Wright, Alexander 1877 - 1972

Alexander Wright [also known as Sandy Wright] was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1877. From 1892 to c.1894 he gained work experience in the office of James Miller (1861-1947) in Glasgow before being articled to John Hutchison (c.1841-1908) in Glasgow from c.1894 to c.1897. He then worked as an assistant to a succession of architectural practices from c.1897 to 1907 including Wardrop & Anderson, Clarke & Bell, Alexander Cullen (1856-1911), E & W S Maxwell, and John Burnet & Son. Wright also attended classes at Glasgow School of Art from 1892 to 1901.

Wright commenced independent practice in Glasgow in c.1907. In 1911, with Edward Grigg Wylie (1885-1954), he formed the architectural partnership Wright & Wylie in Glasgow. The firm closed during the duration of World War One whilst both partners were on active service in the military. It resumed in 1919. In 1928 Wylie's nephew, Frederick Robert Wylie (1904-1982) was made a partner in the practice which was then renamed Wylie, Wright & Wylie. The partnership was dissolved in 1935. Wright then worked on his own until the mid-1940s when he formed a partnership with John Shields Kay as Alexander Wright & Kay with an office in Glasgow.

Wright was elected a Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (LRIBA). He was also a member of the Glasgow Institute of Architect and its President in the early 1940s. He died on 30 May 1972

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