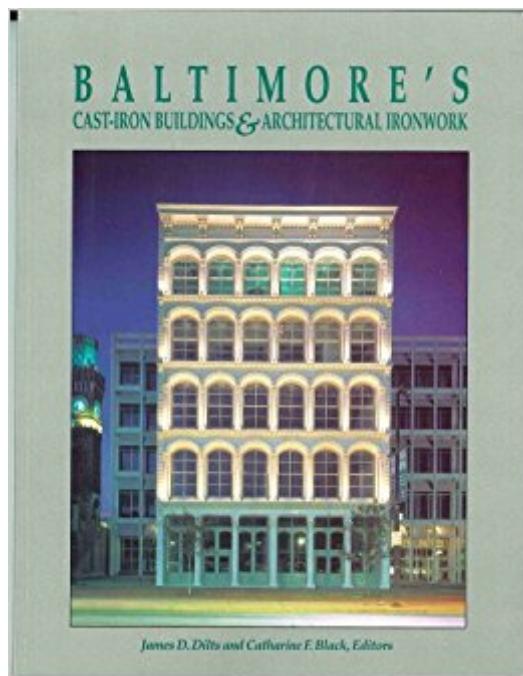


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# Baltimore's Cast-Iron Buildings & Architectural Ironwork



## **Synopsis**

Baltimore was an innovator in the development of cast-iron architecture, but the city's heritage of buildings in this genre, once numbering more than a hundred, has dwindled to only a handful today. The Baltimore region also had a long tradition in iron production, beginning with the colonial era and continuing through the 1950s as Sparrows Point became the single largest steel complex in the world. Baltimore's Cast-Iron Buildings is a celebration of a unique aspect of Baltimore's architectural and industrial history. The authors examine cast-iron buildings in an integrated way to show how the material was fabricated and the buildings erected. They also explore the cast and wrought ironwork used for gates, fences, railings, and ornaments. The heavily illustrated work includes ironwork catalogs from the mid-1800s.

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I used this as a guide to some cast-iron work done in my county and found aspects of Baltimore history that I did not know at all! So appreciative of this historical summary...it is a gem on an aspect of American workmanship I was unaware of!

Outstanding book. Excellent Seller!

Baltimore is a treasure trove of gorgeous buildings. Dilts' book on its cast iron designs simply solidifies the city's architectural beauty.

In Baltimore's Cast-Iron Buildings & Architectural Ironwork, James Dilts and Catherine Black effectively collaborate to present a collection of knowledgeable essays on Baltimore's unique architectural heritage. These commentaries include J. Scott Howell's The Founder's Art; David G. Wright's The Sun Iron Building; Phoebe B. Stanton's The Peabody Library; and Robert L. Alexander's Architectural Ironwork. Highly recommended for personal, professional, and academic architectural studies collections, Baltimore's Cast-Iron Buildings & Architectural Ironwork is further enhanced for architectural students with a directory of buildings, ironwork catalogs, bibliography, and an index.

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