



**Cultural heritage is as much to do with our future as it is our past. My primary interest is in the safeguarding of heritage places whilst maintaining their relevance.**

## Mark Huntersmith Associate

Mark is a heritage professional with a passion for architecture and the conservation and preservation of heritage places. With extensive experience working in an architectural practice, Mark has completed a Master of Cultural Heritage at Deakin University focusing on heritage place management. He has a particular interest in and aptitude for facilitating good design outcomes within sensitive heritage overlays and is passionate about advocating for the protection of mid-century modern places.

At GML, Mark works on large-scale municipal heritage studies and has been extensively engaged in the provision of strategic and statutory heritage advice, including heritage asset management strategies, conservation management plans and heritage impact statements. Highly organised, Mark is skilled in problem resolution and has experience in managing large-scale projects and coordinating multidisciplinary project teams.

As Heritage Advisor to the City of Manningham and the Shire of Nillumbik, Mark is adept in reviewing and applying design guidelines for heritage places. Mark has an in-depth knowledge of the statutory requirements of the Victorian and local planning provisions as they relate to places on the Victorian Heritage Register and Heritage Overlay. Mark is effective in negotiating positive solutions and dealing sensitively with heritage issues as they arise. He has experience in dealing with the range of stakeholders involved with local government heritage issues including community members, historical societies, local council staff, and property owners and users.

### Qualifications

Master of Cultural Heritage, Deakin University  
Bachelor of Planning & Design (Architecture), University of Melbourne  
Bachelor of Science (Hons) (Psychology), University of Melbourne

### Key Experience

#### Heritage advisor

- Manningham Heritage Advisory Services (Heritage Advisor)—Client: City of Manningham, current
- Nillumbik Heritage Advisory Services (Heritage Advisor)—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, current

#### Heritage assessments

- Former St John's Church Complex, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Manningham, current
- 508–510 Burke Road, Camberwell, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Boroondara, 2023
- 9 Seattle Street, Balwyn North, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Boroondara, 2023
- Plenty Fire Station, Heritage Assessment—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2021
- Plenty Heritage Park, Heritage Assessment—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2021
- Eltham War Memorial Building Complex, Heritage Assessment—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2020–2021
- Alan Marshall Bungalow, 13 Park West Road, Eltham, Heritage Assessment—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2020–2021
- 14–16 Browns Lane, Plenty, Heritage Assessment—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2021
- 50 Oatland Road, Plenty, Heritage Assessment—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2021
- Elwood Foreshore Facilities, Strategic Heritage Review, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Port Phillip, 2020
- John Kenny House, 17 Raven Street, Kew, Preliminary Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Boroondara, 2020
- Kew Hebrew Congregation, 53 Walpole Street, Kew, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Boroondara, 2020
- Santamaria House, 1207 Burke Road, Kew, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Boroondara, 2020

## Heritage studies

- Brunswick and Coburg Activity Centre, Heritage Study (Stage 1 and 2), Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Merri-bek, current
- Ballarat and Buninyong Beyond the Precincts, Heritage Study Stage 1—Client: City of Ballarat, current
- Mildura Heritage Study Stage 2, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: Mildura Rural City Council, current
- LGBTQIA+ Community Heritage Study, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Yarra, current
- Wattle Road, Hawthorn, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Boroondara, current
- Parkville Heritage Review, Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Melbourne, current
- Balwyn and Balwyn North Peer Review Stage 3, Postwar Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Boroondara, current
- Balwyn Interwar Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Boroondara, 2023
- Heritage Precinct Review HO8, Elwood, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Port Phillip, current
- South Yarra Heritage Review, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Melbourne, current
- Maldon Central Historic Area Review, Significance and Heritage Impact Assessment—Client: Mount Alexander Shire Council, current
- Boroondara Municipal Wide Study, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Boroondara, 2016–2022
- Hoddle Grid Heritage Review, Stage 3, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Melbourne, 2020
- Cardinia Heritage Study, Precinct Review Updates—Client: Cardinia Shire Council, 2020
- Bass Coast Gap Study & Prioritisation Framework Stage 1 Assessment—Client: Bass Coast Shire Council, 2020
- Stonnington Precinct, Review of HO150 & HO128—Client: City of Stonnington, 2020
- Mildura Heritage Study Stage 1, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: Mildura Rural City Council, 2020
- Footscray/West Footscray, Heritage Assessments—Client: Maribyrnong City Council, 2019
- Thornbury Park Estate Precinct, Preliminary Heritage Assessment—Client: Darebin City Council, 2019
- Bendigo City Centre, Heritage Study Review, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Greater Bendigo, 2019
- Bayside Mid-century Modern Heritage Assessments, Stage 2, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Bayside, 2019
- Bayside Mid-century Modern Assessments of Council-owned Properties, Built Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Bayside, 2019
- Moreland Stage 1, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: Moreland City Council, 2018
- Moonee Valley Heritage Study, Stage 2, Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Moonee Valley, 2018
- Balwyn Heritage Study, Stage 2, Peer Review and Built Heritage Assessments—Client: City of Boroondara, 2018

## Heritage impact statements

- Maroondah Water Supply System, Eltham-Yarra Glen Road, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Department of Transport and Planning (VIC), 2024
- Spout Creek Bridge, Great Ocean Road, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Department of Transport and Planning (VIC), 2024
- Ford River Bridge, Great Ocean Road, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Department of Transport and Planning (VIC), 2024
- Former Connewarre Presbyterian Church, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Department of Transport and Planning (VIC), 2024
- Shamrock Hotel, 80 Grant Street, Alexandra, Heritage Advice and Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Navy Blue Planning, 2024
- 6 Invermay Grove, Hawthorn East, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Duo Shaw Architecture, 2024
- 13 Belvedere, Kew, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Kennedy Nolan Architects, 2024
- 184–186 Ryrie Street, Geelong, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Department of Transport and Planning (VIC), 2024
- Apartment Development, 646 High Street, Prahran, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Abadeen Group Victoria, 2024
- Apartment Development, 34 George Street, Reservoir, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Dys Housing, 2024
- St Andrews Housing Development, Bendigo, Advice and Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Duo Projects, 2021–2024
- Ballarat Central Uniting Church Housing Development, Advice and Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Duo Projects, 2021–2023
- 207 Sunshine Road, Tottenham, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Asia Property AU1 Pty Ltd ATF Symphony Tottenham Property Trust, 2022
- 513 Tooronga Road, Hawthorn, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Shaw Architecture, 2022
- All Saints Estate Winery, 315 All Saints Road, Wahgunyah, Heritage Assessment, Advice and Heritage Impact Statement—Client: All Saints Pty Ltd, 2020
- Richmond Town Hall Public Realm, Heritage Impact Assessment—Client: City of Yarra, 2019
- 488 Victoria Street, West Brunswick, Heritage Impact Assessment—Client: Property Collective, 2019
- Building 44, 231–249 Wirraway Road, Essendon Fields, Heritage Impact Statement—Client: Essendon Fields Pty Ltd, 2019

## Heritage advice

- 257 St Kilda Street, Brighton, Heritage Advice—Client: Barholme Building Group, 2024
- Ferntree Gully Hotel, 1130 Burwood Highway, Ferntree Gully, Heritage Advice—Client: City of Knox, 2024
- 207 Sunshine Road, Tottenham, Heritage Advice—Client: Engine Room VM, 2023
- Anglesea Community and Health Precinct Plan, Heritage Advice—Client: Tract Consultants, 2023
- St Coleman's Church and Parish, Balaclava, Heritage Advice—Client: MGS Architects, 2023
- Templestowe Memorial Hall, Heritage Advice, Sustainability—Client: City of Manningham, 2023

- Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust, Heritage Advice—Client: Fire Risk Consultants Pty Ltd and the Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust, 2022
- Edenvale Homestead, 30–32 Gastons Road, Eltham, Heritage Advice—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2022
- Former Premiers Offices, 2 Treasury Place, Melbourne, Heritage Advice—Client: Department of Education and Training, 2022
- Diamond Creek Netball Courts, Heritage Advice—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2022
- Playground Rocket, Central Gardens, Hawthorn, Heritage Advice—Client: City of Boroondara, 2021
- Carnegie Memorial Swimming Pool, Heritage Assessment—Client: City of Glen Eira, 2021
- Fairwood Park, 265 Princes Highway, Officer, Heritage Advice—Client: Wellington Factor Pty Ltd, 2021
- Baimbridge College, Hamilton, Heritage and Adaptive Re-use Assessment—Client: Victorian School Building Authority, 2020
- Brimbank, Heritage Advisory Service—Client: City of Brimbank, 2019
- 38 Palmerston Street, Maryborough, Heritage Advice—Client: Central Goldfields Shire Council, 2019
- Dennis Reserve, Williamstown, Heritage Advice—Client: Hobson Bay City Council, 2019
- Toorak Park Pavilion, Orrong Road, Armadale, Feasibility Study, Heritage Advice—Client: Gresley Abas Architects, 2019

### Conservation management plans

- St Mary's Church Complex, St Kilda East, Conservation Management Plan—Client: MGS Architects, 2023
- Royal Park, Parkville, Conservation Management Plan—Client: City of Melbourne, 2023
- St Kilda Cemetery, Conservation Management Plan—Client: Southern Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust, 2019
- Brighton Cemetery, Conservation Management Plan—Client: Southern Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust, 2019

### Conservation works

- Kelly House, 44 Kelly Street, Beveridge, Conservation Works—Client: Heritage Victoria, 2021

### Thematic environmental histories

- Manningham, Thematic Environmental History—Client: City of Manningham, 2024

### Expert evidence

- Balwyn and Balwyn North Peer Review Stage 3 (postwar), Boroondara Planning Scheme Amendment C398boro—Client: City of Boroondara, 2024
- Nillumbik Heritage Review Stages A and B, Nillumbik, Planning Scheme Amendment C149nill—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2023
- South Yarra Heritage Review, Melbourne, Planning Scheme Amendment C426melb—Client: City of Melbourne, 2023
- Balwyn, Interwar Heritage Assessments, Boroondara, Planning Scheme Amendment C386boro—Client: City of Boroondara, 2023
- 50 Oatland Road, Plenty Shire of Nillumbik, Planning Scheme Amendment C142nill—Client: Shire of Nillumbik, 2022
- Kew Hebrew Congregation, 53 Walpole Street, Kew, Boroondara Planning Scheme Amendment C342boro—Client: City of Boroondara, 2021

### Professional background

Associate, GML Heritage Victoria (formerly Context), July 2024–present

Senior Heritage Consultant, GML Heritage Victoria (formerly Context), 2020–July 2024

Heritage Consultant, Context, 2018–2020

Project Manager, Ian James Smith Architects, 1992–2017

### Professional affiliations

Australia ICOMOS—Full International member

Royal Australian Institute of Architects—Affiliate member

Technical Bulletins Refresh Working Group, National Trust of Australia (Victoria)

### Presentations

'Changing places and spaces: repositioning Parkville's interwar and postwar heritage,' presented at the ACAHUCH Parklife: Heritage and Place in Parkville symposium, 2022

'List it or lose it? Social values in Practice: Maltese Community Centre, Parkville' presented at the Everyday Heritage Workshop, Sydney, 2023

### Volunteer experience

Public Records Office of Victoria (PROV)—Public Works Department Plans Data Base Formation, 2016–2018