Colum, Padraic, 1881-1972.

"Timbuktu" playscript and letter [1959]

Abstract: Playscript for Padraic Colum's "Timbuktu" and letter from Colum to "Kornfeld." Letter was laid in the playscript.
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Biographical Note

Irish writer Padraic Colum (1881–1972) published over fifty books of poetry, fiction, drama, nonfiction, children's literature, and folklore during his lifetime. Colum developed close relationships with other members of the Irish Literary Renaissance, including W. B. Yeats, Lady Gregory, George Russell [AE], James Stephens, and James Joyce. Colum was an original signer of the charter for the Abbey Theatre and wrote several of the Abbey Theatre's earliest plays, but he is primarily remembered for his poetry.

"Kornfeld" in this collection may refer to Lawrence Kornfeld (b. 1930), a theatrical figure at The Living Theatre from 1957–1961.

Sources:


Scope and Content Note

The collection contains an undated letter from Padraic Colum addressed to "Kornfeld" which is laid in the playscript of Colum's "Timbuktu." "Kornfeld" may refer to Lawrence Kornfeld (b. 1930) a theatrical figure at The Living Theatre from 1957–1961. On the first page of the playscript, there is an autographed inscription "This was given to The Living Theatre by Padraic Colum in 1959/ Julian Beck/ NYC/ Feb 1985." The play is subtitled "A Comedy in Three Acts."
Selected Search Terms

Personal Names

Kornfeld, Lawrence, 1930-

Corporate Names

Living Theatre (New York, N.Y.)

Topical Terms

English drama--Irish authors--20th century--Sources.

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Form/Genre Terms

Scripts (documents)

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Occupation

Playwrights.

Related Materials in this Repository

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Detailed Description of the Collection

Padraic Colum "Timbuktu" playscript and letter, [1959] [Box 39 F643]

Typescript and autograph letter signed.