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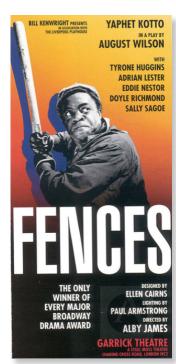
Largest Assembly of Drama Texts

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Flyer for Fences by August Wilson, Garrick Theatre, London, 1990.









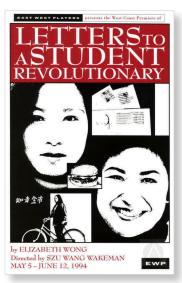
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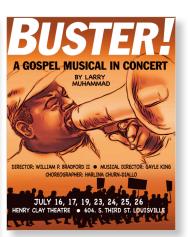
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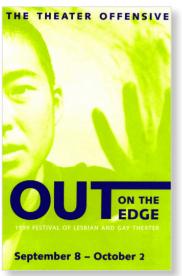
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Playbill from East West Players, Los Angeles, CA, May 5-June 12, 1994.



Cover poster for Buster!, A Gospel Musical in Concert, written by Larry Muhammad, Louisville, KY, 2014.



Brochure for the Theater Offensive's Out on the Edge Festival of Gay and Lesbian Theater, Boston, MA, September 8-October 2, 1999.



Playbill Toronto Free Theatre, Toronto, ON, 1983.

Front cover: Costume designs for the character Priestess in The Golden Fleece, by Owen Dodson, designs by Charles Sebree; Playbill from Ambassador Theatre, New York, 1978; Production still for Prudence by Barbara and Carlton Molette; Manuscript of the Lyrics of a Corrido by Teatro Desengano del Pueblo.

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