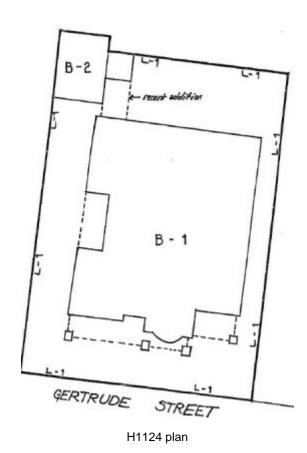
# **RESIDENCE**



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# Location

9 GERTRUDE STREET GEELONG WEST, GREATER GEELONG CITY

# Municipality

**GREATER GEELONG CITY** 

#### Level of significance

Registered

# Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1124

# **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO689

#### VHR Registration

November 30, 1995

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

# Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 3, 2000

The residence at 9 Gertrude Street, Geelong West was constructed of concrete in 1921-22 for RL Clement. The building of the house is attributed to George Neunhoffer, a local builder with a high reputation for quality work.

The residence, 9 Gertrude Street, Geelong West is of architectural, scientific and social significance to Victoria.

The residence is of architectural significance as an essentially intact, well built and detailed early 1920's example of the Californian bungalow style of architecture. It demonstrates a particularly strong American influence in the use of low pitch roof, broad spreading eaves, dramatic use of heavy timbers and placement of wide solid piers. Both the house and the garage are important for their demonstration of outstanding craftsmanship and decoration in a style contemporary with their date of construction. The use of dark stained timber throughout the building is typical and extensive, as is the incorporation of several well detailed built-in features such as bureaus, the remains of a fold-away bed and shallow fireplaces.

The residence is of scientific significance as an extraordinarily early example of concrete construction technology used for residential purposes. In the pursuit of cheaper building methods after World War I, in-situ concrete was pursued by many and was finished off with a textured or broom-finish stucco. The construction technique became increasingly popular during the 1920s and by the mid 30s concrete houses rivalled those built of brick, particularly in the fashionable end of the market.

The residence is of social significance for its American architectural influence, which is important for cultural reasons that evolved around the 1920s and 30s. At that time Australia was increasingly influenced by many aspects of American life and California was seen as a model for what Australia might one day become.

#### **Permit Exemptions**

#### **General Exemptions:**

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must <u>notify</u> the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions here.

Construction dates 1921,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Other Names PINEVILLE,

Hermes Number 2152

**Property Number** 

## **Extent of Registration**

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1124.

Residence, 9 Gertrude Street, Geelong West, City of Greater Geelong.

Extent:

- 1. All of the building known as 9 Gertrude Street marked B-1 and the garage marked B-2 excluding the recent addition on Plan 601499 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
- 2. All the land described in Certificate of Title Volume 4638 Folio 927565 marked L-1 on Plan 601499 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council. [Victoria Government Gazette No. G47 30 November 1995 p.3350]

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/