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## Ian Bow Sculpture - McLelland Gallery



B7088 Ian Bow Sculpture

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### Location

Mc Clelland Drive,, LANGWARRIN VIC 3910 - Property No B7088

### Municipality

FRANKSTON CITY

### Level of significance

File only

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - April 18, 2005

This cast metal sculpture executed by Ian Bow in 1966 is one of the interesting fringe cases and worthy for that reason of classification at Local level. The work is one of the most public examples of the artist's oeuvre and therefore, one of the most familiar to a wide audience. The work is a good and representative example of the artist's distinctive style. In the context of the original commission, the fountain represents a reasonable good interpretation of the allocated space and it works well as a sculpture and as a fountain. Although Ian Bow is unlikely to be considered as having exercised a highly significant influence over the course of modern Australian art, a claim could certainly be made to the effect that he was, especially during the 1960s, a notable, lively and successful member of the Melbourne post-war art scene, working on the fringe of the mainstream of modern Australian art. He was awarded a number of public commissions and his style of humanist abstraction (or stylised figuration) is of some definite interest within the story of modern art in this city.

Classified 'Local': 18/04/1992

File Note: Originally located at Capital House Arcade, 113 Swanston Street, Melbourne. Relocated by 15/02/2011 to McClelland Gallery, McClelland Drive, Langwarrin.

Other Names      Cast Metal, Untitled Sculpture,

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