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**Abstract**

Horace Trumbauer was born in Philadelphia in 1898 and became one of the city's leading architects in the early middle part of the 20th century. He established his own firm in 1890 and, with a team of talented designers, began designing mostly private residences. In 1894, he completed "Grey Towers" for William Welsh Harrison in Glenside, Pennsylvania. Several years later, he designed "Chelton House" for George W. Elkins and "Lynnewood Hall" for P.A.B. Widener, both in Elkins Park, Pennsylvania. He also created residences in other states such as New Jersey, New York, and Rhode Island.

By the middle of his career, Trumbauer had begun designing commercial and public buildings as well. Locally, he designed the Philadelphia Museum of Art in Fairmount Park and parts of the Free Library. He also designed buildings for Jefferson Medical College and the Hahnemann Medical College. He designed several college and university buildings throughout the country, most notably much of Duke University's campus in Durham, North Carolina. He also designed Widener Library at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Trumbauer died in 1938, but architects Julian Abele and William O. Frank continued and finished Trumbauer's commissioned work under the name "Office of Horace Trumbauer."

This collection contains architectural drawings and blueprints, including floorplans, elevations, sections and details for dwellings, estates and other buildings located in and around Philadelphia, Pa., New Jersey, New York, Washington, D.C., and Rhode Island. Some are for buildings that were never built, like the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad station that was supposed to be at 24th and Chestnut Streets in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. There are also some photographs, prints, and negatives.

Additionally, there are two boxes of manuscript material that primarily pertain to Duke University and include photographs, prints, printed materials, and floorplans.

## Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

## Acquisition information

Provenance unknown.

## Preferred citation

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## Bibliography

For more information on Horace Trumbauer, please visit his biography page on the Philadelphia Architects and Buildings website at:

[Trumbauer, Horace \(1868 - 1938\) -- Philadelphia Architects and Buildings](#)

## Separation report

*Arte italiana decorativa e industriale: periodico mensile pubblicato sotto il patrocinio del Ministero di agricoltura, industria e commercio* Anno. III 9:10 (1894).

## Subject headings

Architects –Pennsylvania –Philadelphia  
Architectural drawings  
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Elevations  
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Philadelphia (Pa.)--Buildings, structures, etc  
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Sections  
Universities & colleges --North Carolina --Durham  
  
Duke University  
Free Library of Philadelphia  
Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia  
Jefferson Medical College  
Philadelphia Museum of Art

Dixon, Fitz Eugene  
Elkins, George W., 1819-1904  
Trumbauer, Horace, 1898-1938  
Widener, Peter Arrell Brown, 1834-1915

## Box and folder listing

### Large drawings and images

(Please note: Items V36:1-43 are individually cataloged and described in OPAC.)

Folder number	Folder title	Dates	Extent
V36:1	24 <sup>th</sup> Street elevation station for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, Philadelphia, PA	ca. 1927	2 folders
V36:2	Mr. F. E. Dixon – Country house, Elkins Park, PA	1919-1921	1 folder, 2 rolled items
V36:3	Mr. J. B. Duke – Country house, Somerville, N.J.	1913	1 folder
V36:4	Mr. J. B. Duke – Residence, 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue and 78th Street, New York City, NY	1909	1 folder
V36:5	Duke University. Durham, NC – Chapel.	1925-1930	1 folder
V36:6	Duke University – Gymnasium and field house	1925-1930	1 folder
V36:7	Duke University – Dormitory group	1927-1930	1 folder
V36:8	Duke University – view of campus toward medical school	1925-1930	1 folder
V36:9	[Duke University building]	1925-1930	1 folder
V36:10	Mr. Otto Eisenlohr – Residence, 3812 Walnut St., Philadelphia, PA	1910-1911	1 folder
V36:11	Mr. George W. Elkins – Residence, Elkins Park, PA	1899-1911	2 folders
V36:12	Colonel William. L. Elkins – Residence, Ashbourne, PA.	1898-1901	2 folders
V36:13	Hon. George F. Huff – House, 1622 18th St. N.W., Washington, DC	1907	1 folder
V36:14	Hon. George F. Huff – Residence, Washington, DC	1906	1 folder
V36:15	Mr. Thomas P. Hunter – Residence, Haverford, PA.	1909	3 folders
V36:16	Mr. E.C. Knight Jr. – Residence, 1629 Locust St., Philadelphia, PA.	1902	2 folders
V36:17	Mr. George McFadden – Alterations and additions to residence, Rosemont, PA	1922	1 folder
V36:18	Martin Maloney Esq. – Residence, Spring Lake, NJ	1898-1930	3 folders
V36:19	Mr. John C. Martin – Residence, Greenwood Ave and Church Road Wyncote, PA	1922-1927	3 folders
V36:20	Mr. Robert L. Montgomery – Residence, Villanova, PA	1911-1914	1 folder

V36:20	Mr. Robert L. Montgomery – Residence, Villanova, PA (photonegatives)	n.d.	1 folder
V36:21	Mr. George F. Kearney – Survey of 260 South 9th Street, Philadelphia, PA (aka “Bonaparte House”) done by George Clarence Johnson, A.I.A.	1947	1 folder
V36:22	Mr. Hubert T. Parson – Residence “Shadow Lawn,” West End, NJ	1928-1930	6 folders, 1 rolled item
V36:23	Henry Phipps Esq. – Country house, Great Neck, Long Island, NY	1916-1917	1 folder
V36:24	Mr. J. S. Phipps – Alterations and additions to residence, Westbury, Long Island, NY	1910-1913	2 folders
V36:25	Mrs. Alexander Hamilton Rice – Residence, 901 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave. New York City, N.Y.	1922-1923	4 folders
V36:26	Free Library of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA [VERY FRAGILE]	1917-1918	10 rolled items
V36:27	Mr. F. P. Mitchell – Residence, Washington, DC	1911-1912	1 rolled item
V36:28	Mr. Henry Welsh Rogers – Residence, 58 Park Ave., New York City N.Y.	1909	1 folder
V36:29	Mr. Edgar T. Scott – Residence, Lansdowne, PA	1906-1907	1 rolled item
V36:30	E.T. Stotesbury Esq. – Residence, Chestnut Hill, PA	1915-1918	2 folders
V36:31	Mr. William Storrs Wells – Residence, Newport, RI	1900	1 folder
V36:32	Eleanor Elkins Widener – Residence, Bellevue Avenue and Yznaga Court, Newport, RI	1912-1913	2 folders
V36:33	P.A.B. Widener, Esq. – Alterations and additions to farm house, County Line and Washington Lane, Montgomery County, PA	1899-1912	1 folder
V36:34	P. A. B. Widener Esq. – Residence, Ashbourne, PA.	1898-1929	3 folders, 1 rolled item
V36:35	Wildenstein and Co. Inc. building – 19 and 21 East 64 <sup>th</sup> Street, New York City, NY	1931-1932	2 folders
V36:36	Williams Realty Company – House no. 2, York Road and Brook Road, Abington Township, Montgomery County, PA	n.d.	1 folder
V36:37	Unidentified residence – Adams & Brown, Asbury Park, photographers	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:38	Suggestion for a bank and office building	n.d.	1 folder
V36:39	Jefferson Medical College – new building, Philadelphia, PA	1928-1929	1 folder
V36:40	New York Evening Post – building, West Carlyle and Washington Sts., NYC, NY	1925	1 folder

V36:41	Charlotte Cushman Club – Alterations and additions, 1010 Spruce Street, Phila., PA	1927	1 folder
V36:42	Mr. James Speyer – Residence, 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave. and 87th Street, New York City, NY	1911-1913	1 folder
V36:43	[Unidentified building] (MISSING as of 10/26/07)	n.d.	1 folder

### Small drawings and images

(Please note: Items V36:44-87 and the manuscript materials are not individually cataloged and described in OPAC.)

Folder number	Folder title	Dates	Extent
V36:44	“B-C-D” -Baker, Raymond T. -Bell, John C. – residence – Philadelphia -Belmont, Hon. Perry – residence – Washington, DC -Clews, James B. – Brookville, Long Island, NY -Douglas, Mrs. A. L. – NYC -Curtis Publishing House (see Public Ledger Building) -Berwind Mausoleum -Benjamin Franklin Hotel	n.d.	1 folder
V36:45	“E-F-H-I-J” -Eisenlohr, Edward – residence – Philadelphia -Eisenlohr, Marie – residence – Philadelphia -Free Library of Phila./Wm. B. Elkins Rare Book Room -Harrison estate – Glenside -Huff – residence – Washington, DC -Huhn, George – residence – Philadelphia -Irvine Auditorium -Hahneman Medical College of Philadelphia -Harvard University – School of Geography -Jefferson Medical College -Jenkintown Railroad Station	ca. 1906- ca. 1928, n.d.	1 folder
V36:46	Baltimore and Ohio Railroad – proposed station at 24 <sup>th</sup> and Chestnut Streets	ca. 1927	1 folder
V36:47	Dixon, J. E. estate – “Roneale Manor,” Elkins Park, PA	ca. 1920	1 folder
V36:48	Miramar (Newport R.I.) – Mrs. Alexander Hamilton Rice – residence	ca. 1920	2 folders
V36:49	“Miscellaneous” Views of buildings by other architects: -Park Avenue Building – NYC – Buchman & Kahn -Lincoln memorial – Washington, DC	n.d.	1 folder

	-Sherry-Netherland Hotel – NYC – Schutlze & Weaver -Savoy-Plaza Hotel – NYC – McKim, Mead, & White -NY Skyline – American Telephone Building – Voorhees, Guelin & Walker -Shelton Hotel – Arther Loomis Harmon -American Telephone Building – Voorhees, Guelin & Walker -F.L. Wurzburg – residence – Horne J. Lindberg -“The Archer” – Stockholm, Sweden – Carl Milles -Bertrand Taylor – Mill Neck, Long Island – Horne J. Lindeberg -Columbia Presbyterian Medical center – NYC – James Gambe Rogers -Green Hill farms hotel – Overbrook – Bright & Sternfeld		
V36:50	“N-P-S” North Broad St. Station Public Ledger Building Satterswaite Tomb – Laurel Hill Cemetery → moved to Berwind Scott, Mrs. Edgar estate – Lansdowne, PA Slater, Mrs. E.H. – Washington, DC Patterson House – Washington, DC	n.d.	1 folder
V36:51	Philadelphia Museum of Art	n.d.	1 folder
V36:52	Phipps, J.S. – residence (“The Chimneys” – Howard C. Brokaw estate, Brookville, Long Island – now Manhattan Country Club)	n.d.	1 folder
V36:53	Stotesbury Mansion – 3 views “Whitemarsh Hall”	n.d.	1 folder
V36:54	Widenstein Building	n.d.	1 folder
V36:55	Widener, P.A.B. – residence	ca. 1900	1 folder
V36:56	Widener Memorial Hall – Harvard University	n.d.	1 folder
V36:57	Widener Summer School – Longport, NJ	n.d.	1 folder
V36:58	Widener Memorial Industrial Training School for Crippled Children - Philadelphia	n.d.	1 folder

### Medium drawings and images

Folder number	Folder title	Dates	Extent
V36:59	Roneale Manor – F. E. Dixon – Elkins Park, PA	n.d.	1 folder
V36:60	Philadelphia Free Library, Logan Circle	n.d.	1 folder
V36:61	Philadelphia Museum of Art, Fairmount Park	n.d.	1 folder
V36:62	Hotel Stenton	n.d.	1 folder
V36:63	Mausoleum for Mr. E.J. Berwind – West Laurel Hill Cemetery	n.d.	1 folder



V36:64	Residence of Mrs. James B. Clews – exterior – No. 1 E 62 <sup>nd</sup> Street, NY	n.d.	1 folder
V36:65	Residence for Herbert N. Strauss – exterior – E 71 <sup>st</sup> Street, NY	n.d.	1 folder
V36:66	Reading Company, North Broad St. Station – exterior - Philadelphia	n.d.	1 folder
V36:67	Reading Company, North Broad St. Station – exterior - Philadelphia	n.d.	1 folder
V36:68	Suggestion for Jefferson Medical College and Dispensary – Philadelphia	ca. 1928	1 folder
V36:69	Proposed Chapel for Ogontz School, Rydal, PA	n.d.	1 folder
V36:70	“Washington Monument and PA Museum” – woodcut by Edward L. Palmer	n.d.	1 folder
V36:71	Unidentified townhouse – exterior	n.d.	1 folder
V36:72	Unidentified townhouse – exterior	n.d.	1 folder
V36:73	Unidentified townhouse – exterior	n.d.	1 folder
V36:74	Sketch of unidentified building (railroad station?)	n.d.	1 folder
V36:75	Watercolor sketch of unidentified church	n.d.	1 folder
V36:76	Unidentified residence – exterior	n.d.	1 folder
V36:77	Fifth Avenue elevation – Design A and Design B	n.d.	1 folder
V36:78	Duke University. Durham, NC – aerial views	n.d.	1 folder
V36:79	Duke University – main entrance	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:80	Duke University – study of tower for chapel	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:81	Duke University – view from south of the dormitories	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:82	Duke University – Duke Memorial Chapel	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:83	Duke University – chapel	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:84	Duke University – Crowell Tower	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:85	Duke University – study of tower for School of Business Administration	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:86	Duke University – unidentified (probably Abele)	ca. 1930	1 folder
V36:87	Duke University – 1 watercolor sketch (MISSING as of 3/13/2001)	ca. 1930	1 folder

**Manuscript material**

<b>Box number</b>	<b>Folder title</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Extent</b>
1	Photo portfolio of Duke University	ca. 1925-1930	41 items
2	Photo album of Duke University drawings	ca. 1925-1930	1 item
2	Prints of Duke University and J. B. Duke	ca. 1925-1930	4 items
2	Printed material on Duke University and its architecture	ca. 1932-1938	5 items

2	Floorplans of Duke University Medical School and Hospital	n.d.	7 items
2	Photographs and negative of Duke University buildings	n.d.	17 items
2	Horace Trumbauer-photograph	n.d.	1 item