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# Temperance Hall - Bendigo



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## Location

24-30 View Street, BENDIGO VIC 3550 - Property No B1421

## Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Level of significance

State

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1335

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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Construction of the Temperance Hall began in the late 1850's as a meeting place and public hall for the local Temperance Society. A single storied brick hall to a classical design of local architects, Vahland & Getzschmann, opened in February 1861. In 1896, a two-storied rendered brick section was designed by James Blair. The early 1861 hall has a fine interior, with high level window openings and featuring Palladian arched mouldings lining the walls. The building is of historical and social merit as one of the few surviving examples of purpose built temperance halls in the state. Architecturally, it has a well composed principal facade and the 1860 hall is an important example of severe Palladian Classicism. The hall's interior is of particular note for its finely proportioned

internal space, wall detailing, natural lighting and 2 early frescoes of landscape scenes..Of interest is also the decorative stucco work and concealed total immersion baptismal font under the raised stage, and built of brick or early concrete. This latter feature dates to 1863-64 when the hall was used by a local Baptist congregation.

Classified: 01/08/1963

Classified: 02/09/1971

Revised classified: State: 03/08/1998

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