illustrations.)
	14	South Pacific, 1943 (Black and white research photographs. Includes models and set photographs with photocopied article.)
	15	The Survivors, 1948
		(Illustrated research articles. Includes set photographs.)
	16	Sweet Bye and Bye, 1946 (Sketches with article on production.)
44	1	The Tenth Commandment, 1926 (Black and white photographs of sketch and performance. Originally filed under "Jewish theater".)
	2	This is Goggle, 1958 (Mounted photograph of sketch. Includes production advertising flyer.)
	3	Three Men on a Horse, 1935 (Black and white photographs of sketch and set.)
	4	The Time of Your Life, 1939 (Black and white photograph of sketch. Includes negatives.)
	5	Tragedy of Nothing, 1927 (Black and white photographs of sketch and models. Originally filed under "Jewish theater".)
	6	Truckline Café, 1946 (Black and white photographs of sketch and set.)
	7	The Unconquered, 1940 (Photographs of models and performances.)
	8	A View From the Bridge, 1955 (Photograph of sketch and set.)
	9	Walk a Little Faster, 1932 (Photographs of sketches, models, and performances.)
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44	10	Weep for the Virgins, 1935	
		(Black and white photographs of models and performances.)	
	11	What's Up, 1943	
		(Black and white photographs of sketches and performances.)	
	12	Zorba, 1968	
	12	Photographs of performances and set (Includes negative.)	
	13	Photos of set models	
	13	(Includes negative and some mounted photos.)	
	14	Notes on Crete and research photographs	
		(Production notes and research photos. Includes photos of sketches and performances.)	
	15	Set model polaroids and proof sheets	
		(Black and white photographs of models. Includes proof of sketches and models.)	
45	1	Unidentified research photographs, undated	
	_	(Black and white research photographs. Originally rubber banded together.)	
	2	Unidentified set model, undated (Black and white photographs of models.)	
	3	Unidentified photographs, undated	
	4	(Black and white photographs of sketches, rehearsals and models.)	
	4	Unidentified photographs, undated	
		(Black and white photographs of sketches, models, set and performances. May be early works.)	
	5	Unidentified photographs, undated	
	_	(Black and white photographs of various models and performances. Includes notes in	
		Yiddish.)	
		Various, ca. 1931-1973	
	6	Photograph album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger, 1963	
	-	(Photographs of performances from Aronson's various productions.)	
	7	Photograph album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger, 1967	
	8	(Photographs of performances from <i>Cabaret</i> and <i>Mourning Becomes Electra</i> .)	
	o	Photograph album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger, 1969 (Photographs of performances from <i>The Price</i> and <i>Zorba</i> . Includes photos of	
		Aronson.)	
	9	Photograph album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger, 1972	
		(Photographs of performances from Fidelio, Company and Follies.)	
	10	Photograph album compiled by L. Arnold Weissberger, 1973	
		(Photographs of performances from <i>The Creation of the World, Great God Brown</i> and <i>A Little Night Music.</i>)	
	11	Photographs, undated	
	10	(Duplicate black and white photographs of models and performances, marked "not to be used".)	
	12	Photographs, ca. 1931-1941	
		(Black and white performance photographs of The Group Theatre, annotated by Lisa Aronson.)	
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<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	Research, 1943-1954	

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45	13	(Photocopied sketches and diagrams researched for <i>Mademoiselle Colombe</i> , <i>The Survivors</i> , and <i>South Pacific</i> .)
	14	Research, undated (Black and white research photographs. Includes list of researched shows.)
		Series VIII: Designs, Elevations & Blueprints, ca. 1923-1976; undated
<u>Box</u> 46	Fol 1 2-4	2 x 2 = 5, 1927 Andorra, 1963
47	1-4	Andorra, 1963
48	1 2 3 4 5	Angels on Earth, 1929 The Assasins, 1945 Designs Blueprints Elevations Awake and Sing, 1935 (Elevations only.)
49	1-2 3	Ballade, 1952 Designs Costume designs
50	1-2 3	Barefoot in Athens, 1951 Designs in progress Final designs
51	1-3	Barefoot in Athens, 1951
52	1 2 3 4-5 6	Battleship Gertie, 1935 (Elevations only.) The Big People, 1947 Blueprints Elevation The Birdcage, 1950 Designs Blueprints
53	1 2 3 4-6	The Body Beautiful, 1935 Designs Blueprints and Elevations The Bronx Express, 1925 (Jewish theater production.) The Bus Stop, 1955
54	1-4 5 6	Cabaret, 1968 Designs Elevations Model pieces
<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	Cabin in the Sky, 1940 (Also known as "Little Joe".)

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55	1-3 4 5	Designs Blueprints Costume Designs
56	1-3 4 5	Costume Designs Elevations Model and research photographs
57	1-2 3 4	Cafe Crown, 1942 Designs Blueprints Elevations
58	1-6 7 8-10	The Changeling, 1947 Designs Blueprints Costume designs
59	1-6 7 8-9	Costume designs Elevations Preliminary pencil sketches
60	1-4 5 6	Clash by Night, 1941 Designs Blueprints and elevations Elevations
61	1-4	The Cold and the Warm, 1958 Designs
62	1-2	Designs
63	1 2-3 4-6 7	Company, 1970 Early versions Large handpainted photos for projections Large photos for projections Preliminary screens (Tried in Boston, but not continued in New York production.) Coriolanus, 1959
64	1-5 6	Designs Elevations
65	1-4 5	The Country Girl, 1950 Designs Elevations
66	1 2-5	The Creation of the World, 1972 (Photographs and mounted designs.) The Crucible, 1953 Designs
<u>Box</u> 67	<u>Fol</u> 1	The Crucible, 1953 Designs

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	2 3	Elevations Model pieces
68	1-2	Dancing in the Checkered Shade, 1955
69	1-5 6 7	The Desert Song, 1945 Designs Blueprints Elevations
70	1-2 3 4	Detective Story, 1949 Designs Blueprints Elevations
71	1-2 3	The Diary of Anne Frank, 1955 Designs Blueprints
72	1-3	Do Re Mi, 1960
73	1-3	Do Re Mi, 1960
74	1-4	Do Re Mi, 1960
75	1-3 4 5	Dreyfus in Rehearsal, 1974 Designs Elevations The Family, 1943
76- 80		Fiddler on the Roof, 1964 Rolled elevations
81		Israeli and touring production (Rolled.)
82	1-4	Fiddler on the Roof, 1964 Designs
83	1-2 3 4	Designs Designs with scrim model Photostats of drops
84	1-2	Fidelio, 1970 Firstborn, 1958
85	1-2 3	Designs (Includes photostats and scrim model.) Elevations
86	1-2	Flowering Cherry, 1959
<u>Box</u> 87	<u>Fol</u> 1	Follies, 1971 Designs

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88	2 3 4 5 6	Elevations Model of Art Nouveau version (Not used in show.) Model Floor Pieces Photographs of models Scrim sample Rolled elevations
89	1-2 3	The Frogs of Spring, 1953 Designs Elevations
90	1-2 3	The Garden of Sweets, 1961 Designs Blueprints
91	1-2 3	The Gentle People, 1939 Designs Elevations
92	1-4	A Gift of Time, 1962
93	1-3	A Gift of Time, 1962
94	1-2 3 4	The Girls of Summer, 1956 The Golden Door, 1948 The Golem, undated (Jewish theater production)
95 95	1-2 3 4-6 7 8 9	The Great American Goof, 1940 Designs Blueprints Costume designs Elevations Pencil sketches The Great God Brown, 1972 (Black and white photographs of model.)
96	1-3 4	Gypsy Lady, 1946 Designs Elevations
97	1-2 3 4	Heavenly Express, 1940 Designs Costume designs (Aronson did not get credit for costumes.) Elevations
98	1 2	L'Histoire du Soldat, 1965 A Hole in the Head, 1957
<u>Box</u> 99	<u>Fol</u> 1-3	I Am a Camera, 1951 Designs

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4		Elevations
100	1 2 3 4	In Western Waters, 1937 Designs Blueprints Elevations (Also known as Tough To Chaw.) Incident at Vichy, 1964
101	1-4 5	I've Got Sixpence, 1952 Designs Elevations
102	1-4 5	J.B., 1958 Designs Lighting plot
103	1 2-4 5-6	Jew Süss, 1929 (Jewish theater production) Jewish theater, ca.1923-1930 Designs Costume designs
104	1-4 5 6-7	Costume designs Costume design for "Chassidic Oriental Dance" Judith, 1962
105	1-2 3 4 5	Ladies and Gentlemen, 1939 Designs Blueprints Ladies and Gentlemen, 1939 Elevations Mounted glass design
106	1-4 5 6 7	A Little Night Music, 1973 Designs Boston set photographs Model photographs and car elevations Photostats, sketches and research
107	1-3	Model pieces
108		Rolled elevations
109	1-4 5	Loss of Roses, 1959 Love Among the Ruins, undated
110	1-3 4 5-6	Love Life, 1948 Designs Blueprints and elevations Elevations
<u>Box</u> 110	<u>Fol</u> 7	Lievations Love Life, 1948 Finals and backdrops

Box/Folder		Description
	8	Photostats
111	1-5 6	Mademoiselle Colombe, 1954 Designs Elevations
112	1-2	The Master Builder, 1955
113	1 2 3 4-5	A Memory of Two Mondays, 1955 The Merchant of Yonkers, 1938 Designs Blueprints and elevations Miss Underground, 1943
114	1 2-3	Mourning Becomes Electra, 1967 Designs Costume designs
115	1-2	Costume designs
116	1 2 3	Parlor model Photographs Portraits
117	1 2-3 4 5	Porch and backdrop Wall My Three Angels, 1953 Designs Elevation
118	1 2-4 5	The Night Before Christmas, 1941 (Includes elevations.) The Nutcracker, 1976 Designs Model pieces
119		The Nutcracker, 1976 Model pieces
120	1-3 4	Designs (For the TV production.) Elevations
121	1-2 3	Once Upon a Tailor, 1955 The Original Amateur Hour, undated
122	1-3	Orpheus Descending, 1957
123	1-4	Pacific Overtures, 1976 Designs
124	1-3 4	Designs Lighting plot and models
<u>Box</u> 124	<u>Fol</u> 5-6	Lighting plot and models Pacific Overtures, 1976 Model 3D pieces

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125	Rolled elevations
126 1 2 3 4	Paradise Lost, 1935 Pictures at an Exhibition, 1944 Designs Blueprints Elevations
127 1-2 3 4 5	The Price, 1968 Designs Blueprints and elevations Photostats of sketches and models The Queen and the Rebels, 1960 R.U.R., 1942 Designs Elevations
128 1-5 6 7	Radio City Music Hall, 1935 Designs Blueprints and Elevations Model pieces
129 1-2 3	The Red Poppy, 1943 Designs Costume designs
130 1-3 4	Costume designs Costume designs for opium sequence
131 1 2 3 4-5 6 7	The Rope Dancers, 1957 The Rose Tattoo, 1951 Designs Elevations The Russian People, 1942 Designs Blueprints Elevations
132 1-2 5 6 7	Sadie Thompson, 1944 (Also known as Rain.) Designs Blueprints Elevations Model curtains
133 1	Saks 5th Avenue window display, undated
Box Fo 133 2-3 4	Season in the Sun, 1950 Designs Elevations

Box/Folder		Description
	5	Sketches
134	1-4 5 6 7	Semi-Detached, 1960 Skipper Next to God, 1948 Designs Blueprints Elevations
135	1-5	Small War on Murray Hill, 1957
136	1-6	The Snow Maiden, 1942 Designs
137	1-4 5 6-7	Costume designs South Pacific, 1943 Designs Blueprints and elevations
138	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	The Stranger, 1945 Designs Blueprints Elevations Sundown Beach, 1948 Designs Elevations The Survivors, 1948 Designs Blueprints Elevations Sweet Bye and Bye, 1946
139	1-3 4 5	Designs Blueprints Elevations
140	1 2-6	The Tenth Commandment, 1926 This is Goggle, 1958
141	1 2 3 4	Three Men on a Horse, 1935 Designs Elevations Time of Your Life, 1939 Designs Elevations
<u>Box</u> 141	<u>Fol</u> 5 6	Truckline Cafe, 1946 Designs Blueprints

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	7	Elevations
142	1-2 3 4 5	The Tzaddick, 1974 Designs Costume designs Elevations Photostats and research The Unconquered, 1940 (Also known as We The Living.) Blueprints Elevations
143	1-4	A View From the Bridge, 1955
144	1-3 4	Walk a Little Faster, 1932 Designs Blueprints
145	1-2 3-4 5 6	Weep for the Virgins, 1935 What's Up?, 1943 Designs Blueprints Elevations
146	1-2 3-5	Zorba, 1968 Designs Model pieces
147	1 2 3 4	Unidentified, 1938-1940; undated Ballet project Costume designs Set designs Treadmill design detail, 1938-1940
		Series IX: Oversized Materials, ca.1923-1986
<u>Box</u> 148	Fol 1 2 3	Biographical Materials - <i>The Theater Art of Boris Aronson</i> , ca. 1986 Programs - <i>The Price</i> , 1968 (Souvenir program.) Clippings - <i>Theater in America</i> , ca. 1976 (Includes <i>Cabaret</i> , <i>Fiddler on the Roof</i> , and <i>Follies</i> .) Scrapbooks, 1924-1935
	4	1924-1932
	5	1932-1935
	6 7	General Research, undated Ancient Art and Architecture Architecture
<u>Box</u> 148	<u>Fol</u> 8	Art
149	1	Circus (Includes clowns and pages from book on horses training.)

Box/Folder		Description
	2	France/In French
	3	Interiors
	4	Japan
		(Includes The Great Wave: The Influence of Japanese Woodcuts on French Prints.)
	5	Landscapes
	6	Massachusetts (Cape Cod and Gloucester.)
	7	New York City
	8	Street Scenes
	9	Religious Art/Architecture
	10	Miscellaneous (Includes many negative images.)
		Production Materials, ca. 1923-1974
150	1	$2 \times 2 = 5,1927$
	2	Battleship Gertie, 1935
	3	The Bronx Express, 1925
	4	Company, 1970 (Fish eye views of New York City for research.)
	5	Company, 1970 (Photos were marked "not to be used".)
	6	Coriolanus, 1959
	7	Do Re Mi, 1960 (Includes backstage and technical set-up photographs at Imperial studio - some are Do Re Mi, others may be other productions.)
	8	Fiddler On The Roof, 1964 Follies, 1971
	9	Research photographs (Mainly New York City, including Roxy Theater.)
	10	Rehearsal and set construction photographs (In an envelope marked "P.Feller Studio".)
	11	A Gift of Time, 1962
	12	The Great American Goof, 1940 (Visual breakdown of script.)
	13	A Hole in the Head, 1957 (Visual breakdown of script.)
	14	J.B., 1958 (Research)
151	1	Jewish theater, ca.1923-1930
	2	Ladies and Gentlemen, 1939 (Black and white photos mounted on disintegrating cardboard.)
	3	A Little Night Music, 1973 (Negative of film stills from Smiles of a Summer Night - the movie that inspired Sondheim to write A Little Night Music.)
	4	Love Among the Ruins, undated
152	1	Mourning Becomes Electra, 1967
<u>Box</u> 153	<u>Fol</u> 1	The Rose Tattoo, 1951
133	2	(Photo from 1950-1951 Tony Awards - it won Best Scenic Design as well as Best Actor, Best Actress, and Best Play.) Stewnswyy the Fiddler 1920
	2	Stempenyu the Fiddler, 1929

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3	The Tenth Commandment, 1926 (Jewish theater production)
4	The Tragedy of Nothing, undated (Jewish theater production)
5	The Tzaddick, 1974
6	Zorba, 1968
7	Unidentified, undated
8	Unidentified, undated (Possibly Fanny.)

Separated Materials

Models

Battleship Gertie, 2 Paige boxes. Mostly wooden model.
One Paige box has four pieces, the other has two pieces.
Fiddler on the Roof, ½" scale. 3 boards and 7 loose pieces
A Gift of Time, 1 Hollinger box. 21 one inch figures and a hat
Judith, two plaster tiles painted with frescoes.
13" x 17" and 12 ½" x 11"

Large Design (in mapcase) *The Master Builder*, 1955

Videotape cassettes to TOFT Marjorie Baldini discussing *Fiddler on the Roof*, 1989 (VHS) Stills, Tapes 1-4 (3/4")