Historic Quad F Theater

Restored 2009

All the quadrangle barracks were constructed with theaters for troop entertainment on weekends. The theaters provided movies and live entertainment by local bands as well as periodic balls. Most of the theaters in the quads were converted to gymnasiums during the late 20th century.



Rendering of original appearance of theater, before discovering the paintcovered mural



Restoration experts initially detected the mural under several layers of paint.



Quad F is the only quad that retains its original theater, including classical columns, carved medallions, decorative wall moldings, and a coffered ceiling decorated with stenciled wood paneling. These features were restored in preparation for the Centennial Celebration of Schofield Barracks in 2009.

During the restoration, a mural was discovered under several layers of paint on either side of the stage. The mural was painted by artists from the Works Progress Administration in the 1930s and depicts U.S. Army soldiers from the Revolutionary period up to World War II.

Further investigation revealed figures that are estimated to have been painted between 1932 and 1933, and later updated in the 1950s. The US Army Garrison Hawai`i is proud to preserve historic resources, including this unique theater. Please respect the facility and help protect and maintain it for future generations.

This room cannot be altered, repaired, or renovated in any way without consulting the Cultural Resources Manager at the Directorate of Public Works.