

**Cleveland Architects**

**Austin Company**

**Birth/Established:** 1861 **Death/Dissolved:** present

**Biography:**

The Austin Company was founded by English-born Samuel J. Austin (1850-1936). Samuel Austin finished his apprenticeship in 1871 settling in Cleveland where he became a house carpenter. The company started as Samuel Austin, Carpenter-Contractor with offices at 4401 Broadway. The company would later become Samuel Austin and Son Company when son Wilbert Austin (1878-1940) joined the company. The company would move its operations to 14230 Euclid in East Cleveland. It expanded into one of the nation's largest building concerns, designing and constructing huge industrial buildings. They brought important energy-saving innovations into factory plans. Austin Company was hired by the Soviet government to build a large industrial plant and housing for the Nijni auto plant in Novogorod, Russia. By 1931 the company had designed over 5,000 industrial plants and had over 17 branch offices. The company remains based in Metropolitan Cleveland, with offices in Mayfield Heights. It became a part of Kajima USA Group in 2005.

**Building List**

Structure	Date	Address	City	State	Statue
Reliance Manufacturing	1917		Massillon	OH	Unknown
Laidlow Works	1917		Cincinnati	OH	Unknown
Standard Equipment	1917		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Dayton Metal Products	1918		Dayton	OH	Unknown
United States Automatic	1918		Amherst	OH	Unknown
Factory	1918		Buffalo	NY	Unknown
Engine Machine Company	1918		Matoon	IL	Unknown
CAS Products	1918		Columbus	OH	Unknown
Barker Asphalt Company	1918		Madison	IL	Unknown
Cleveland Automatic Machine Company	1918		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Sunny Point Packing Company	1927		Ketchikan	AK	Unknown
W. F. Schlothans Shipyards	1927		Ketchikan	AK	Unknown
Geometric Stamping Company	1929		Euclid	OH	Unknown
Chase Brass and Copper	1929		Euclid	OH	Unknown
Gorky Auto Plant	1931		Nizhny Novgorod	Russia	Unknown
Kettering Hall of Science	1961	130 West Loarain Street	Oberlin	OH	Standing
Williams Ice Rink	1963	200 Woodland Street	Oberlin	OH	Standing
Langston Hall (North Hall)	1963	95 Union Street	Oberlin	OH	Standing
Musterole Company	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Frantz-Premier Company	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Cape Town Explosives	nd		Cape Town	OH	Unknown
West End Chemical Company	nd		Death Valley	CA	Unknown
Nela Park	nd		East Cleveland	OH	Standing
Chase Brass and Copper	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Geometric Stamping	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Canton Steel Foundry	nd		Canton	OH	Unknown

Gram-Bernstein Company Factory	nd		Lima	OH	Unknown
Edgewater Steel Company	nd		Oakmont	PA	Unknown
Ordinance Engineering Company	nd		Baldwin	NY	Unknown

**Sources:**

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