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# Drysdale Free Library

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## Location

18 High Street, DRYSDALE VIC 3222 - Property No 253140

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1620

HO75

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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The Drysdale Free Library was erected in 1881 to Victorian eclectic designs by Geelong Architect Alexander Davidson. The picturesque Library is a rendered building with moulded architraves, string course quoining, and central projecting porch. The windows have flat arched heads with a keystone. A timber hall is at the rear of the Free Library. The style is characteristic of the work of Alexander Davidson in the 1880's and shows the influence of French historical sources in the stylised details.

## References

The Queenscliffe Sentinel 18-10-1884 describes the timber hall at rear.

Willingham, Allan 'Two Scots in Victoria: The Architecture of Davidson and Henderson', Master of Architecture thesis, University of Melbourne, 1983.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Bellarine Heritage Study, Huddle, Howe, Lewis and Francis, 1996;
Hermes Number	21473
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