James White "Queen Victoria Memorial"



B6468 Queen Victoria Memorial

Location

Linlithgow Avenue,, MELBOURNE VIC 3004 - Property No B6468

Municipality

MELBOURNE CITY

Level of significance

State

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0369

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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The Queen Victoria Memorial is significant as an excellent example of late Nineteenth Century Victorian and Edwardian taste. It was described in The Lone Hand magazine (11 August, 1907) as "by far the most ambitious work of the sort yet attempted in our Commonwealth". The writer further added "it may possibly be recognised as a great work, worthy of the epoch and the personality it celebrates, the site it occupies and the most marvellous city of the century...".

After such hyperbole it is difficult to believe that it was subjected to heavy criticism by Bernard Hall only a few years later. Since that time its acceptance or rejection by a writer has been a barometer of changing taste. In this

post-modernist period the memorial is once again becoming acceptable to the younger generation who like its wedding-cake look.

Classified: 18/05/1994

Hermes Number 65203

Property Number

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