

## Pilichowski, Ammon Vivien 1907 - 1982

Ammon Vivien Pilichowski [also known as A.V. Pilichowski; A. V. Pilley; Vivien Pilley; and as Ammon Vivien ] was born in Chevreuse, France on 28 September 1907 and studied at the Architectural Association in London. He subsequently joined Berthold Lubetkin's Tecton partnership in London and in the 1930s worked on several architectural projects, including Highfield Court in Golders Green, London, and Whittinghame College in Brighton, Sussex. He also designed furniture.

Photographs of a kitchen-dining room and a sitting room designed by him, and of a vegetable cupboard and a kitchen cupboard designed by him and made by the Hendon Joinery Works are illustrated in 'Decorative Art' 1950-51 (pp. 37, 41, 64); six photographs Pilley's own apartment in St. John's Wood, London are illustrated in 'Decorative Art' 1951-52 (p.13); and a photograph of a birch chair with detachable legs designed by A.V. Pilley and made by C. Jay Cole & F. A. Cole Ltd. is illustrated in 'Decorative Art' vol. 42, 1952-53 (p.46).

During the early 1930s he was in partnership with [Berthold Lubetkin](#) (1901-1990) as B. Lubetkin and A. V Pilichowski. A house they designed in Plumstead, London in 1934 is discussed in The Book of the Modern House, edited by Patrick Abercrombie (1939 pp. 68-69). Pilichowski was also in partnership with [John Henry William Izod](#) (1909-1940) as Izod and A.V. Pilichowski. Photographs and a plan of a house in Surrey, and of a dining room in a house in Surrey designed by them are illustrated in 'Decorative Art' 1937 (pp. 23, 38, 71).

Pilichowski was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (ARIBA) in 1932 and by 1950 had been elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA). He was also a Member of the Society of Industrial Artists and Designers (MSIAD).

Pilichowski lived in St. John's Wood, London, for many years. During World War Two he served in the Royal Air Force. He died in London on 10 August 1982

Worked in  
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Most of Pilichowski's architectural projects were in the London area. These included shops, restaurants, a dental surgery and private residences.

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## Links

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