



I believe that caring for the site-specific context of every space will lead to a sustainable future for our towns and cities.

Chairim Byun Senior Heritage Consultant

Chairim is a heritage consultant with a background in history and cultural studies. Chairim has demonstrated skills in research using a range of primary and secondary sources, especially in relation to social history and built heritage places. With her knowledge in history and cultural heritage, her expertise includes historical research, critical analysis, report writing, fieldwork and project administration.

At GML, Chairim has managed numerous heritage studies for local councils that often involve desktop research, field survey, analysis and establishment of benchmarking thresholds for local significance, as well as the reporting that followed. Chairim is also has extensive experience in historical research and other processes of municipal heritage studies. She has also contributed to mapping and graphic visualisation components in various projects.

Prior to joining GML, Chairim was a project intern at the Abbotsford Convent Foundation. In that role, Chairim worked on piecing together historical information and the heritage significance of the site, and gathering public comments for national heritage listing. She has also completed a research project that focused on forecasting future impacts of the possible National Heritage Listing.

Qualifications

Master of Urban and Cultural Heritage, University of Melbourne
Bachelor of Arts (Hons), Japanese Studies, Monash University
Bachelor of Arts, Art History & Japanese, University of Melbourne

Professional affiliations

Australia ICOMOS
DOCOMO International
Royal Historical Society of Victoria

Key experience

Heritage assessments, studies and reviews

- Kingston Heritage Review—Client: City of Kingston, current
- South Yarra Heritage Review—Client: City of Melbourne, current
- Maldon Historic Central Area Review—Client: Shire of Mount Alexander, current
- Boroondara Municipal Wide Heritage Study—Client: City of Boroondara, current
- Port Phillip HO8 Review—Client: City of Port Phillip, 2021
- High Street, Bendigo Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Greater Bendigo, 2021
- Nillumbik Heritage Review Stage A—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2021
- Hoddle Grid Heritage Review—Client: City of Melbourne, 2020
- Heidelberg Road Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Darebin, 2020
- Greater Bendigo City Centre Stage 1—Client: City of Greater Bendigo, 2020
- Bayside Mid-Century Heritage Study—Client: City of Bayside, 2019
- Balwyn Heritage Peer Review Stage 2—Client: Boroondara City Council, 2018
- Moonee Valley Heritage Study Stage—Client: City of Moonee Valley, 2018
- Moreland Heritage Gap Study—Client: City of Moreland, 2017
- Moonee Valley Urgent Assessment—Client: City of Moonee Valley, 2017

Heritage advice

- Former John Smith & Sons, Riddell's Creek Nursery: Interpretation Plan—Client: David Liebich, 2020
- Otter Street Collingwood Open Space Strategy Heritage—Client: City of Yarra, 2020
- Moonee Valley Urgent Assessment—Client: City of Moonee Valley, 2017
- River Red Gum Parks Feedback Survey—Client: Parks Victoria, 2017
- National Herbarium of New South Wales Significance Assessment—Client: National Herbarium of New South Wales, 2017

Community engagement and interpretation

- City of Yarra Shared Values Pilot Project—Client: City of Yarra, current
- Maribyrnong Waterfront Cultural Heritage—Client: City of Melbourne, 2019
- Carlton Connect Heritage Interpretation Strategy—Client: Lendlease, 2017
- Preston Market Heritage Values—Client: City of Darebin, 2017

GIS mapping and graphic

- South Yarra Heritage Review—Client: City of Melbourne, current
- Maldon Historic Central Area Review—Client: Shire of Mount Alexander, current
- Port Phillip HO8 Review—Client: City of Port Phillip, 2021
- Heidelberg Road Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Darebin, 2020
- Mildura Heritage Study Part B Stage 1—Client: Mildura Rural City Council, 2020
- Abbotsford Convent Conservation Management Plan Project—Client: Abbotsford Convent Foundation, 2019
- Moonee Valley Heritage Study Stage—Client: City of Moonee Valley, 2018
- Bendigo City Centre Heritage Study—Client: City of Greater Bendigo, 2017
- Carlton Connect Heritage Interpretation Strategy—Client: Lendlease, 2017

Professional background

Senior Heritage Consultant, GML Heritage (formerly Context), August 2021–present

Heritage Consultant, Context, 2017–August 2021

Project Intern, Abbotsford Convent Foundation, 2016