



Historic Heart of Perth Inc is a not for profit community organisation established with the aim of revitalising Perth's east end. The name 'Historic Heart' is designed to bring together the history of the urban environment (Historic) and the community and natural environment (Heart). It is the premise that the physical and cultural landscapes are intertwined - a city is not just about buildings but about people and their experiences within it.

The Historic Heart is an area spanning from Barrack Street to Hill Street. This eastern end of our city has a rich history but has lost its vitality in past decades. Our vision is to reinvigorate and revitalise the Historic Heart - creating an identifiable neighbourhood with a strong sense of place, making a contribution to the city and importantly, to the people who live, work and visit here. The benefits of this project are wide ranging - social, urban and economic.

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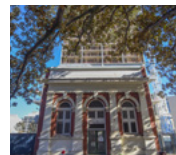
Architecture Walk continued



28. No. 1 Fire Station, 25 Murray Street

Architects: Cavanagh and Cavanagh 1901

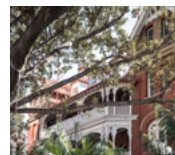
The first purpose-built fire station in WA. It opened in 1901 and continued in operation until 1979.



29. Hibernian Hall (Perth Chest Clinic) 15-17 Murray Street

Architects: Cavanagh and Cavanagh 1901

Opened in 1902 with a Grand Ball, the place was originally well used for meetings and social occasions.



30. RPH Administration Building, 51 Victoria Square

Architect: G.T. Poole 1895

31. Colonial Hospital, 51 Victoria Square

Architect: R.R. Jewell 1855



32. Victoria Square Cottages, Victoria Square

Architect: Unknown 1897-8

A rare example of a 19th century residential group in Perth, originally constructed as part of the city's suburban development.



33. St Mary's Cathedral, Victoria Square

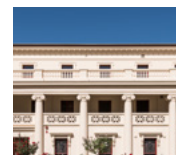
Architects: Benedictine Brothers 1865 on and M. Cavanagh 1926-30



34. Sisters of Mercy Convent, Victoria Square

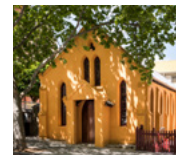
Architects: Cavanagh and Cavanagh 1896

Located within the Convent of Mercy built in 1871.



35. Cathedral House (Episcopal Palace), Victoria Square

Architects: J. Manning 1855 M. Cavanagh 1911 Howard Bonner and Tracey 1938



36. St John's Pro Cathedral, 18 Victoria Avenue

Architect: unknown possibly Bishop Brady 1844

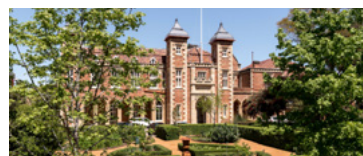
The first Catholic Church in WA. It is constructed of brick which is covered with lime render and painted ochre, the original colour.



37. Perth Concert Hall, 5 St Georges Terrace

Architects: Howlett and Bailey 1973

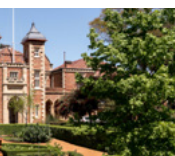
Constructed in the Brutalist style. Acoustically the venue is considered one of the best in Australia.



38. Government House Lodge, St Georges terrace

Architects: H Beasley 1904

39. First Government House Site, H. Reveley 1835

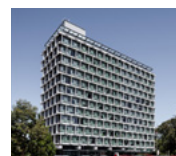


40. Government House, St Georges terrace

Architects: R.R. Jewell et al 1864

41. Government House Ballroom

Architect: J.H. Grainger 1899-1922



42. Council House, 27 St Georges Terrace

Architects: Howlett and Bailey 1963

Now regarded as one of the best examples of modernist architecture in Perth, there were periods when its future was in serious jeopardy.



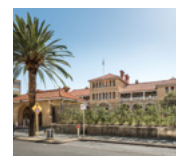
43. The Supreme Court, Stirling Gardens, cnr Barrack Street & St Georges Terrace

Architect: J.H. Grainger 1900s
 An excellent example of Federation Academic Classical architectural style used for major public buildings in the early 1900s.



44. Old Court House Law Museum, Stirling Gardens, cnr Barrack Street & St Georges Terrace

Architect: Henry Reveley 1837
 Perth's oldest building is now a museum - one of only a few law museums in the world.



45. The Perth Mint, 310 Hay St

Architect: Established in 1899, The Perth Mint is Australia's oldest operating mint. It gives visitors the rare opportunity to discover the wonder of gold through its combination of attractions, exhibitions and live demonstrations.

Thank you for discovering Perth's Historic Heart. If you would like to enjoy more walks in the Historic Heart neighbourhood, try our Art Walk, Stadium Walk and Small Museums Walk - available on our website or download our free Historic Heart app.



Historic Heart East End Perth


Architecture Walk
 Explore your neighbourhood

Introduction to the walk by Architect Philip Griffiths

Having considered various sites including Point Heathcote, Sir James Stirling chose the site of Perth to be the town between the port and the agriculturalists, in part for its beauty, also being lined along a ridge. It suffered the disadvantage of being on a swampy river's edge and laid out across a series of seven seasonal lakes.

John Septimus Roe laid out a grid town of predominantly narrow streets, with the exceptions being the terraces and Wellington Street; Forrest Place came much later.

This walk is focused on what became the "Domain" and the uses that clustered around it, institutions such as the Swan Mechanics Institute, Masonic Lodge, Weld Club and the like, together with the civic buildings, Government House, the Courts, Government Offices, Gaol and Churches.

 You can be guided on this walk using our free app - 'Historic Heart of Perth' available to download from the App Store or Google Play.

Architecture Walk



1. The Deane (and site of Perth's first gaol), Cnr Pier Street and St Georges Terrace

Architect:
R. R. Jewell 1859

Oldest residential building in the Perth CBD, originally built as a residence and office for the first Dean of Perth, Reverend George Pownall.



2. Burt Memorial Hall, Cathedral Square

Architect:
George Parry 1917

Over the years, Burt Memorial Hall has served as an important church and community venue. The sculptural Cadogan Song School was completed in 2017.



3. St George's Cathedral, Cathedral Square

Architects:
Edmund Blacket 1879 onwards
J.J.T. Hobbs

St George's Cathedral owes its existence to Bishop Henry Parry who arrived in WA in 1877.



4. State Buildings, Cathedral Square

Architects:
R.R. Jewell 1878-83
G.T. Poole 1885-97
J.H. Grainger 1897
H. Beasley 1907-07

Over 140 years, these buildings have had many uses including Treasury & GPO, and is now a hotel and food & beverage destination.



5. Perth Town Hall, Corner of Barrack and Hay Streets

Architect:
R.R. Jewell and J. Manning 1867-1870

All of the building's woodwork was constructed by prisoners in Fremantle, and conveyed to Perth on a specially constructed carriage.



6. Cremorne Arcade, 572-578 Hay Street

Architect:
Unknown 1897-1930

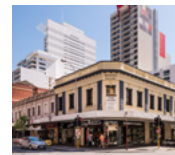
Part of Annie Oliver's Cremorne Hotel and Picture Gardens.



7. Criterion Hotel, 560 Hay Street

Architect:
Hobbs Forbes and Partners 1937

Hotels have been on this site since 1848.



9. Woods Building, 542-544 Hay Street c. 1905

10. 534-540 Hay Street c. 1895

11. 520-530 Hay Street c. 1900



12. St Georges Theatre, 508 Hay Street

Architect:
H. Prinsep, Built by Messrs Stone and Burt 1879

The first dedicated theatre building in Perth. Demolished in the 1980s with only the portico retained.



13. 36-38 Pier Street c1900

14. Milton Chambers, 40-44 Pier Street, c1900

The amalgamation of diverse period buildings creates Pier Street's unique appearance and charm.



15. Salvation Army Citadel, 48-54 Pier Street

Architects:
Hobbs Forbes and Partners 1899-1903

A conspicuous Perth landmark designed in the Federation Free style of architecture with a fortress.



16. FMR Railton Temperance Hotel, 70 Pier Street

Architects:
Forbes and Fitzhardinge 1964

Named after George Railton, a Scottish-born Christian missionary who was the first Commissioner of The Salvation Army.



17. Deward Hotel, 93-99 Murray St

Architect
Unknown 1911

Home to Miss Maud's Hotel and cafe since 1971. It is the site of Perth's first alfresco dining area, with former owner Maud Edmiston applying for Perth's first alfresco dining licence in 1979.



18. Perth Electricity and Gas Dept, 128-132 Murray St

Architect:
J. Ochiltree 1927

19. Colliers Building

Architect:
Unknown c1900

20. Boladeras Bldg, 124-130 Murray St

Built by a former Spanish monk



21. FMR Government Print Office, 78 Murray Street

Architects:
G.T. Poole and H. Beasley 1894-1902

22. Government Stores, 70-74 Murray Street

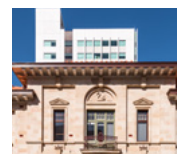
Architect:
H. Beasley 1911



23. FMR Salvation Army Congress Hall, 69 Murray Street

Architects:
Hobbs Forbes and Partners 1899-1903

No longer occupied by the Salvation Army, the building was re-purposed and is now apartments.



24. FMR Chief Secretary, 57 Murray Street

Architect:
H. Beasley 1912

Occupied by several State Government departments until 1992, the building now houses the Curtin University Law School.



25. Daniel O'Connor's House, 55 Murray Street

Architect:
R. Dennehy 1855

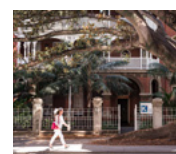
Originally built as a house, this is the only remaining residential style building in the east end of Murray Street.



26. Young Australia League, 45 Murray Street

Architect:
C. Oldham and H. Boas 1924

The heritage listed Young Australia League (YAL) building is a rare example of the Inter-War Free Classical style of architecture.

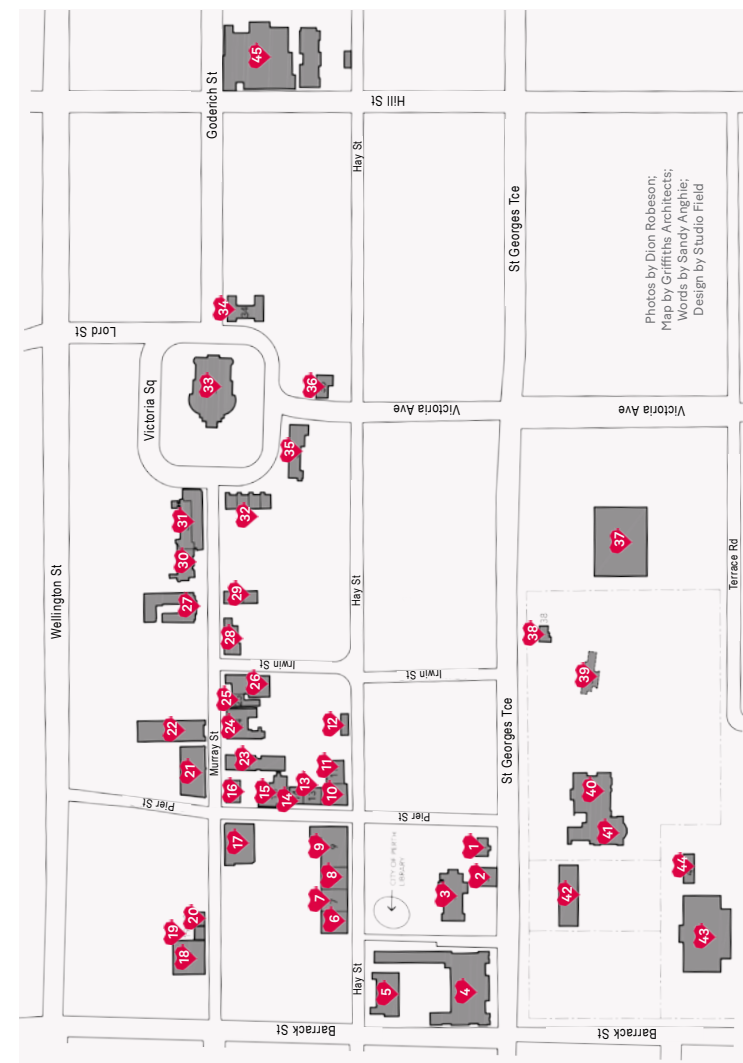


27. Kirkman House 10 Murray Street

Architect:
H. Beasley 1909

The magnificent Moreton Bay Fig Tree in front of Kirkman House is also heritage listed.

For further information see www.historicheart.com



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