

Area: Geraldton	Place Number: 134	Category: 1
Assessment Date: 15/10/1996	Last Revision Date: 03/11/2009	
HCWA Number: 13384	Asset ID: MCH126663	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Fitzgerald Flats
Other Names:	19-21 Fitzgerald Street
Type of Place:	Flats
Address:	19-21 Fitzgerald Street
Suburb:	Geraldton

LOCATION

Map Reference: 14.15	GPS Northing: 6814426.00	GPS Easting: 266388.000
	GPS Northing: 0000	GPS Easting: 000



Photo Description:

6/08/2007

Rod Milne

Corner view from Lester Avenue.

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 81	Assess No.:	11593
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Residences		
Current Use:	Residences		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Brick (Rendered)	Roof:	Tile
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

Located on a prominent corner, this art deco style two storey rendered masonry building features two main sections joined together by a recessed section which contains the main entry. The corner section to the south west, has a multi hipped tiled gable roof which covers a breakfront to the west and a curved bay to the south west corner. There is a parapet to the bay and to the north west facade beyond the breakfront. This facade features the name of the building "FITZGERALD FLATS". The corner bay forms a two storey verandah with rendered masonry pillars and balustrade to the ground and first floor. A flat masonry awning is featured above the ground floor verandah and to the ground floor window of the breakfront. Joined to the corner section, the northern part of the building is symmetrically designed and of similar style. A hipped tiled roof covers the central section with separate hips to each side. In front of the side roofs there is an open two storey verandah with a flat roof and rendered masonry pillars and balustrade. Above the ground floor windows and verandah there is a flat masonry awning.

Windows to the building are casement style, and there is a brick chimney to the east of each section. The property is bounded to the south by a tall rendered masonry wall with flat coping and to the west by a rendered balustrade above which there is decorative steel infill between rendered pillars with decorative steel gates. There is a brick garage to the rear facing Lester Avenue which has timber doors.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1941	Source:	"West Australian"
Architect:	W. Bennett		
Builder:	A. James		

The Fitzgerald Flats were built between 1941 and 1942 and have been largely unaltered since.
(Source: Stan Gratte)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	104 Land allocation and subdivision
AHC:	4.1.2 Making suburbs

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This building has aesthetic significance given its high integrity, large scale and prominent position. It is representative of the Art Deco style of which there are only several examples in Geraldton, including the Radio Theatre which provides a book end to the Fitzgerald Street block. The place makes an important contribution to the built environment of the central business district.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	1
Level of Significance:	EXCEPTIONAL SIGNIFICANCE: Essential to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Conservation of the place is considered essential. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the significance of the place and be in accordance with either a Conservation Plan or Heritage Impact Statement.

OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

"West Australian" , 25 October 1941, p. 4.

OTHER PHOTOS



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Suba & Grundy

Art Deco style flats.