

## Sheppard (Richard) & Partners 1938 - ?

Richard Sheppard & Partners was established in London, England in 1938 by [Richard Herbert Sheppard](#) (1910-1982) and his wife, [Jean Sheppard](#) (1911-1974), both graduates of the Architectural Association School in London.

In 1949 [Geoffrey Robson](#) (1918-1991) became a partner in the practice and in 1958 the name of the firm was changed to [Richard Sheppard, Robson & Partners](#) [later Sheppard Robson].

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The practice has specialised in the design of educational buildings and subsequently designed some eighty schools. During the 1960s and 1970s they designed several university and college buildings including for Manchester Polytechnic and Imperial College, London, and at Loughborough (1961–66), Leicester, Brunel (1968–73), the City of London (1969–70). Their most admired building in this field is Churchill College, Cambridge, designed in 1959.

Other works by the practice have included shipyard buildings for Swan Hunter on the River Tyne (1950); a large shopping centre at Wood Green, north London; and office buildings in the City of London. Some twenty buildings designed by the practice have received architectural awards.

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- Architecture of Churchill College

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- Official website of Sheppard Robson

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- RIBApex! - nearly 300 images of buildings designed by Sheppard & Robson

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- NLA London <https://nla.london/members/sheppard-robson>