

## REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry

- 1. **DATA BASE No.** 2002
- 2. NAME Gledden Building (1935-38)
- 3. LOCATION 723 Hay Street, Perth

## 4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Lot 1 on Diagram 6874 being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 980 Folio 116, and Lot 2 on Diagram 6874 being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 906 Folio 183.

- 5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Perth
- **6. OWNER** University of WA
- 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 12/05/1995
     Permanent Entry 01/12/1995
     National Trust Classification: 14/10/1989
  - City of Perth City Planning Scheme (1985) 20/12/1985 Included in the Fifth Schedule of the Scheme, pursuant to Clause 46 (1).
- 8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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## 10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

*Gledden Building* has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place demonstrates an innovative response to the architectural and urban issues associated with the concept of a modern commercial building in the late 1930s;

the place is the only high rise Inter-War Art Deco office building in Perth;

the place is a rare and innovative combination of multiple functions within a city building, including basement restaurant, two level shopping arcade, office accommodation and roof top lookout;

the building, for many years the highest in the city centre, mirrors the tower form of Perth Town Hall, and together the two landmark buildings visually define the extent of the Hay Street Mall;

the place is an exceptional example of the integration of art and architecture, and demonstrates a contemporary concern for the civic value of public art;

the art works, based on Western Australian themes and an integral part of the building, have aesthetic and historic significance in their own right; and,

the association with the philanthropy of Robert Gledden, the architectural design of Harold Boas, and the University of Western Australia.