

Colonial Theater Centennial Book

Archival Project Sponsored by the Idaho Falls Arts Council

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Project Description:

- The Colonial Theater in Idaho Falls, Idaho (formerly a Paramount Theater) turns 100 this year
- The Idaho Falls Arts Council needed assistance archiving and compiling photos and documents in order to produce a commemorative book to celebrate the centennial of the theater
- There was a great need for research and finding materials that would be well suited for this book



Process:

- Arranged and conducted research at the Colonial Theater, the Museum of Idaho, and anywhere else deemed appropriate.
- Researched and identified historical photographs and documents relevant to the history of the theater.
- Scanned all relevant documents and photographs found
- Documented as much information known about each one
- Reviewed and transcribed memories and materials that have been submitted
- Presented findings to the Idaho Falls Arts Council

Deliverables:

- Spreadsheet layout and research plan with documented information
- Content including social media comments, old interviews transcribed from archives, scanned and archived boxes of photos, and misc. documents
- Assisted in the topic creation for the chapters in the book



Next Steps:

- Ensuring that the images collected are as high resolution as possible
- Providing additional context as needed for the layout of the book
- Archival findings will serve as groundwork for the Centennial exhibition for the Colonial Theater

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