

Prentice, Andrew Noble 1866 - 1941



Andrew Noble Prentice [also known as A. N. Prentice] was born in Greenock, Renfrewshire Scotland on 20 April 1866. After studying at the University of Glasgow, he was articled to William Leiper (1839-1916) in Glasgow from 1883 to 1888. He then remained with him as an assistant for a further year. He also worked as an assistant to Thomas Edward Colcutt from 1890 to 1892.

Prentice qualified as an architect in 1891 and was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (ARIBA) later that year. He commenced independent practice as an architect in Glasgow in 1893 and from 1893 was in partnership with William M. Dean (1876-1933) in the London-based architecture practice Prentice & Dean. The partnership was dissolved in 1920, and after working for a period alone, formed another partnership, Prentice, Scapling & Wheatley, with H. J. Scapling and Arthur Henry Wheatley in London in 1935. The partnership was dissolved in 1940.

Prentice designed numerous houses in the Arts and Crafts style in Gloucestershire and Worcestershire. He was a Soane Medallist in 1888 and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1902. He was the author of *Renaissance Architecture and Ornament in Spain* (Batsford, 1893).

Prentice's address was given as 36 Chelsea Gardens, London in 1891; Hastings House, 10 Norfolk Street, Strand, London in 1893 and 1941; and 2 Pembridge Gardens, Bayswater, London in 1902.

He died in Greenock, Strathclyde, Scotland on 23 December 1941

A biographical file on Andrew Noble Prentice is available on request from the enquiry desk, RIBA Library, London

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Works

33 Bruton Street, London (1894); Bohun Lodge, Barnet, Middlesex (1894); House, Park Circus, Glasgow (1894); 4 Hamilton Place, London (1894); Bolney House, Knightsbridge, London (1896); 37 First Avenue, Brighton, Sussex (1896); House, Greenock, Scotland (1898); Cavenham Hall, Cavenham, Suffolk (1899); Auchendoune, Doune, Perthshire (1899); The Retreat, Lakenheath, Suffolk (1899); 56 De Pary's Avenue, Bedford, Bedfordshire (1900); Kiosk, Glasgow International Exhibition (1901); 4 Yorke Road, Reigate, Surrey (1901); Fryern, Rook Lane, Chaldon, Surrey (1901); Ormidale, The Avenue, Royston Park Estate, Pinner, Middlesex (1901); Witham Hall, Witham-on-the-Hill, Lincolnshire (1903); Chelwood Manor, Nutley, Sussex (1904); 15 Eglinton Drive, Kelvinside, Glasgow (1904); Murray Lodge, Newmarket, Suffolk (1905); St Mary's Church, Filey, Yorkshire (1906); Court Farm, Broadway, Worcestershire (1907); Orchard Farm, Broadway, Worcestershire (1907); Barn House, Broadway, Worcestershire (1908); Six Bells Inn, Witham-on-the-Hill, Lincolnshire (1908); Furzen Lease, South Cerney, Gloucestershire (1908); Abbot's Grange, Broadway, Worcestershire (1908, 1912); Gardener's cottage, Russell House, Broadway, Worcestershire (1910); Notgrove Manor, Notgrove, Gloucestershire (1910); Dumbleton Hall, Dumbleton, Gloucestershire (1910); Buckland Manor, Buckland, Gloucestershire (1910); Luggershill, Broadway, Worcestershire (1911); Stenigot Manor, Donington on Bain, Lincolnshire (1911); Examination Hall for the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Queen Square, London (1911); Snowfield, Bearsted, Kent (1911); Little Snowfield, Bearsted, Kent (1912); Top Farm, Willersey, Gloucestershire (1912); Lintrathen, Greenock, Scotland (1912); Cottages, Edgeworth Manor, Gloucestershire (1913); Further Barton, Cirencester, Gloucestershire (1914); Symington Lodge, Biggar, Lanarkshire (1914); Lifford Memorial Hall, Broadway, Worcestershire (1915); Combend, Elkstone, Gloucestershire (1921); Villa Bijou, 19 Avenue de la Costa, Monte Carlo, Monaco (1921); Daglingworth Manor, Daglingworth, Gloucestershire (1922); Warneford House, Sudgrove, Gloucestershire (1924); Villa, Lerici, Italy (1926); St Martin's Library, Westminster, London (1928); Cottage, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire (1934) North Bay House, Oulton Broad, Norfolk; (c.1934); Interior design of ocean liners: S.S. Orvieta (1909), S.S. Oriento (1909), S.S. Otway (1910), S. S. Orama (1924); S.S. Otranto (1925), S.S. Orford (1928), S.S. Orontes (1929), S.S. Manoora (1935).

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