



HERITAGE  
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# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2006
2. **NAME** *His Majesty's Theatre* (1904)
3. **LOCATION** Cnr. Hay Street and King Street, Perth
4. **DESCRIPTION** **OF** **PLACE**  
The whole of Reserve 37004.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Perth
6. **OWNER** Perth Theatre Trust
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 08/04/1994  
Permanent Entry 16/12/1994
  - National Trust Classification: 11/06/1978
  - City of Perth Town Planning Scheme:  
Schedule V 20/12/1985
  - Register of National Estate: 21/03/1978
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*His Majesty's Theatre* has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a fine example of Federation Free Classical style with an eclectic use of diverse decorative classical elements, resulting in a rich visual and textural quality unrivalled in Australia;

the place demonstrates Edwardian theatre architecture in its auditorium and stage design despite loss of some of the original stage features;

the place contributes an important element to the King Street precinct;

the place demonstrates the ebullient decorative form and style favoured by successful developers within the central business district of Perth during the goldrush period. The place is identified as part of

the architecture produced in Western Australia by the wealth of the goldrush;

as one of the first major restoration projects in Western Australia, the place has historic significance for its association with the development of public awareness of heritage and the development of conservation practice in the State; and,

the place has significance for the many international theatrical productions hosted in the theatre over the past ninety years. The place also has a close association with the development of dance and theatre in Western Australian.