

Block: 550 Lot: 26

10 East 8th Street



Address: 10 East 8th Street
Building Name: NA
Construction Date: 1835
Original Owner: Sailors' Snug Harbor; John Johnston, original lessee
Original Architect: unknown
Original Use: Residential
Historical Notes: Owned by Sailor's Snug Harbor, the land was leased to John Johnston in the 1830s. He built this building in 1835. A 4th floor was added and the facade renovated in the 1870s. In 1904, it was converted into a factory and showroom. No. 10 one of the only buildings in the row that were not part of the 1916 redevelopment by Sailors' Snug Harbor. NYU acquired the building in 1949.
Landmark Status: 1949.
Building Type: Greenwich Village Historic District
Number of Stories: R1
Street Facade: 4 + basement

Original & Historic Features

General

- Red brick facade with stone lintels and sills.
- Wood cornice (50%) dates to c. 1870s alteration; half of cornice was later removed when part of the 4th story was altered.

Ground Floor

- Door frame and ornament at storefront date to c. 1870s alteration.
- Historic sheet metal cornice above storefront (c. 1870s).

Non-Historic Alterations

General

- Masonry is painted; underlying brick is red but the type and color of the stone lintels and sills could not be determined.
- Replacement 1/1 wood windows (100%).
- Half of the fourth floor was removed; skylight is a later addition.
- Steel fire escape.

Ground Floor

- Original stoop removed and building entrance recessed from the building plane.
- Modern door and security gate.
- Storefront window probably projected from the masonry following the plane of the historic entry cornice.
- Basement storefront windows were installed as part of later alteration. Stuccoed spandrel between the ground floor and basement is non-historic.
- Sliding security gates at basement windows.
- Air-conditioning units in storefront transoms.
- Non-historic light fixtures attached to brick at entry.

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Existing Condition Photographs



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Historic Photograph, ca. 1940

