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Friend, Gwen

(1923 - 2016)

Born 1 January, 1923

Died 3 November, 2016, BalgowlahBalgowlah New South Wales Australia

Occupation Artist, Set designer, Writer

Summary

Gwen Friend, sister of artist Donald Friend, was a partner with Fifi Banvard in the theatrical company Fifi Banvard Productions. Gwen was responsible for set design, props, lighting, costumes and make-up. The company played a season at the Theatre Royal in Hobart, from July 1950 to March 1951, to great acclaim.

Archival resources

State Library of New South Wales

[Gwen Friend theatrical photographs and programs, ca. 1920-1961 / various photographers](#)

[Gwen Friend papers, relating to the theatre and Fifi Banvard Productions, 1903-1965](#)

National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection

[Papers of Gwen Friend, 1955-1994 \[manuscript\]](#)

Fryer Library, The University of Queensland

[Correspondence about Fifi Banvard and Gwen Friend, 2005 Jan. 31 - 2005 May](#)

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