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# Church Street Bridge, Yarra River



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## Location

south end Church Street,RICHMOND, City of Yarra

## Municipality

YARRA CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1917

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO239

## Heritage Listing

Yarra City

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 8, 2008

This property is on the Victorian Heritage Register - H1917.

For more information on this property, refer to the Victorian Heritage Register information.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - Richmond Conservation Study, John & Thurley O'Connor, Ros Coleman & Heather Wright, 1985; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Associates, 1998; Yarra - City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Associates, 2007;
Construction dates	1923,
Hermes Number	103153
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## Physical Description 1

The Church Street Bridge is a three-span bridge of reinforced concrete construction over the Yarra River, connecting Richmond and South Yarra. Three segmental arches span the river, above which are a series of semi-circular arched openings. The two piers between the arches are embellished with foliated cement rendered decoration. The bridge supports a two lanes of traffic, double tramlines and two pedestrian paths; the latter are cantilevered from the bridge structure, and have classically detailed consoles.

At street level, the balustrading comprises a series of rendered panels pieced with vertical openings; these terminate at the Richmond and South Yarra approaches with curved, panelled low walls. Eight pillars are regularly spaced along the length of the bridge, four on each side, and have classically derived ornament, typical of Anner's work during this period. The engaged swagged Ionic columns rest on moulded pedestals, and support modillioned entablatures. Above these are unusual Mannerist finials, square in plan, tapering as they rise and decorated with wreaths on each side. The finials terminate in curved pediments with volutes, above which are smaller conical finials surmounted by orbs. Each pillar supports four Victorian style cast iron and glass lanterns.

## Integrity

not assessed

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