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It's Outdoor Drama Time!

It's the time of year for outdoor dramas to be performed – the artform created by Paul Green that began a movement across the country.

The Lost Colony, first performed on Roanoke Island, in 1937 was followed by 16 more.

- 1937 The Lost Colony
- 1939 The Highland Call
- 1947 The Common Glory
- 1950 Faith of our Fathers
- 1953 The 17th Star
- 1953 Serenata, (with Josephina Niggli)
- 1955 Wilderness Road
- 1957 The Founders
- 1958 The Confederacy
- 1959 The Stephen Foster Story
- 1965 Cross and Sword (*400th Anniversary)
- 1966 *Texas*
- 1970 Trumpet in the Land
- 1973 Drumbeats in Georgia
- 1976 Louisiana Cavalier
- 1976 We the People
- 1977 The Lone Star

Some of the dramas Paul Green wrote were written for important historical anniversaries and thus performed for just that year — or for two or three years. Others were performed for <u>many</u> years until the producing company was ready to move onto something else, or, as in a few cases, the community was just plain worn out. There's a whole lot of work involved with putting on these dramas "out of doors," and some summers there are many rainouts and even hurricanes.

Paul Green's Outdoor Symphonic Dramas that are still playing each summer are: *The Lost Colony* since 1937; *The Stephen Foster Story* since 1959; *Texas* since 1966 and *Trumpet in the Land* since 1970.

Maybe you could visit one of the many

dramas being produced all over the country. Check in with the <u>Institute of Outdoor Theatre</u> for information: http://www.outdoor-theatre.org/





http://www.trumpetintheland.com/

http://stephenfoster.com/





https://www.texas-show.com/





 Cross and Sword, the state play of Florida, may be reprised for the 450th Anniversary.

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