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The old portion of the building dates back to the 12th Century. The remaining ~~portion~~ portion which is the main building was built about 1750.

The Church was originally a Catholic church but was later converted to a Protestant church.

The church was last used for services in the late 50^s. A eucumenical service was held there in the 60^s.

The Church building still belongs to The Church of Ireland Committee.

The Island Players Drama Group started negotiating the leasing of the building as an Arts center in 1979.

The Centre was opened in July 1982 after 18 months work by a FÁS workforce.

It has been used mainly for drama production by The Island Players, other Kerry drama groups & The Kerry Drama Festival.

It has also been used for concerts, feiseanna and musicals. Local artists have also used it for exhibitions. Teaching of Irish music and dancing is also a very important feature of our activities.

Public meetings and other local clubs are also catered for.

A fire destroyed the building on Aug 17th 1995 but it was re-opened again on March 1st 1996 for the Kerry Drama Festival

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