Preliminary Guide to the Fashion and Costume Plate Collection

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Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** DRA 5

**TITLE:** Fashion and costume plate collection

**DATES:** 1700–1900

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1.5 linear feet (6 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** In English, French, and German.

**SUMMARY:** The collection consists of plates, scrapbooks, and dress pattern catalogs, depicting European and American fashion, costume, and national dress primarily from the 18th and 19th centuries.

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**Requesting Instructions**

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/arts.dra.0005.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

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**Administrative Information**

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

The collection consists of plates collected by the Drama Library and the Arts of the Book Collection over many years. Scrapbooks were the gift of Mrs. Bertram W. Martus to the Drama Library, 1960.

**Conditions Governing Access**

The materials are open for research.

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Fashion and Costume Plate Collection, Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library, Yale University.

Scope and Contents
The collection consists of fashion plates from British, American, and French publications dating from the 18th through 19th centuries, including Gallery of Fashion and Modes de Paris; 19th century plates depicting national dress of individuals from various social classes and professions including Italian, Swiss, and Eastern European; plates depicting 18th century French theatrical personalities in popular roles; several 19th century American dress pattern catalogs by Butterick and McCall’s; and scrapbooks containing a variety of fashion, national dress, and theatrical plates dating from the 19th century.

Arrangement
Preliminarily arranged by type and by nationality.
### Collection Contents

#### Individual Plates

**Fashion – 18th and 19th century**

**American**

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**British**

| b.1 | Gallery of Fashion               | 1794–1797 |

**French**

| b.1 | Costumes Parisiens               | 1828–1830 |
| b.1 | Modes de Paris                   | 1828–1830 |
| b.1 | Moniteur des Dames et des Demoiselles | [18--] |
| b.1 | Société des Journaux de Modes Réunis | [18--] |
| b.1 | Miscellaneous                    | circa 1800–1899 |

**National Dress**

| b.2 | Denmark, Netherlands, England, Wales | circa 1700–1899 |
| b.2 | France                              | circa 1400–1499   |
|     |                                     | circa 1600–1799   |
| b.2 | Italy                               | circa 1700–1799   |
| b.2 | Switzerland                         | circa 1800–1899   |
| b.6 | Northern and Eastern Europe         | circa 1700–1899   |
| b.2 | Various European countries (predominantly Eastern Europe) | circa 1700–1899 |
| b.6 | Military dress of various European countries | circa 1700–1899 |

**Theatrical Costume**

**French**

| b.3 | Actors (A-V)                       | circa 1800–1899 |
| b.3 | Actresses (A-V), unidentified      | circa 1800–1899 |
### Dress Pattern Catalogs

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Scrapbooks

Five scrapbooks containing French and German national dress, costume, dance, theatrical, and fashion plates from various published sources.

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Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects
Actors -- France
Clothing and dress
Costume

Genres / Formats
Fashion plates