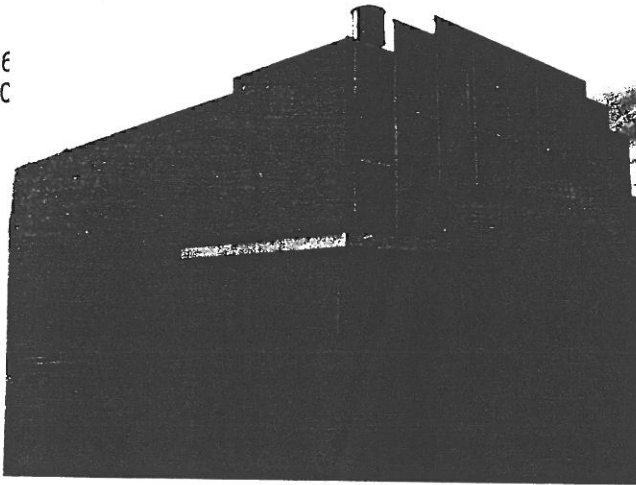


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Name
(Common) Park Street Theater
(Historic) Park Street Theater
Address 723 Park Street
Present Owner General American Theatres
Address 1350 Waverly Drive, Albany
Original Use Movie Theater
Date of Construction 1949
Map Reference Number 119

Physical description of property and statement of historical significance:

The Park Street Theater is a stuccoed reinforced concrete Moderne era building. There are retail spaces on each side of the west elevation with separate entries and large single-light windows, with the main theater entry recessed in the center of the facade. The marquee is supported by columns on each side and features sunburst shaped neon lights. The parapet is divided into colored panels with pieces of wood trim, which are probably non-original.

History

The Park Street Theater was built by a Mr. Sagert who was a farmer; a Mr. Gilenwater who ran his feed store; a Mr. Shaminek of Shaminek Bakery; and Clay Nichols who owned and operated the Lebanon Billiards. A theater builder from Vancouver, Washington named Thomas developed the building plans.

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Sources consulted:

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