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# Karl Duldig Ceramic Mural - The Family



B6466 The Family

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## Location

Municipal Offices, Cnr Hawthorn & Glen Eira Roads,, CAULFIELD SOUTH VIC 3162 - Property No B6466

## Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

## Level of significance

Local

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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Karl Duldig's ceramic relief, The Family is significant at a Local level.

It is the first of three ceramic reliefs to be completed by Karl Duldig in 1957.

The Family, was commissioned for a domestic setting to portray the family of the patron, however, its relocation to the Caulfield City Offices (as part of the City of Caulfield Permanent Art Collection) has been achieved with remarkable sympathy to the work. The work now stands as a public work of art, with wide appeal and of great interest to visitors as an excellent example of Duldig's work and its development.

For Karl Duldig, the family symbolised unity, peace and progress, and was the cornerstone of our society, with its structure and role essential for the well being of our future development. The reliefs illustrate a highly developed skill and individuality in their construction and use of terracotta clay, and were a natural progression from his works in clay and ceramics after World War 11 in Australia.

Recognition of Karl Duldig as a sculptor and ceramic artist is acknowledged in his representation in the collections of the National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, and the National Gallery of Victoria, along with other

Regional Gallery collections in Australia and in collections overseas. The City of Caulfield Permanent Art Collection also holds other significant works by the artist.

After the destruction of Duldig's relief, Progress of Man, 1960, at 505 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne in 1991, this relief is one of only three to which the public has access in Melbourne.

Classified: 20/10/1993

Hermes Number 65630

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