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## **Summary Information**

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**Creator:** Boak & Paris (Firm)

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Title: Annice Alt research papers on Boak & Paris / Boak & Raad

**ID:** 12136430

**Date [inclusive]:** 1940s-2000s

**Physical** 2.5 linear feet

**Description:** 

Physical Description:

13 drawings

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**Material:** 

English.

## Biographical sketch

Annice Alt is a New York-based architectural historian and author of the book Boak & Paris / Boak & Raad: New York Architects (2014).

## **Biographical sketch**

Russell Boak (1896-1981) began his architectural career in 1912 as a junior draftsman in the office of Emery Roth. He later advanced from senior draftsmand to designer. Hyman Paris (1894-1966) also worked at Emery Roth in the 1920s having previously worked in the office of Gaetan Ajello. Boak and Paris left Emery Roth in 1927 to start their own firm Boak & Paris. They primarily designed apartment buildings, but among their commissions includes the Midtown (now Metro) Theatre. In 1944, Boak formed a new partnership with Thomas O.

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Raad. The continued to focus primarily on apartment buildings, including commissions with the prominent real estate development firm Rose Associates. When Raad retired from the partnership in 1965, the firm changed to Russell M. Boak & Associates. Boak closed the firm in 1972.

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### Scope and content

The collection consists of research papers complied by Annice Alt in preparation for the book Boak & Paris / Boak & Raad: New York Architects (2014), and includes newspaper clippings, notes, contemporary photographs of buildings, real estate advertisements, and building information reports created by Alt. The collection also inclues 10 original ink on linen drawings for the Boak & Raad limited profit housing project, Leland House (Bronx, NY); one perspective rendering by Rowe Langston for the David Rose 1945 commissioned apartment, The Thornley, at 215 E. 79th Street (New York, NY); and reproduction of two drawings for the Boak & Paris apartment house 331-345 West 57th Street (New York, NY).

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#### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

- Apartment houses -- New York (State) -- New York
- Architecture -- New York (State) -- New York -- History
- Architects -- New York (State) -- New York -- Biography
- History -- Research
- Boak, Russell M., 1896-1981
- Paris, Hyman, 1894-1966
- Raad, Thomas O., 1896-1981
- Russell M. Boak & Associates
- Rose Associates, Inc

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