The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person **Entry ID:** AWE6238

Friend, Gwen

(1923 - 2016)

| Born | 19230101 |
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| Died | 20161103, 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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