

# The Architecture of McKim, Mead & White, 1879-1915: A Comprehensive Guide to Their Masterpieces

McKim, Mead & White was one of the most influential architectural firms in American history. Their work, which spanned the late 19th and early 20th centuries, helped to shape the look of American cities and towns. Their buildings are known for their classical beauty, their attention to detail, and their use of the latest building technologies.



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This book is a comprehensive guide to the masterpieces of McKim, Mead & White. It features over 200 photographs of their most famous buildings, including the Boston Public Library, the New York Public Library, and the Pennsylvania Station. The book also includes essays by leading architectural historians that explore the firm's design philosophy and its impact on American architecture.

## The Early Years: 1879-1893

McKim, Mead & White was founded in 1879 by Charles Follen McKim, William Rutherford Mead, and Stanford White. The firm's early work was primarily in the Beaux-Arts style, which was popular in France at the time. The firm's first major commission was the Boston Public Library, which was completed in 1895. The library is a monumental building that is considered one of the finest examples of Beaux-Arts architecture in the United States.



### **The American Renaissance: 1893-1915**

In the 1890s, McKim, Mead & White began to move away from the Beaux-Arts style and towards a more American Renaissance style. This style was inspired by the architecture of the Italian Renaissance, and it featured simpler forms and more restrained decoration. The firm's first major commission in the American Renaissance style was the New York Public

Library, which was completed in 1911. The library is a magnificent building that is one of the most iconic landmarks in New York City.



The New York Public Library

## **The Legacy of McKim, Mead & White**

McKim, Mead & White dissolved in 1915, but their legacy continues to this day. Their buildings are still some of the most admired and iconic in the United States. The firm's work helped to shape the look of American cities and towns, and their influence can still be seen in architecture today.

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This book is a must-have for anyone interested in the history of American architecture. It is a beautifully illustrated and comprehensive guide to the masterpieces of McKim, Mead & White. Free Download your copy today!

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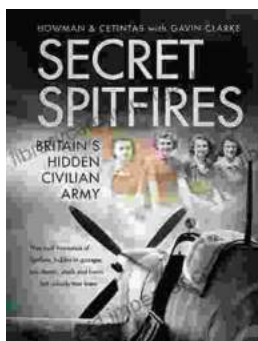


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