

Property History

Washington Irving Intermediate School, located in the village of Tarrytown, N.Y., was founded in 1925. The building was designed by James O. Betelle of Gilbert & Betelle architects of New Jersey in a Georgian style. The brick building with its arched doorways and white borders has a welcoming, residential feel, perfect for the 4th and 5th graders who attend classes there. The school is named after the author Washington Irving, who was born in Tarrytown in 1783. He is renowned for his works Rip Van Winkle and The Legend of Sleepy Hollow, which takes its name from the neighboring town of Sleepy Hollow.

Project Description

Grand Light restored ten chandeliers from the school's auditorium and fabricated custom exit sign faceplates with a matching finish.

Each chandelier was cleaned then stripped of its existing finish which had tarnished beyond any salvageable point. Each component was chemically patinated and hand burnished giving the fixtures a rich dark brass finish, which is what they had been when they were originally made for the school. In addition to the refinishing of the components, several mechanical and structural defects were repaired, and missing cast finials and bobeches were replaced with replicated components. A UV resistant top coat was applied to all of the metal components to assure the fixtures long lasting beauty.

In addition to the finish, structural, mechanical, and component replication, each fixture was rewired and had all of its electrical components replaced and UL HIPOT tested.

Grand Light also fabricated eleven custom exit sign faceplates. Concept sketches were drawn to guide our metalworkers in the fabrication of the faceplates. A rich dark brass finish was applied, matching the new finish of the restored auditorium chandeliers.

Client

Public Schools of the Tarrytowns

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Project Webpage

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