

Norman Baker (1885-1968)

“Resident Architect”

Norman Baker (1885-1968), who designed the Broadway School in Greenlawn, which today serves as the Harborfields Public Library, was a prominent architect who worked with the New York firms of George B. Post and Sons, Delano & Aldrich and Harrison & Abramowitz. His work included the design and supervision of construction on major landmarks, including Rockefeller Center, the Daily News Building, the UN, Lincoln Center, and Oheka Castle.

Mr. Baker also designed and built many Colonial-style buildings and on Long Island, some in association with his wife, Florence Baker who was a noted landscape designer, founder of the Huntington Roadside Committee, and active locally and nationally in community planning, beautification projects, and conservation efforts. His ideas about adapting Colonial style to 20th century homes were incorporated in his book *Early Houses in New England*, published in 1967.

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