




**HISTORIC
THEATRE**
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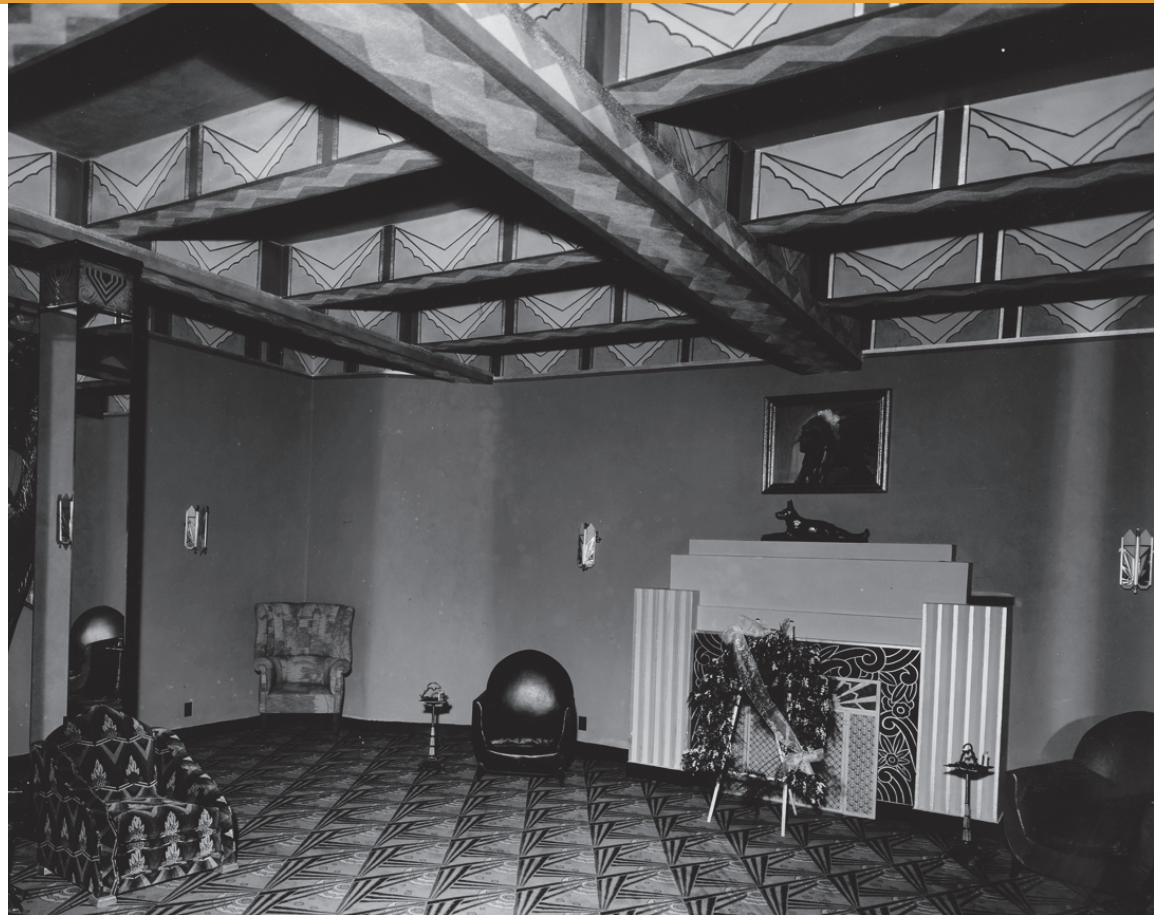
**Fox Tucson Theatre
Founding Executive Director
1999 - 2008**

**Historic Theatre
Consultants
President**

*Tucson/Pima County Historic Commission
February 22, 2024*



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The background is a detailed architectural floor plan of a theater, rendered in a light blue color. The drawing shows the stage, orchestra pit, and seating areas. Various annotations are visible, such as 'E.L. 134'-0 1/2', 'USE SCALE DETAIL SHEET #20', 'STAFF', 'E.L. 131'-8"', 'E.L. 125'-0"', 'E.L. 122'-8"', 'E.L. 100'-0"', 'PROSCENIUM', and 'ORGAN LOFT FLOOR E.L. 106'-0"'.

Background

- ❖ *Diamos Family (1912) 28 theatres in Southern Arizona*
- ❖ *Fox takes control of under-construction property (1929)*
- ❖ *Opened April 11, 1930 (501st in chain)*



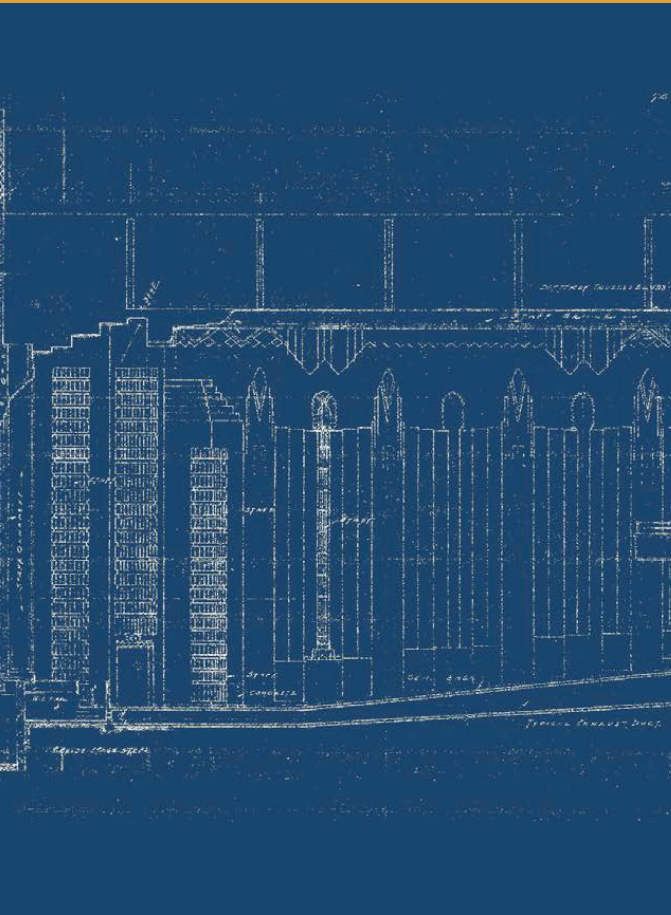
Defining Characteristics

- ❖ *Largest theatre in Southern Arizona at 1,300 seats/ 30,000 sq. ft. when built*
- ❖ *Only example of Southwestern Art Deco decór*
- ❖ *Unique acoustic material*

ORGAN LOFT FLOOR
E.L. 106'-0"

Timeline


Timeline – Built 1930



Timeline – Modernization 1956

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Timeline – Closure of Bldg. 1974 - 2005



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General Engineering A-069982-008, B04-032263-009 • Wrecking L-57-069983-009
Asbestos Abatement C-05-087332-008, BE-087337-002 • EPA I.D. # AZD 98242854
Commercial Building Moving L-05-069984-010 • House Moving C-22-042813-002

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO	Attn; Shirley Pope	PHONE	884-5001 Fax 884-0641	DATE	4-
Reliance Development		JOB NAME	Fox Theater Demolition & Backfil		
STREET		JOB LOCATION	Stone & Congress		
CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE	South Church #500 Tucson, Arizona 85701				

We hereby submit specifications and estimates for:

Provide all labor and equipment to demolish and remove the Fox Theater building slabs and floors. Remove footings where possible. Basement walls and footing adjacent building and sidewalks will be left in place to prevent damage. Basement will be broken down approximately one foot below grade. Remove the cantilevered booth and roof area over the buildings to the east. Dispose of all debris at dump site. Walkways behind these buildings may have to be closed off and protected over the roof areas prior to cantilevered sections being removed. Retail stores on Congress will remain in place as well as stores along Stone, including basement. Backfill the basements, main theater area and voids created by demolition to match grades. Work with owner to secure demolition permit. Contractor to have salvaged materials. Dump fees and taxes included. Provide the air quality permit for our work.

EXCLUDE: Removal, relocation or capping of any utilities that feed this facility or to feed other facilities or that pass through this facility to other facilities of transformers set for this property only. Testing, removal and disposal of any toxic, PCB containing or contaminated materials. Removal of any common walls. of walls adjacent to building being removed. Shoring, bracing and underpinning. of buildings adjacent to demolition. Temporary or permanent weather protection of that are to remain. Preliminary studies required for demolition permit application work in existing retail stores along Congress or Stone avenue.

BASE BID \$ 246,000.00

Note: It is the owners responsibility to provide an asbestos survey on the building. This is one of the requirements for both the demolition permit and air quality permit.



Timeline – Restoration 1999 - 2005



National Register

- ❖ Listed 2002 (*as part of Downtown listing*)
- ❖ Individually listed & elevated in 2003
- ❖ AZ Star Building – Listed in 2002
- ❖ Additional storefront listed in 2004
- ❖ Historic marker installed 2009



Key Restoration Areas











