

Giardinelli Band Instrument Co.

New York City

- 1939 Robert Antonio Giardinelli (1914-1996) emigrates from Italy; listed as accountant; born in Catania
- 1942 enlisted in the US Army; occupation listed as misc. manufacturing
- 1947 starts instrument repair shop; #151 W. 46th St. near Broadway (bottom photo); he learned instrument making from his father in Sicily
- 19?? Starts making brass mouthpieces
- 1970s screw-rim mouthpiece becomes popular
- 1982 John Stork now making the custom mouthpieces
- 1984 mouthpiece business sold to Scheiwiller Mid-State Leasing Corp. and consolidated in Liverpool, NY (*Musical Merchant Review*)
- 1990s Giardinelli mouthpieces bought by Musician's Friend
- 2017 current trumpets and mouthpieces are made in the Czech Republic and marketed to students

The original shop on 46th Street is owned by Jon Baltimore Music Co.

