

LAKE GEORGE OPERA FESTIVAL COLLECTION

OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

Repository:	Folklife Center Crandall Public Library Glens Falls, NY
Creator:	Paul Bouchey
Title:	Lake George Opera Festival Collection
Dates:	1962 - present
Quantity:	6 document boxes, oversized materials
Identification:	Archives and Manuscripts
Accession #:	ACC 2022.29
Abstract:	This collection consists of various documents donated by Paul Bouchey relating to his work and the Lake George Opera Festival. Documents included are sketches and graphic designs made by Paul Bouchey, administrative documents, correspondences, advertising material, programs, historical writings, press material, newspaper clippings, and photos.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Paul Bouchey is a visual artist and Graphic designer from Lansingburg who graduated from the Catholic Central High School in 1966. He would go on to get his bachelor's degree in Visual Communication from Brooklyn's Pratt Institute. Further education involved training under a British master in faux finishing, influencing his artistic expertise in painting illusory textures. Paul Bouchey's early career involved work as a scenic artist and property master for various off-Broadway productions. This also included his involvement with the Lake George Opera Festival for over a decade. During this time, Paul was responsible for analyzing seasonal box office income, allocating promotional budget resources, subscription campaign and ticket sales, the creation of print ads and brochure visuals, managing media and public appearances, as well as contributing with artistic and administrative staff. He has also done restoration work for the Chandler Music Hall, the Cohoes Music Hall, The Clermont Estate, and various residential properties throughout upstate New York. Paul has also worked within individual modern homes, using his skills in faux finishing to repaint surfaces to suggest their construction is of a different material, one notable example being the faux marble panels he painted in the Hedley Park Place. He is also known for painting a mural known as the "La Tosca

Mia" inside the former Tosca Grill in Troy, and has even engaged as a theme painter for 2 months in the Disneyland in Hong Kong. As of 2019 Paul was working on a memoir.

INDEX TERMS

Topics: Opera
Graphic design

Places: Lake George—Warren—NY

Important People: Bouchey, Paul

Form/Genre: Scrapbooks, letters, newsletters, programs, posters, notes

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECTS

Box 001

Requests for subscriptions and requests made to members
Company lists
Miscellaneous LGOF correspondences
Correspondences with Paul Bouchey
Correspondences with Timothy Lloyd
Correspondences with Sofia Dooley
Paul Bouchey research and development
Mockups by Paul Bouchey
Bio - Paul Bouchey
Program layouts
Paul Bouchey miscellaneous (5 folders)

Box 002

Tosca Production miscellaneous

Programs Miscellaneous

Up in the Adirondacks; at the Lake George Festival, Opera Show Biz; A Summer of High Notes, Lake George Opera Festival 1981 History Lake George Opera Festival, The First Two Decades First Season Programs 1962
LGOF Programs 1965 - 1966
LGOF Programs 1967 - 1972
LGOF Programs 1973 - 1977
LGOF Programs 1978 - 1981
LGOF Programs 1982 - 1985

Box 003

LGOF Programs 1986 - 1990
LGOF Programs 1991 - 1995
LGOF Programs 1996 - 1999
LGOF Programs 2001 - 2006
LGOF Programs 2007 - 2011

Box 004

Package tours
Advertisement letters and information
LGOF party invitations and information
Apprentice artist program
LGOF newsletters
Contemporary American Operas Studio: Advision of the Lake George Opera Festival
Newspaper clippings
Season brochures 1970 - 1979
Season brochures 1980 - 1989
Season brochures 1990 - 2011
Special programs 1970 - 1979
Special programs 1980 - 1982
Special programs 1984
Special programs 1985 - 1986
Special programs 1999 - 2011

Box 005

Photographs
Affiliate Artists Inc. and Lake George Opera Festival Promotions
Artist photos and articles
Production schedules 1980 and 1981
Company contacts list
General PR information
1974 history manuscript by Paul Bauchey

New York State Award 1967
Press releases
Board of Directors meetings and correspondences
Reports, budgets, and administrative documents
Fundraising information survey materials

Box 006

Capital Area Guild photos
Capital Area Guild documents

Oversized Materials

Larger posters, paintings, and other promotional material made by Paul Bouchey
2011 resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Lake George Opera Festival