Victorian Heritage Database Report

Nundah



HO96 (1) - 600 Barkly Street, West Footscray.JPG



HO96 (2) - 600 Barkly Street, West Footscray.JPG

Location

600 Barkly Street, WEST FOOTSCRAY VIC 3012 - Property No 1008015400

Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO96

Heritage Listing

Maribyrnong City

Statement of Significance

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Nundah is significant to Victoria because:

- architecturally, Nundah is an exemplary and unusual Californian Bungalow design, judged within the State, with its Arts & Crafts and Asian influences clearly expressed in the detail, form and use of field stone (Criterion F1);
- it possesses a distinctive Chinese/Japanese character and thus expresses clearly the Californian Bungalow style's origins as well as the skill of design execution within the idiom (Criterion A4, B2, F1);

- its distinctive style and external preservation, including its unusual boundary fence, provides a strong expression of one of the region's strong growth eras, after WW1 (Criterion A4);

- it is the design of noted architectural firm, Schreiber & Jorgenson who have been also associated with other outstanding Californian Bungalow examples (Criterion H1); and

- historically, the house is closely linked with the locally prominent Whitehill family whose community presence extended from the provision of basic services (milk) to the creation of large residential subdivisions in the region and related leased housing (Criterion H1).

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Architecturally, an exemplary Bungalow (design by an architectural firm associated with other outstanding examples) which possesses a distinctive Chinese/Japanese flavour, thus expressing clearly the style's origins as well as the design execution within the idiom. Historically, closely linked with the prominent Whitehill family whose community presence extended from the provision of basic services to the creation of large residential subdivisions and related leased housing.

Australian Heritage Commission (AHC) criteria

The Australian Heritage Commission criteria consist of a set of eight criteria which cover social, aesthetic, scientific, and historic values. Each criterion has sub-criteria written specifically for cultural or natural values. The relevant criteria are:

F.1 design or technological achievement .

A.4 demonstrates well the course and pattern of history, important historic events

B.2 rarity

H.1 association with important person or group

Heritage Study/Consultant	Maribyrnong - Maribyrnong Heritage Review, Jill Barnard, Graeme Butler, Francine Gilfedder & Gary Vines, 2000;
Construction dates	1924,
Other Names	Whitehill house,
Hermes Number	28979
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Another extraordinary Californian Bungalow design for the Whitehill family ownership, this example draws heavily on the Far Eastern inspirations of the style, with its Chinese/Japanese horn-shaped verandah brackets, pergola porch, pergola entry portal, and stepped metal trellis fence panels. Contrasted with these linear details are the solid elements, including textured stucco wall surfaces, fence piers and the distinctive quartz (?) pebble piers which support its verandah and gateway. Otherwise the contra-posed gabled roof forms (with cement Marseilles pattern tile), slim attic window slots, name sign, and privet hedges are all typical elements of the style.

Physical Conditions

Probable painting over of natural pebble finish, reputed internal alterations< verbal from owner: painted timber panelling, fireplaces altered.

Physical Description 2

Context Adjoins timber Bungalows (602 former doctor's surgery, 598) and, further east, relates to the gabled roof forms of brick detached houses. Otherwise, it is set in a contemporary commercial area.

Historical Australian Themes

Thematic context Australian Principal Theme Building settlements, towns and cities PAHT Subtheme Making suburbs Local Theme(s) Employers' Housing

Physical Description 3

Map (Melway) 41 H3 Boundary description The title land and buildings with emphasis on fabric from or near the construction date and Whitehill occupation. Heritage Significance State Creation date(s) 1924-5 Local Government Area City of Maribyrnong Ownership Type Private

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