

HENNEPIN THEATRE TRUST

ORPHEUM ★ STATE ★ PANTAGES ★ NEW CENTURY

The Changing Marquees Along the Minneapolis “Great White Way”

1. Lyceum Theatre, 85 South Eleventh Street

Built and operated as Auditorium Theatre from 1905-1924; became Lyceum Theatre until 1958; Saul's Harbour until early 1970's; closed and razed in 1972 to become part of Orchestra Hall complex.

2. Radio City Theatre, 36 South Ninth Street

Built in 1928 and operated as Minnesota Theatre until 1944; became Radio City Theatre; closed in 1958; razed in 1959.

3.*Orpheum Theatre, 910 Hennepin Avenue

Built and operated as Hennepin Avenue Orpheum 1921 (see #9) became Orpheum in 1922; operated under various owners until restored to present status in 1993.

4. *Brave New Workshop, 824 Hennepin Avenue

Former site of Hirshfield's Paint & Wallpaper Co.; opened in 1995 as Hey City Theatre and formerly known as Hennepin Stages

5. *State Theatre, 805 Hennepin Avenue

Built and operated as State Theatre in 1921; became Jesus People Church 1978-1985; restored to present status 1991.

6. Pix Theatre, 729 Hennepin Avenue

Built and operated as Time Theatre until 1939; became Esquire Theatre until 1942; became Newsreel Theatre until 1948; became Pix Theatre until 1953; most recently Teener's Costume House

7. Lyric Theatre, 711 Hennepin Avenue

Built and operated 1910 as Blue Mouse Theatre until 1922; became Lyric Theatre until 1971; now the site of the Skyway Theatre.

8. *Pantages Theatre, 708 Hennepin Avenue

Built and operated as Pantages Theatre in 1916; became RKO PAN in 1946; became Mann Theatre in 1961; closed in 1984; restored to present status and reopened, November, 2002.

9. Seventh Street Theatre, 27 South Seventh Street

Built and operated as Orpheum Theatre in 1906; became Seventh Street Theatre in 1922; closed and razed in 1940; currently site of Marshall Fields/Radisson parking ramp

10. Century Theatre, 40 South Seventh Street

Built and operated as Miles Theatre in 1909 until 1915; became Garrick Theatre until 1929; became Century Theatre until 1965; razed to become Radisson Mart until 1979; site is now part of City Center. The New Century Theatre is named in homage to the Century Theatre.



Hennepin Theatre Trust, non-profit owner of the historic Orpheum, State, Pantages and the newly developed New Century Theatres, is devoted to enriching the vibrant cultural atmosphere of the Twin Cities.

11. Strand Theatre, 38 South Seventh Street

Built and operated as Saxe Theatre until 1915; became the Strand Theatre until 1928; became Forum Cafeteria in 1929; razed in 1979 to become part of City Center; served as Goodfellows Restaurant and Forum Restaurant.

12. World Theatre, 16 North Seventh Street

Built and operated as World Theatre until 1983; closed and razed to become part of Block E

13. *Shubert Theatre, 516 Hennepin Avenue

Built in 1910 and operated as Shubert Theatre until 1935; became Alvin Burlesque Theatre until 1956; became gospel church in 1956; became Academy Theatre in 1957; closed in 1983. Moved from original site at 20 North Seventh Street to current location on Hennepin Avenue and 5th Street in 1999. Owned by Artspace Projects, Inc. and is now part of the Cowles Center for Dance and the Performing Arts.

14. Gopher Theatre, 619 Hennepin Avenue

Built 1912 and operated as Grand Theatre until 1938; became the Gopher Theatre until 1979; razed to become part of City Center.

15. Aster Theatre, 607 Hennepin Avenue

Built in 1916 and operated as Aster Theatre until 1979; razed to become part of City Center

16. *Hennepin Center for the Arts, 528 Hennepin Avenue

Built in 1888 and operated as Masonic Temple Building until 1947; sold and renamed Merchandise Building; placed on National Register of Historic Places in 1975; renovated in 1977; opened as Hennepin Center for the Arts in 1979; houses various arts organizations.

17. Palace Theatre, 414 Hennepin Avenue

Built in 1914 and operated as Palace Theatre until 1953; closed, razed and now a parking lot.

18. Crystal Theatre, 305 Hennepin Avenue

Built in 1911 and operated as Crystal Theatre until 1957; razed to become part of Minneapolis Public Library.

*Theatres Still Standing

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