

Worthington, John Hubert 1886 - 1963



John Hubert Worthington [also known as Sir John Hubert Worthington; and as Hubert Worthington] was born in Chorley, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, England on 4 July 1886 and studied at Manchester School of Architecture. He was articled to his father, [Thomas Worthington](#) (1826-1909), from 1905 to 1907 and then, from 1907 to 1910, to his older brother, [Percy Scott Worthington](#) (1864-1939) with whom he remained as an assistant until 1912. He also worked as an assistant to Sir Edwin Landseer Lutyens (1869-1944) in 1912-13. Worthington qualified as an architect in 1912 and commenced practice in c.1913 in Manchester. He was in partnership with Percy Scott Worthington as [Thomas Worthington & Sons](#) and later with his son, Thomas Shirley Scott Worthington (1900-1981).

John Hubert Worthington was Professor of Architecture at the Royal College of Art in London from 1923 to 1928; lecturer in Architecture at Oxford University in 1929; and Ferens Lecturer in Fine Art at University College, Hull in 1933-34 and 1941.

He was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (ARIBA) in 1912 and a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1930. He was Vice President of the Royal Institute of British Architects from 1943 to 1945, and was President of the Manchester Society of Architects. He was also a member of the Architecture Club and the Union Franco-Britannique des Architectes. He was awarded the RIBA Architecture Bronze Medal for Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire in 1935 and he was knighted in 1949.

His address was given as 17 Queen Anne's Gate, London, and 22 Gayton Road, Hampsted, London in 1912; Lombard Chambers. 46, Brown Street, Manchester and Broomfield, Alderley Edge, Cheshire in 1914; Royal College of Art, South Kensington, London in 1923 and 1928; 178, Oxford Road, Manchester in 1923 and 1939. He died in Cheshire on 26 July 1963.

Worked in

UK

Works

War Memorial Cloister and Armoury at Sedbergh School, 1924; domestic work at Alderley Edge, Wilmslow, Chinley, Windermere, Grasmere, Porlock; groups of cottages at Knutsford, 1914, Alderley Edge, 1921, Clifton (Lancs), 1925. Church decoration: — St. Paul's Church, Bury, 1924; St. Philip's, Salford; Clifton Church (Lancs) War Memorials: — Watts' Warehouse, Philip's Warehouse, Simon's Warehouse, Manchester; and Alderley Church, Cheshire. the Cotton Textile Section, and the Wool Section Portico, British Empire Exhibition. 1924. Recent buildings by Thomas Worthington and Sons in collaboration with the former's brother, Dr. Percy S. Worthington: — Notably work for Manchester University, and hospital work. [Source: Whgo's Who in Architecture 1926]

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