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# HOUSE



85 McPherson Street.JPG



Moonee Valley Heritage  
Review 1998

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## Location

85 MCPHERSON STREET,, ESSENDON VIC 3040 - Property No 188603

## Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO259

## Heritage Listing

Moonee Valley City

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## Statement of Significance

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The house at 85 McPherson Street, Essendon, was built in 1890 for Thomas William Armistead. It is aesthetically important (Criterion E) as one of the larger villas of the locality having an unusual plan form expressed with exceptional timber ornamentation to the windows and roof and demonstrating that timber construction was the equal of masonry for its capacity to express the flamboyance of the Land Boom period.

Heritage Study/Consultant Moonee Valley - City of Moonee Valley Heritage Study, Andrew Ward, 1998;  
Construction dates 1890,  
Hermes Number 23985  
Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

An unusual symmetrical timber villa with cast iron verandah to the facade returning around both sides and terminating at jerkin head roofed projecting wings, the bracketed eaves being extended across the face of the wings in the form of a cornice. The weatherboards are rusticated whilst the front windows have extended bracketed sills with fielded panels beneath. The roof retains its patterned slate cladding. The condition is sound and integrity is high.

## Historical Australian Themes

4. Building settlements, towns and cities. 4.1.2. Making suburbs (Essendon)

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