

<b>Area:</b> Geraldton	<b>Place Number:</b> 126	<b>Category:</b> 4
<b>Assessment Date:</b> 06/11/1996	<b>Last Revision Date:</b> 30/10/2009	
<b>HCWA Number:</b> 13376	<b>Asset ID:</b> MCH126636	

### PLACE DETAILS

<b>Name:</b>	Theatre Eight Repertory Club
<b>Other Names:</b>	Geraldton Concert Artists
<b>Type of Place:</b>	Theatre
<b>Address:</b>	226 Eighth Street
<b>Suburb:</b>	Wonthella

### LOCATION

<b>Map Reference:</b> 16.16	<b>GPS Northing:</b> 6815304.00	<b>GPS Easting:</b> 268365.000
	<b>GPS Northing:</b> 0000	<b>GPS Easting:</b> 000



#### Photo Description:

21/03/2009

Tanya Henkel

Theatre Eight building in Wonthella.

## SITE DETAILS

<b>Lot No.:</b>	Lot 2499	<b>Assess No.:</b>	15425
<b>Reserv No.:</b>	29338	<b>Vol/Fol:</b>	
<b>Dia/Plan:</b>			

## USE OF PLACE

<b>Original Use:</b>	Theatre		
<b>Current Use:</b>	Theatre		
<b>Ownership:</b>			
<b>Public Access:</b>	Restricted	<b>Occupied:</b>	Occupied

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Walls:</b>	Brick/Asbestos	<b>Roof:</b>	Tile/Asbestos
<b>Condition:</b>	Good	<b>Integrity:</b>	
<b>Original fabric:</b>			
<b>Modifications:</b>	Extensions over time		

This building has three distinct sections with a complex roof structure. The front section (the theatre foyer) is constructed of light coloured brick and has twin tiled skillion roofs with a verandah supported on brick columns to the north and west sides. Behind the front brick section there are two steel framed sections clad with fibro. A gable asbestos roof covers the main theatre, beyond this a skillion roof sloping to the rear covers the stage area which is accessed by a large sliding door set above a delivery ramp with timber steps.

## HISTORY

<b>Construction Date:</b>	1932	<b>Source:</b>	J. Russ
<b>Architect:</b>	Unknown		
<b>Builder:</b>	Unknown		

The Geraldton Repertory Club began in 1932, and the Geraldton Concert Artists formed in 1961. "Theatre 8" was formed in 1974 with the amalgamation of the Geraldton Repertory Club and the Geraldton Concert Artists. The present stage area was the original hall for the Repertory Club and additions to accommodate a workshop, wardrobe room, green room and kitchen to cater for 100 patrons has since been added. The theatre auditorium is named for Jim Wilson, life member and stage manager for many years.

(Source: Jessie Russ, Secretary, Theatre 8)

## HISTORIC THEMES

<b>HCWA:</b>	405 Sport, recreation and entertainment 308 Commercial services and industries
<b>AHC:</b>	8.1 Organising recreation

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Theatre Eight building has social significance for its connection with the arts in Geraldton, in particular amateur theatre. The place is well regarded by the community having been established for some 70 years.

## MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

<b>Management Category:</b>	4
<b>Level of Significance:</b>	SOME SIGNIFICANCE: Contributes to the heritage and/or historical development of the locality.
<b>Management Recommendation:</b>	Conservation of the place is desirable. Any proposed change to the place should be in sympathy with the heritage values of the place.

## OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

## OTHER PHOTOS



**Photo Description:**

6/11/1996

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Front facade of the theatre prior to addition.