
House at 104 Esplanade



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WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons
Bay Heritage Study 2006

Location

104 Esplanade WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO118

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The apartment complex, constructed in 1941, at 104 Esplanade, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The apartment complex at 104 Esplanade, Williamstown is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobson's Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it illustrates the continuing development of Victoria Street and the Esplanade as fashionable Williamstown addresses during the Interwar years. (AHC criteria A4 and D2)

Aesthetically, it is a locally rare and superior example of an intact Interwar apartment building on a prominent corner site, which retains original details such as the contemporary fence and is complemented by an early garden layout. Situated on a prominent corner site it contributes to the historic character of Victoria Street and the Esplanade. (AHC criteria B2 and E1)

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Hermes Number 15049

Property Number

Physical Description 1

A two-storey, detached asymmetrical interwar clinker brick block of apartments with a hipped terracotta tiled roof. Like many of its period, it demonstrates a number of stylistic influences popular at the time including Moderne and Georgian Revival. It is set back from its two street frontages by a manicured garden. A related three car clinker brick garage is at the side of the building and there is a further garage to the rear. Other significant original elements include:

- Multi-pane double-hung sash windows situated on the corners.
- Curved balcony and entrance porch. The arched entrance porch has tapestry brick dressings and a carriage lamp. There is a window of glass bricks.
- Tall clinker brick chimneys
- Low clinker brick front fence
- The near original garden layout, including serpentine concrete path, and possible remnants of earlier exotic plants.

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - High. Condition - Good

Physical Description 2

Context

The apartment block relates in terms of its scale, siting and roof forms to the single residences in the Esplanade and Victoria Street. There is a similar block of interwar apartments on the opposite corner.

Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

Physical Description 3

Associations

Mary Morgan.

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