

# Edward Baack

## New York City

- 1809 Heinrich Eduard Baack born in Hamburg (*NLI*)
- 1832 emigrated to US (or possibly 1838)
- 1837 Baack & Paulus, musical inst dealer & importer (dir)
- 1839-1844 Edward Baack, #55 Gold St., musical inst. (dir)
- 1840 naturalized citizen (nat. doc.)
- 1845-1849 now at #81 Fulton St, manuf & imp of mi (dir)
- 1845 manuf. & importer of double and single action harps (dir)
- 1846-1852 second location at #72-1/2 Chatham St.; also selling bronze powders & gold leaf (dir)
- 1850-1875 now at #87 Fulton St.; flutes, flageolets, drums, music boxes, accordeons, hand organs, melodeons, violins, guitars, & brass of all kinds (dir)
- 1856 listing for Philadelphia, musical inst., #78 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. (dir)
- 1859 a fire partially destroys his shop; he used the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and basement of #87 Fulton St. (news article)
- 1871 Baack in bankruptcy court (*NY Times*, Dec 1)
- 1872 listed at #147 Fulton St. (possible error in directory)
- 1875 listed as musical instruments, #87 Fulton St. (dir)
- 1880 no occupation in Census, 8 children at home
- 1884 wife Catharine dies at age 63
- 1893 Edward dies on November 17<sup>th</sup>



Top photo Excelsior Band

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A historical advertisement for Edward Baack's musical instrument shop. The ad features a detailed illustration of a multi-story building on the left. The text is written in a decorative, cursive font. At the top, it says "New York, March 26 1870". Below that, it reads "M. Baack Paul &amp; Prancier are" and "Manufacturers &amp; Importers of Musical Instruments." The address is given as "87 Fulton Street, between William &amp; Gold Streets." At the bottom, it says "Terms 30 days".