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Paint Frames and Floors

A constantly developing listing of painting facilities for backcloths and scenery in the UK

Aberdeen: HM Theatre	?	
Billingham :Forum	?	
Birmingham: Rep	Two,	one large, one small
Birmingham:Old Rep	No	Was in adjacent building
Blackpool: Opera House	?	
Bromley, Churchill Theatre	Slot in stage floor by rear wall is sole sign of paint frame	
Brighton Theatre Royal	Frame exists in SL painting room but is out of use	Unusual half frame for flattage also exists
Bristol Univ. Wyckham Studio	?	
Bristol: Old Vic	Under threat	
Buxton Opera House	Yes, upstage	
Cardiff New	?	
Cardiff Theatrical Services	Floor	
Carshalton, Charles Cryer Centre	Yes	
Cheltenham Everyman	Yes	
Coventry, Warwick Arts Centre	Yes	40' x 30'
Coventry: Belgrade	Yes	At workshops
Derby: Theatre (ex Playhouse)	Yes, out of use	14m x 6.7m
Dundee Rep. Theatre	Yes	
Edinburgh: King's	Yes	
Edinburgh: Royal Lyceum	Yes	
Edinburgh Roseburn Stores, ex. Howard and Wyndham	Yes	Bridge type, out of use' due to mechanical problems.
Glasgow: Citizens	Yes	Two with original winches. Listed
Glasgow: King's Theatre	Yes upstage. Out of use	
Glasgow: R.S.Conservatoire	Yes	
Harlow: Playhouse	Yes, out of use	40' wide bridge type
Harrogate: Theatre	?	
Hornchurch, Queens	Yes	
Hull: Gulbenkian	Yes	Uses stage crossover as bridge
Isle of Man, Gaiety	Yes upstage	
Leeds Grand	Yes	Two – one awaiting works
Leeds University	New	
Leicester Curve	New	
Leicester, Adrian Snell Production Services	Bridge	14m x 7m
Liverpool Playhouse	Yes	
Llandudno Grand	?	
London, Alexandra Palace Theatre	Remnants on rear stage wall	
London Brunskills, Lambeth, SE11	Interior demolished June 2011	Four
London: BBC Elstree		Three parts linkable
London: BBC TV Centre	To be demolished 2015	
London: Bloomsbury Theatre	Yes	
London: Britten Theatre	Yes	
London: Cochrane Theatre	Likely to be demolished 2015	12.5m x 6.5m
London: Elms Lester Painting Rooms	Yes, but not in regular use	
London: GSMD	Bridge	Built 1976?
London: Harkers / Flint	Not in use	Two/four

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London: Kilburn State,	Bridge type in workshop	Requires renovation
London: Kingman, Penrose St. SE17	Interior destroyed 2009 Building stands	Four recently, were eight
London, Macklin Street, WC2	Building is all that remains of former Alec Johnson frames.	Almost unrecognisable.
London: National Theatre	Shortly to be re-created in new location. 2015	Three tower type bridges
London: Old Vic Annexe	Dismantled. Remnants only	
London: RADA	Yes	
London: Sadler's Wells (Old building)	Demolished	Bridge in SR paintshop / dock
London: Theatre Royal Drury Lane	Yes, in regular use	Four
London: John Campbell, Chiswick	Floor	? John Campbell retired
Malvern Festival Theatre	?	
Manchester University	?	
Margate Theatre Royal.	On stage back wall	Reported 1930s Atherton Harrison
Mold: Theatre Clwyd	Yes	1974
Northampton Theatre Royal	Yes	Two – in adjacent building
Nottingham Playhouse	Yes	
Oldbury: Perry Scenic Ltd	Yes	
Perth Theatre	Yes	One bridge type
Plymouth, Theatre Royal	Yes	One bridge type
Southampton, Nuffield	Removed	Formerly upstage
Southsea: King's Theatre, Stirling MacRobert Centre	Extant. Out of use	
Stratford-upon-Avon, Royal Shakespeare Theatre	Was upstage. Dismantled in 1960s	Cross stage bridge is sole reminder
Sunderland: Empire	?	
Swindon, Wyvern Theatre	?	
Teddington Studios	To be demolished 2015	
Thurrock: Royal Opera House workshops,	Floors and Bridge	
Windsor: Theatre Royal	Yes	In 1963 extension workshop
York, Theatre Royal	Extant but out of use	Workshop now studio theatre
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