

Title: Lincoln Center for the Arts Collection

Reference Code: Mss-3346

Inclusive Dates: 1980 – 1982

Quantity: 000.03 cu. ft.

Location: Sm Mss
OS SM “L” (3 items)
OS LG “L” (8 items)

Abstract: In 1980, the Lincoln Center for the Arts was established at 820 E. Knapp Street, after the former Lincoln High School closed two years earlier. Rather than seeing the building razed, members from UW-Milwaukee’s School of Fine Arts worked with community organizers to use the building as space in which local performing and visual artists developed their craft in exchange for sharing their talents and skills with the wider community. Among the groups or individuals who worked at the Center were Theater X, Paradox Studio Theater, the Bauer Dance Ensemble, Friends Mime Theater, the Milwaukee Opera Company, Milwaukee Modern Dance Council and Sullivan Ensemble. The Center also became a middle school of the arts within the Milwaukee Public School system.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of flyers, posters, newspaper clippings, invitations and other ephemera detailing artistic work done at the Center.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Notes: Collection processed by Kevin Abing, November 2017.