

Braunschweiger Staatstheater

Braunschweig's long theatre tradition began with the original *Herzögliches Hoftheater* which existed from 1690 until destruction by fire in 1856. By 1861, a new theatre had arisen on the site where it still stands, now named *Braunschweiger Staatstheater*, in beautiful park surroundings on the outskirts of the City. It was rebuilt between 1902 and 1904 to conform with the new building regulations for European theatres following the fire in the Vienna Burgtheater; and, following war damage, the theatre was restored in 1948 to the old drawings.

In 1935 a Bordoni transformer was installed for lighting control and this was replaced in 1962 by magnetic amplifier dimmers with servo-motor desk and four presets. Last summer the theatre's lighting control was brought right up to date with the installation of a 240-way 256-memory DDM—the latest type of DDM with digital wheel connected to the amber pushes in the rocker channel controllers.

