The University of Bristol Theatre Collection was founded in 1951 to support the establishment of Drama as an academic discipline in the UK and has grown to become one of the world’s leading collections relating to the history of British theatre and live art.

The Theatre Collection comprises over 140 named collections and archives, including actors and collectors Raymond Mander and Joe Mitchenson. It also holds artworks, audio visual material, costumes, designs, set models, playbills and programmes of this most ephemeral of art forms. It is a unique resource open to all, working to support and inspire a wide range of people, from students to creative practitioners, family historians and everyone with a passion for theatre.

The Theatre Collection has achieved both Accredited Museum and Accredited Archive Service status, and its collections have been Designated Outstanding by the Arts Council, England.

An exciting future for the Theatre Collection is planned, following the announcement of a new library development for the University. The new library will include exhibition gallery spaces to showcase the University’s world-class collections of historic books, archives and the Theatre Collection.

Do you have an interest in theatre?

Would you like to support one of the world’s largest archives relating to British theatre history and live art?

As a Friend you can support the Theatre Collection in many different ways. Since 1976, we have been actively promoting the work of the Theatre Collection, helping to fundraise and strengthen links with other cultural, theatrical and educational organisations.

It’s a great opportunity to meet other people with a passion for theatre history, design, performance and research. The Friends host a range of social activities and ‘Collections Chats’. And a variety of fundraising events have helped us to contribute to the conservation work of the Theatre Collection and purchase of items ranging from artwork to specialist exhibition cases.

Friends of the University of Bristol Theatre Collection,
Vandyck Building, Cantock’s Close, Bristol, BS8 1UP
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APPLICATION FORM

I wish to join the Friends of the University of Bristol Theatre Collection.

Subscription £15 per person

Title | First Name | Surname
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Telephone | Email
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I enclose a cheque for £________ made payable to The Friends of the University of Bristol Theatre Collection

I prefer to pay by Standing Order and have completed the form opposite

Please send your cheque/bank mandate and completed form to
The Treasurer, Friends of the University of Bristol Theatre Collection,
Vandyck Building, Cantock’s Close, Bristol, BS8 1UP

PROTECTING YOUR DATA

The Friends will hold your data in line with the General Data Protection Regulation as supplemented by the Data Protection Act 2018. Our full Policy Statement is available on request. You may change your mind about giving consent at any time by notifying us in writing either by post or email

I consent that the information described above may be used by the Friends of the University of Bristol Theatre Collection (Friends Association) to process and record my membership.

I consent to the contact information on this form being used by the Friends Association to send me information about events and fundraising activities organised by the Friends.

I consent to the Friends Association giving my contact details to the University of Bristol Theatre Collection so that they may send me information about events they organise and which they think may be of interest to me as a supporter of the Theatre Collection.

If you are a UK taxpayer please sign this section so we can claim tax relief on your subscription, at no extra cost to you. Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made today and in the future. I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give on or after today’s date.

Signature......................................................................................Date

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STANDING ORDER INSTRUCTION

Name of your Bank ........................................................................................................

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Please pay to the credit of the Friends of the University of Bristol Theatre Collection, Sort Code 60-17-12, Account No. 22146121, NatWest Bank plc, PO Box 188, 40 Queen’s Road, Bristol, BS99 5AD, the sum of £............... immediately on receipt of this instruction and continue to pay this sum annually on 1st January until further notice.

Name of A/c holder ...............................................................................................

Bank Sort Code........../........../........... A/c Number..............................................

A/c Holder’s Signature ......................... Date

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