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Guide to the

**Manhattan building histories**

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## Summary

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**Abstract:** The Office of Metropolitan History conducts research on the history of New York City buildings. The collection consists of building reports, histories of buildings in Manhattan, New York, prepared by the Office for Metropolitan History, under the directorship of Christopher Gray, between 1978 and 1994, the bulk between 1978 and 1983.

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## Creator History

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## Scope and Content Note

Building reports, histories of buildings in Manhattan, New York, prepared by the Office for Metropolitan History, under the directorship of Christopher Gray, between 1978 and 1994, the bulk between 1978 and 1983. Reports consist mostly of histories of private residential buildings, though some notable buildings are described, including: the Bonwit Teller Building, Graham Court, the Park and Tilford

Building, Claremont Stables, the Jewish Theological Seminary, and the St. Agnes Apartments. Reports include information about builders, architects, owners, and residents, and variously; histories, biographies, occupancy surveys, photocopied images of photographs, Notice to Build Applications, plans, newspaper clippings, land maps, conveyances, directories, and other historical documents.

**Arrangement:** Alphabetical, by borough, street name - avenue and street names based on numbers first - then by building number.

## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Architecture -- New York (State) -- New York

### **Geographic Names**

Manhattan (New York, N.Y.) -- Buildings, structures, etc.

New York (N.Y.) -- Buildings, structures, etc.

### **Names**

Gray, Christopher, 1950-2017

Office for Metropolitan History

## Container List

- b. 1 f. 1 721 Fifth Avenue 1978  
Bonwit Teller Building
- b. 1 f. 2 1923 Seventh Avenue 1979  
Graham Court
- b. 1 f. 3 18 West 11th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 4 7 West 16th Street 1982
- b. 1 f. 5 140 East 19th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 6 565 West 23rd Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 7 214 East 26th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 8 122 East 30th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 9 156 East 30th Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 10 206 East 30th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 11 211 East 30th Street 1981  
Adams Memorial Church
- b. 1 f. 12 219 East 30th Street 1980
- b. 1 f. 13 36 East 38th Street 1978  
Edward Gorey Residence
- b. 1 f. 14 109 East 40th Street 1979  
Earnest Flagg Residence
- b. 1 f. 15 213 East 48th Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 16 228 East 48th Street 1980  
Kurt Vonnegut Residence
- b. 1 f. 17 220 East 51st Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 18 152 East 62nd Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 19 14 East 63rd Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 20 20 East 65th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 21 49 East 67th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 22 230 East 68th Street 1980
- b. 1 f. 23 122 East 70th Street 1982
- b. 1 f. 24 242 East 72nd Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 25 100 West 72nd Street 1978  
Park and Tilford Building
- b. 1 f. 26 21 East 73rd Street 1981
- b. 1 f. 27 11 East 74th Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 28 32 West 75th Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 29 110 West 75th Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 30 16 East 76th Street 1983
- b. 1 f. 31 55 East 76th Street 1983  
The Imperial
- b. 1 f. 32 59 East 77th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 33 152 West 77th Street 1978
- b. 1 f. 34 115 East 78th Street 1978

- b. 1 f. 35 175 East 78th Street 1979
- b. 1 f. 36 112 West 78th Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 1 136 East 80th Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 2 350 East 84th Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 3 207 East 85th Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 4 16 West 88th Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 5 159 West 88th Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 6 506 East 89th Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 7 167-171 West 89th Street 1982  
167, 168, 169 West 89th Street Stable Buildings
- b. 2 f. 8 133 East 92nd Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 9 138 East 92nd Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 10 16 East 93rd Street 1983
- b. 2 f. 11 112 East 95th Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 12 120 East 95th Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 13 143 West 95th Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 14 17 West 96th Street 1978
- b. 2 f. 15 891 Broadway undated  
Gorham Apartments
- b. 2 f. 16 3080 Broadway 1979  
Jewish Theological Seminary Buildings
- b. 2 f. 17 222 Central Park South 1980  
Gainsborough Studios
- b. 2 f. 18 41 Convent Avenue 1994  
St. Agnes Apartments
- b. 2 f. 19 12 Gramercy Park 1979
- b. 2 f. 20 19 Gramercy Park 1978
- b. 2 f. 21 16 and 24 Hudson Street 1979
- b. 2 f. 22 105 Hudson Street 1977
- b. 2 f. 23 10 Park Avenue 1993
- b. 2 f. 24 530 Park Avenue 1978
- b. 2 f. 25 863 Park Avenue 1979
- b. 2 f. 26 1111 Park Avenue 1979
- b. 2 f. 27 1141 Park Avenue 1979
- b. 2 f. 28 8 Platt Street 1981
- b. 2 f. 29 67 Riverside Drive 1978  
The Riverdale
- b. 2 f. 30 120 Riverside Drive 1979
- b. 2 f. 31 12 St. Mark's Place 1979
- b. 2 f. 32 31 Sutton Place 1979
- b. 2 f. 33 634 West End Avenue 1978