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## Dictionary of the Theatre

1998-01-01

an encyclopedic dictionary of technical and theoretical terms the book covers all aspects of a semiotic approach to the theatre with cross referenced alphabetical entries ranging from absurd to word scenery

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#### 1894

1996

this book of criticism brings both theatre and film studies within a single theoretical framework

### The Field of Drama

1987

how do dramatic forms shape social formations this study of canadian dramatic structures asks this question of an extraordinarily wide range of contemporary plays knowles begins with a look at inherited naturalistic and modernist forms based respectively on time and space he then uses this division to extend his inquiry first into post naturalist forms of collective and collaborative creations community plays and historical metadramas and then into postmodernist structures of environmental theatre and dialogic monologue the book ends with a brief epilogue on the structures of spacetime as canadian theatre moves towards a quantum dramaturgy from michael cook and david french through george f walker judith thompson and sally clark to monique mojica john mighton and feminist performance art this book revolutionizes the study of contemporary canadian drama it s a thoughtful and timely advance in our ways of thinking about dramaturgical form and meaning in canadian theatrical production and in canadian society

### The Theatre of Form and the Production of Meaning

#### 1999

the aim of this book is to explore the definition s of theatre and metatheatre that scholars use when studying the ancient greek world although in modern languages their meaning is mostly straightforward both concepts become problematical when applied to ancient reality in fact theatre as well as metatheatre are used in many different sometimes even contradictory ways by modern scholars through a series of papers examining questions related to ancient greek theatre and dramatic performances of various genres the use of those two terms is problematized and put into question must ancient greek theatre be reduced to what was performed in proper theatre buildings and is everything was performed within such buildings to be considered as theatre how does the definition of what is considered as theatre evolve from one period to the other as for metatheatre the discussion revolves around the interaction between reality and fiction in dramatic pieces of all genres the various definitions of metatheatre are also explored and explicited by the papers gathered in this volume as well as the question of the distinction between paratheatre understood as paratragedy comedy and metatheatre readers will be encouraged by the diversity of approaches presented in this book to re think their own understanding and use of theatre and metatheatre when examining ancient greek reality

### **Theatre and Metatheatre**

2021-11-22

how real and imagined theatrical spaces and the relationships between them evoke meaning

### **Space in Performance**

#### 1999

howard barker author of over thirty plays has long been an implacable foe of the liberal british establishment and champion of radical theatre world wide his best known plays include the castle scenes from an execution and the possibilities all of his plays are emotionally highly charged intellectually stimulating and far removed from the theatrical conventions of what he terms the establishment theatre these fragments essays thoughts and poems on the nature of theatre likewise reject the constraints of objective academic theatre criticism they explore the collision and collusion of intellect and artistry in the creative act this book is more than a collection of essays it is a cultural manifesto for barker s own theatre of catastrophe

## Arguments for a Theatre

1993

an original and invaluable model of the elements of drama in context o toole demonstrates how dramatic meaning emerges shaped by its multiple contexts and illuminates the importance of all participants to the dramatic process

## The Process of Drama

2003-09-02

an examination of the conventions and techniques of the greek theatre of menander and subsequent roman theatre

### **The Masks of Menander**

2004-06-03

in this wide ranging study ric knowles demonstrates how the examination and practice of theatre is enhanced by an expanded semiotic approach moving from the history and theory of performance analysis to its practical application and paying particular attention to cross cultural applications he examines not what a particular piece of theatre means but how meaning is produced in the process of creating viewing and analysing theatre how theatre means presents contemporary case studies and explores intersections between a wide range of theories and methods clear and accessible this book brings a key analytical methodology to life for students practitioners and scholars

## How Theatre Means

2017-09-16

the field of performance studies embraces performance behaviour of all kinds and in all contexts from everyday life to high ceremony this volume investigates a wide range of performance behaviour dance ritual conflict situation sports storytelling and display behaviour in a variety of circumstances and cultures it considers such issues as the relationship between training and the finished performance whether performance behaviour is universal or culturally specific and the relationships between ritual aesthetics popular entertainment and religion and sports and theatre and dance the volume brings together essays from leading anthropologists artists and performance theorists to provide a definitive introduction to the burgeoning field of performance studies it will be of value to scholars teachers and students of anthropology theatre folklore semiotics and performance studies

## **By Means of Performance**

1990-05-25

this book examines the performance of greek tragedy in the classical athenian theatre david wiles explores the performance of tragedy as a spatial practice specific to athenian culture at once religious and political after reviewing controversies and archaeological data regarding the fifth century performance space wiles turns to the chorus and shows how dance mapped out the space for the purposes of any given play the book shows how performance as a whole was organised and through informative diagrams and accessible analyses wiles brings the theatre of greek tragedy to life

## **Tragedy in Athens**

1999-08-19

practitioners of the theater read play texts as if they were preparing a production of a play they are theater semioticians of a practical order

## Structures of Meaning

#### 1993

erika fischer lichte s introduction to the discipline of theatre and performance studies is a strikingly authoritative and wide ranging guide to the study of theatre in all of its forms its three part structure moves from the first steps in starting to think about performance through to the diverse and interrelated concerns required of higher level study part 1 central concepts for theatre and performance research introduces the language and key ideas that are used to discuss and think about theatre concepts of performance the emergence of meaning and the theatrical event as an experience shared by actors and spectators part 1 contextualizes these concepts by tracing the history of theatre and performance studies as a discipline part 2 fields theories and methods looks at how to analyse a performance and how to conduct theatre historiographical research this section is concerned with the doing of theatre and performance studies establishing and understanding different methodological approaches using sources effectively and building theoretical frameworks part 3 pushing boundaries expands on the lessons of parts 1 and 2 in order to engage with theatre and performance in a global context part 3 introduces the concept of interweaving performance cultures explores the interrelation of theatre with the other arts and develops a transformative aesthetics of performance case studies throughout the book root its theoretical discussion in theatrical practice focused accounts of plays practitioners and performances map the development of theatre and performance studies as an academic discipline and of the theatre itself as an art form this is the most comprehensive and sophisticated introduction to the field available written by one of its foremost scholars

## The Routledge Introduction to Theatre and Performance Studies

#### 2014-04-03

digital theatre is a rich and varied art form evolving between performing bodies gathered together in shared space and the ever expanding flexible reach of the digital technology that shapes our world this book explores live theatre performances which incorporate video projection animation motion capture and triggering telematics and multisite performance robotics vr and ar through examples from practitioners like george coates the gertrude stein repertory theatre troika ranch david saltz mark reaney the builder s association and artgrid a picture emerges of how and why digital technology can be used to effectively create theatre productions matching the storytelling and expressive needs of today s artists and audiences it also examines how theatre roles such as director actor playwright costumes and set are altered and how ideas of body place and community are expanded

### **Dramatic Acts**

#### 2012-08-24

sets forth a new provocative theory of theatre as a coherent total process it examines the ways meaning is conveyed in theatre as well as the impact of social factors on the kinds of meanings conveyed

### **Digital Theatre**

#### 2020-10-21

daring to play is the study of bertolt brecht s theatre by manfred wekwerth wekwerth aims to challenge prevailing myths and misconceptions of brecht s theatre instead providing a refreshing and accessible approach to his plays and theatrical craft

### A Sociosemiotic Theory of Theatre

#### 1990

the most thorough systematic and convincing semiotics of the theater we have I ike those of eco it is an important conceptual synthesis and a bibliographical gold mine modern language notes impresses with its thoroughness and the informed perspective of its author theatre survey a classic text theatre research international immediately accessible to readers with some knowledge of theater but not much of semiotics for anyone with an interest in theater production and performance or indeed theater history marvin carlson

### Daring to Play

#### 2012-02-13

key concepts in theatre drama education provides the first comprehensive survey of contemporary research trends in theatre drama education it is an intriguing rainbow of thought celebrating a journey across three fields of scholarship theatre education and modes of knowing hitherto no other collection of key concepts has been published in theatre drama education fifty seven entries written by sixty scholars from across the world aim to convey the zeitgeist of the field the book s key innovation lies in its method of writing through collaborative networking an open peer review process and meaning making involving all contributors within the framework of key concept entries readers will find valuable judgments and the viewpoints of researchers from north and south america europe asia africa new zealand and australia the volume clearly shows that drama theatre educators and researchers have created a language with its own grammar and lucid syntax the concepts outlined convey the current knowledge of scholars highlighting what they consider significant entries cover interdependent topics on teaching and learning aesthetics and ethics curricula and history culture and community various populations and their needs theatre for young people digital technology narrative and pedagogy research methods shakespeare and brecht other various modes of theatre and the education of theatre teachers it aims to serve as the standard reference book for theatre drama education researchers policymakers practitioners and students around the world a basic companion for researchers students and teachers this sourcebook outlines the key concepts that make the field prominent in the sphere of arts education

### The Semiotics of Theater

1992

this introduction to drama explores the aims and techniques of the particular playwrights and their plays

## Key Concepts in Theatre/Drama Education

#### 2011-07-22

anne bogart is an award winning theatre maker and a best selling writer of books about theatre art and cultural politics in this her latest collection of essays she explores the story telling impulse and asks how she as a product of postmodernism can reconnect to the primal act of making meaning and telling stories she also asks how theatre practitioners can think of themselves not as stagers of plays but orchestrators of social interactions and participants in an on going dialogue about the future we dream and then occasionally we attempt to share our dreams with others in recounting our dreams we try to construct a narrative we also make stories out of our daytime existence the human brain is a narrative creating machine that takes whatever happens and imposes chronology meaning cause and effect we choose we can choose to relate to our circumstances with bitterness or with openness the stories that we tell determine nothing less than personal destiny from the introduction this compelling new book is characteristically made up of chapters with one word titles spaciousness narrative heat limits error politics arrest empathy opposition collaboration and sustenance in addition to dipping into neuroscience performance theory and sociology bogart also recounts vivid stories from her own life but as neuroscience indicates the event of remembering what happened is in fact the creation of something new

## The Elements of Drama

1960

in this fascinating volume acclaimed theatre historian erika fischer lichte reflects on the role and meaning accorded to the theme of sacrifice in western cultures as mirrored in particular fusions of theatre and ritual theatre sacrifice ritual presents a radical re definition of ritual theatre through analysis of performances as diverse as max reinhardt s new people s theatre the mass spectacles of post revolutionary russia american zionist pageants the olympic games in offering both a performative and a semiotic analysis of such performances fischer lichte expertly demonstrates how theatre and ritual are fused in order to tackle the problem of community building in societies characterised by loss of solidarity and disintegration and exposes the provocative connection between the utopian visions of community they suggest and the notion of sacrifice this innovative study of twentieth century performative culture boldly examines the complexities of political theatre propaganda and manipulation of the masses and offers a revolutionary approach to the study of theatre and performance history

## **Understanding Theatre**

#### 1995

theatre in some respects resembles a market stories rituals ideas perceptive modes conversations rules techniques behavior patterns actions language and objects constantly circulate back and forth between theatre and the other cultural institutions that make up everyday life in the twentieth century these exchanges which challenge the established concept of theatre in a way that demands to be understood form the core of erika fischer lichte s dynamic book each eclectic essay investigates the boundaries that separate theatre from other cultural domains every encounter between theatre and other art forms and institutions renegotiates and redefines these boundaries as part of an ongoing process drawing on a wealth of fascinating examples both historical and contemporary fischer lichte reveals new perspectives in theatre research from quite a number of different approaches energetically and excitingly she theorizes history theorizes and historicizes performance analysis and historicizes theory

### The World of the Theatre

1979

theatre and performance design a reader in scenography is an essential resource for those interested in the visual composition of performance and related scenographic practices theatre and performance studies cultural theory fine art philosophy and the social sciences are brought together in one volume to examine the principle forces that inform understanding of theatre and performance design the volume is organised thematically in five sections looking the experience of seeing space and place the designer the scenographic bodies in space making meaning this major collection of key writings provides a much needed critical and contextual framework for the analysis of theatre and performance design by locating this study within the broader field of scenography the term increasingly used to describe a more integrated reading of performance this unique anthology recognises the role played by all the elements of production in the creation of meaning contributors include josef svoboda richard foreman roland barthes oscar schlemmer maurice merleau ponty richard schechner jonathan crary elizabeth wilson henri lefebvre adolph appia and herbert blau

### What's the Story

#### 2014-04-16

this work gives an inside view of chinese theatre and the actor in performance for the first time it challenges western theatre artists such as brecht grotowski barba and schechner who have extracted from chinese theatre elements which might enrich their own theatres it is based on personal observations of and dialogue with chinese actors experiences which were impossible before 1980 riley s study is well illustrated with photographs and diagrams and is accessible to anyone interested in theatre even those with no knowledge of chinese or chinese theatre

## **Theatre, Sacrifice, Ritual: Exploring Forms of Political Theatre**

#### 2007-05-07

perhaps the most important conclusion we might draw from jung is that christ s work of redemption is not complete because it only reached consciousness the coming of christ meant that evil was repressed to the unconscious psyche from where it erupts in periodic bouts of conflict such as we saw in the last century the archetypes of the collective unconscious that provide the framework of reality have no morality and it remains for the individual to fill the archetypes with their own meaning and moral direction or else they will have none just alternating patterns of light and dark antichrist and redeemer war and peace how could one ever hope to approach such a task such is the subject of jung s most important work jung deconstructed christianity and alchemy taking both back to its most psychologically important symbolic material before putting the pieces back together again in an individuation process that seeks to integrate the core archetypes ultimately leading to the realisation of a transcendent self this brings a renewal of the christ symbol in an individual symbol of the self that integrates the unconscious psyche the challenge for the reader is that jung was writing in exploratory fashion and so individuation is not addressed in one place but rather dealt with piecemeal through the collected works a large and intimidating body of work even so it is the definitive source where the reader must ultimately go to get the most from individuation there is however a place for a bridging work that helps orientate the reader and set the scene such is the goal of this book having taken so much from jung in my own life it is my humble attempt to give something back i use the concept of the theatre to take us into jung because it has certain features that aid in understanding the structure of the psyche and also a structure that can provide a more grounded and familiar context for the rest of jung s work the book includes a foreword by jacquie flecknoe brown a jungian analyst and author of the dreamer s

## The Show and the Gaze of Theatre

#### 1997

this book offers the first broad based survey of the way artists audiences and society at large are making use of social media and how the emergence of social media platforms that allow two way interaction between these groups has been held up as a game changer by many in the theatre industry the first book to analyse aesthetic critical audience development marketing and assessment uptake of social media in the theatre industry in an integrated fashion theatre social media and meaning making examines examples from the usa uk europe and australasia to provide a snapshot of this emerging niche within networked telematic immersive and participatory theatre production and reception practices a vital new resource for the field this book will appeal to scholars students and industry practitioners alike

### **Theatre and Performance Design**

#### 2012-10-02

putting food and theatre into direct conversation this volume focuses on how food and theatre have operated for centuries as partners in the performative symbolic and literary making of meaning through case studies literary analyses and performance critiques contributors examine theatrical work from china japan india greece italy france germany england the united states chile argentina and zimbabwe addressing work from classical popular and contemporary theatre practices the investigation of uses of food across media and artistic genres is a burgeoning area of scholarly investigation yet regarding representation and symbolism literature and film have received more attention than theatre while performance studies scholars have taken the lead in examining the performative aspects of food events this collection looks across dramatic genres historical periods and cultural contexts and at food in all of its socio political material complexity to examine the particular problems and potentials of invoking and using food in live theatre the volume considers food as a transhistorical global phenomenon across theatre genres addressing the explosion of food studies at the end of the twentieth century that has shown how food is a crucial aspect of cultural identity

### Chinese Theatre and the Actor in Performance

#### 1997-06-13

as the complicated relationship between music and theatre has evolved and changed in the modern and postmodern periods music has continued to be immensely influential in key developments of theatrical practices in this study of musicality in the theatre david roesner offers a revised view of the nature of the relationship the new perspective results from two shifts in focus on the one hand roesner concentrates in particular on theatre making that is the creation processes of theatre and on the other he traces a notion of musicality in the historical and contemporary discourses as driver of theatrical innovation and aesthetic dispositif focusing on musical qualities metaphors and principles derived from a wide range of genres roesner looks in particular at the ways in which those who attempted to experiment with advance or even revolutionize theatre often sought to use and integrate a sense of musicality in training and directing processes and in performances his study reveals both the continuous changes in the understanding of music as model method and metaphor for the theatre and how different notions of music had a vital impact on theatrical innovation in the past 150 years musicality thus becomes a complementary concept to theatricality helping to highlight what is germane to an art form as well as to explain its traction in other art forms and areas of life the theoretical scope of the book is developed from a wide range of case studies some of which are re readings of the classics of theatre history appia meyerhold artaud beckett while others introduce or rediscover less discussed practitioners such as joe chaikin thomas bernhard elfriede jelinek michael thalheimer and karin beier

## A Theatre of Meaning

#### 2020-06-29

edward gordon craig s ideas regarding set and lighting have had an enormous impact on the development of the theatre we know today in this new and updated edition of his well known study of edward gordon craig professor christopher innes shows how craig s stage work and theoretical writings were crucial to the development of modern theatre this book contains extensive documentation and re evaluates his significance as an artist actor director and writer craig is placed in historical context and his productions are reconstituted from unpublished prompt books sketches journals and correspondence most of the designs and photographs and many of craig s writings cited are not available elsewhere in print readers will gain insight into a key period of theatrical history the life of one of its most fascinating individuals the nature of stage performance and into revolutionary ideas that are still challenging today

## Theatre, Social Media, and Meaning Making

#### 2017-09-30

the macabre as a process and product has been haunting the theatre and more broadly performance for thousands of years in its embodied meditations on death and dying its thematic and aesthetic grotesquerie and its sensory rich environments macabre theatre invites artists and audiences to trace the stranger darker contours of human existence in this volume numerous scholars explore the morbid and gruesome onstage from freak shows to the french grand guignol from hell houses to german trauerspiel from immersive theatre to dark tourism stopping along the way to look at phantoms severed heads dark rides haunted mothers and haunting children dances of death and dismembered bodies from japan to australia to england to the united states the global macabre is framed and juxtaposed to understand how the theatre brings us face to face with the deathly and the horrific

## Food and Theatre on the World Stage

2015-06-12

theatre has provided many words and meanings which we use ignorant of their origins in everyday writing and speech this is the first book to explore 2 000 theatre terms in depth in some cases tracing their history over two and a half millenia in others exploring expressions less than a decade old terms are defined shown in use and cross referenced in ways which will fascinate theatre goers help theatre students and encourage those engaged in the theatre to examine the familiar from new angles

## **Between Production and Reception**

#### 1995

most introductory theatre textbooks are written for theatre majors and assume the student already has a considerable amount of knowledge on the subject however such textbooks may be counterproductive because they reference several works that may be unfamiliar to students with limited exposure to theatre theatre as human action an introduction to theatre arts second edition is designed for the college student who may be unacquainted with many plays and has seen a limited number of theatre productions focusing primarily on four plays this textbook aims to inform the student about theatre arts stimulate interest in the art form lead to critical thinking about theatre and prepare the student to be a more informed and critical theatregoer in addition to looking at both the theoretical and practical aspects of theatre arts from the nature of theatre and drama to how it reflects society the author also explains the processes that playwrights actors designers directors producers and critics go through the four plays central to this book are the tragedy macbeth the landmark african american drama a raisin in the sun the contemporary rock musical rent and new to this edition the american comedy classic you can t take it with you at the beginning of the text each play is described with plot synopses and suggested video versions and then these four representative works are referred to throughout the book this second edition also features revised chapters throughout including expanded and updated material on the technical aspects of theatre the role of the audience and critic and the diversity of theatre today structured into nine chapters each looking at a major area or artist and concluding with the audience and the students themselves the unique approach of theatre as human action thoroughly addresses all of the major topics to be found in an introduction to theatre text

## **Musicality in Theatre**

2016-04-29

twenty seven internationally known dramatists reflect on the modern theater the creative process and their own work

## Edward Gordon Craig: A Vision of Theatre

2013-10-11

### **Theatre and the Macabre**

2022-03-15

### **The Language of Theatre**

1998

### Theatre as Human Action

2016-02-26

### Playwrights on Playwriting

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