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Location

22 The Boulevard IVANHOE, Banyule City

Municipality

BANYULE CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO65

Heritage Listing

Banyule City

Statement of Significance

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Featherstone House is of state architectural and historical significance. It was designed by prominent mid-20th century architect and critic Robin Boyd for Mary and Grant Featherstone, notable industrial designers who provided furniture of their own design for the house. The house is an unusual and original design, literally an integration of interior and exterior, and is well adapted to its site.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & Associates, 1999; Banyule - Heidelberg Conservation Study, Graeme Butler and Associates, 1985; |
| Construction dates | 1968, |
| Hermes Number | 31439 |
| Property Number | |

Historical Australian Themes

Featherstone House is one of a number of houses built in the City of Banyule by prominent architects, such as Robin Boyd, in the 20th century. The house is one of a number of buildings in the City of Banyule which has received recognition from the Royal Australian Institute of Architects awards. Boyd won a Citation in the R.A.I.A. (Victoria) Awards in 1972 for this house, four years after its design. The skillion roofed form was popularised by architects such as Frank Dixon, Mockridge, Stahle and Mitchell, as well as Boyd himself, in the early 1950s.

Usage/Former Usage

Original use: Residence

Current use: Residence

Physical Conditions

Good

Physical Description 1

BUILDINGS: Located on a steeply sloping site, Featherstone House comprises two adjoining sections of different heights, constructed of cream brick with reinforced concrete floors and skillion roofs clad with translucent fibreglass. A carport is located at the top of the site. Internally, beams and rafters are exposed in the large 'garden room', which has an earth floor and a large timber framed window wall facing south. Elevated platforms provide bedroom, studio, living and dining accommodation. Each of the rooms contains furniture designed by the Featherstones. **LANDSCAPE:** 22 The Boulevard appears to retain much of the natural vegetation of the area.

Intactness

Good

Physical Description 2

Lot 1, Fairy Hills Estate

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