

Basic Detail Report



The Spurgeon Building, Once Spurgeon's Opera House

Date

Late 19th to Early 20th Century

Description

This photograph depicts the block in Santa Ana that was originally home to the Spurgeon Opera House, where African-American opera singer Flora Batson performed at on November 21, 1889. The opera house that she

performed in that night was demolished in 1913 to make way for what is now the Spurgeon Building in downtown Santa Ana. It just so happens that this theater was also the site of the first film screening in the county

Dimensions

7 x 9 1/4 in. (17.8 x 23.5 cm)