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## **The English Scene:**

Scenes and Traces of the English Civil War Stephen Bann, 2020-05-11 The English Civil War has become a frequent point of reference in contemporary British political debate. A bitter and bloody series of conflicts it shook the very foundations of seventeenth century Britain. This book is the first attempt to portray the visual legacy of this period as passed down, revisited and periodically reworked over two and a half centuries of subsequent English history. Highly regarded art historian Stephen Bann deftly interprets the mass of visual evidence accessible today from ornate tombs and statues to surviving sites of vandalism and iconoclasm, public signage and historical paintings of human subjects, events and places. Through these important scenes and sometimes barely perceptible traces, Bann shows how the British view of the War has been influenced and transformed by visual imagery.

C.P. Cavafy in the English and American Literary Scenes Foteini Dimirouli, 2025-08-05

C. P. Cavafy in the English and American Literary Scenes. Authorizing the Other traces how the Greek Alexandrian poet C. P. Cavafy achieved global recognition through the writings and advocacy of E. M. Forster, Lawrence Durrell, W. H. Auden, Joseph Brodsky, Stephen Spender and James Merrill, writers who helped shape the 20th century English language literary scene. Moving beyond conventional reception studies, the book introduces a model of reciprocal authorization: these influential writers propelled the steady rise of Cavafy's fame in England and America and, in the process, reinforced their own identities as authors and cultural arbiters. Cavafy's poetry intersected with Forster's modernist life writing, Durrell's cosmopolitanism, Auden's and Spender's post-war explorations, Brodsky's meditations on exile and Merrill's queer aesthetics. Drawing on published works, correspondence and previously unseen archival material, this book reveals so far unexplored aspects of the texts and personalities involved in Cavafy's legitimation across languages, genres and historical contexts. It also presents these literary exchanges as a case study through which to rethink canon formation and transnational cultural validation.

**Scenes and Machines on the English Stage During the Renaissance** Lily B. Campbell, 2013-03-28 This 1923 book studies the development of English staging during the Renaissance and its relationship with the classical revival of stage decoration in Italy. The text attempts to show how, from the beginning of the classical revival of drama in Italy, staging was regarded as an accepted part of dramatic production.

*Youth Movements, Citizenship and the English Countryside* Sian Edwards, 2017-11-28 This book explores the significance and meaning of the countryside within mid twentieth century youth movements. It examines the ways in which the Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Woodcraft Folk and Young Farmers Club organisations employed the countryside as a space within which good citizenship, leisure, work, the home and the community could be developed. Mid century youth movements identified the problem of modern youth as a predominantly urban and working class issue. They held that the countryside offered an effective antidote to these problems, being a good citizen within this context necessitated a respectful and mutually beneficial relationship with the rural sphere. Avenues to good citizenship could be found through an enthusiasm for outdoor recreation, the stewardship of the countryside and work on the land. However,

models of good citizenship were intrinsically gendered      **Lettres on the English and French Nations ... translated from the French** Jean Bernard LE BLANC, 1747      *Shakespeare's Henry V* William Shakespeare, John Hort, Leela Hort, 1986

*English Scenes and English Civilization, Etc* English Scenes, 1834      *Sir William Davenant, the Court Masque, and the English Seventeenth-century Scenic Stage, C. 1605-c. 1700* Dawn Lewcock, 2008

This book examines why when how and where the scenic stage began in England Little has been written about the development of theatrical scenery and how it was used in England in the seventeenth century and what is known about the response to this innovation is fragmentary and uncertain Unlike in Italy and France where scenery had been in use since the sixteenth century the general public in England did not see plays presented against a painted location until Sir William Davenant presented *The Siege of Rhodes* at Lincoln's Inn Fields in 1661 Painted landscapes or seascapes perspective views of cities or palaces lighting effects gods or goddesses flying down on to the stage in a chariot all these had only been seen before on the masque stage at court or in the occasional private play performance This study argues that Sir William Davenant 1606-1668 was involved almost from the beginning of the process and that his influence continued after his death that although painted scenery as such would undoubtedly have appeared on the public stage after 1660 it would not have been in the same way for Davenant made particular positive contributions which brought about certain changes in both the presentation and reception of plays which would not have happened as they did without his work and influence This is new work which uses dramaturgical and scenographical analysis of selected plays and masques against known theatrical history to discover how the staging of painted settings was organised from c1605 to c1700 This kind of investigation into the links between masque staging and the staging of plays has not been done in quite this way before The study begins with Davenant's involvement with Inigo Jones and John Webb It analyses the staging of the court masques and discusses what Davenant took from this and how he used the information It suggests that the move towards verisimilitude in the drama on the scenic stage was due in part to Davenant's imaginative use of certain of the physical components of masque staging in presentations by the Duke's Company It argues that he encouraged dramatists to integrate the scenery into their plots particularly to provide for disclosures and discoveries in ways not possible before How in so doing he implicitly changed the stage conventions of time and place which audiences had accepted from the platform stage It also argues that the parallel development of operatic spectacle derived mainly from the use by Killgrew and the King's Company of the techniques for engineering the spectacular effects of the transformation scenes of the masque stage to embellish the heroic drama by Dryden and others It suggests that the two staging methods combined in the later seventeenth century to give more sophisticated ways of using the scenery and thus involved the scenic stage with the dialogue and the action in all genres but that such experimentation ended when financial and commercial considerations made it no longer viable Nevertheless it concludes that by the eighteenth century theatre practitioners had learnt to use the stage craft and mechanical techniques of the masque stage to integrate the visual with the aural aspects of a production and

that dramatists once concerned solely with the aural expression of their theme had become playwrights who allowed for the visual elements in their texts Over fifty illustrations exemplify the discussion This is an important book in the history of theatre essential background for the staging of the court masque and for the scenography of the Restoration theatre

Universal Dictionary of the English Language, 1898      The English Stage of To-day Mario Borsa, 1908      **Historical account of the English stage. Farther account of the rise and progress of the English stage** William Shakespeare, 1803      Historical account of the rise and progress of the English stage. Emendations and additions William Shakespeare, 1794      **The English Theatrical Avant-Garde 1900-1925** Simon Shepherd, 2022-12-30 The English Theatrical Avant Garde 1900 1925 unearths an extensive range of hitherto forgotten or ignored theatre practices In doing so it reveals some of the well known figures of the early twentieth century English theatre in a strikingly new light It fluently describes an intensity of innovation and experiment that together made the Edwardian theatre rather more radical and rather more queer than we've ever thought Where the majority of writing on the early twentieth century theatrical avant garde is concerned with European movements and experiments English activity of the period is often seen as parochial and conservative mainly realism and issues based drama This book presents a new model of how avant gardes might work a model based not on masculine individualism but on communal inclusion In describing this fascinating material the author introduces us to many new figures and shows familiar ones in different ways there's Florence Farr independent woman Bob Trevelyan radical pacifist and music drama pioneer Granville Barker doing fairy plays while dramatising drama Laurence Housman socialist homosexual scripting St Francis and the oddly modern J M Barrie Together they made theatre practices rich in their diversity but consistent in their attempt to be new producing a theatrical avant garde unlike any other This is a vital and indispensable new study for scholars and students of early twentieth century theatre in England and beyond

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