



Heritage is not just about preserving the past—it's about understanding our stories, shaping identity, and guiding the future with respect and insight.

Celeste Wing Young

Senior Heritage Consultant, Archaeologist & Conservator

Celeste is a heritage consultant and archaeologist with over seven years of extensive experience across both Aboriginal cultural heritage and historical projects. Celeste has led and delivered cultural heritage assessments through various stages such as project coordination, archaeological fieldwork and assessment, and data analysis. She has developed invaluable working relationships with Traditional Owners, clients, landowners, and community representatives, and continually promotes strong connection to Country.

Celeste is a listed Heritage Advisor under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* (Vic) and possesses a thorough understanding of both the Act and the Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018.

Celeste is also an objects conservator with experience applied to historic assemblages within Victoria and New Zealand. She has worked for a private conservation practice and on several archaeological projects as both an archaeologist and site conservator within Australia. She has a particular interest in the conservation of archaeological material, specifically metals.

Qualifications

Master of Cultural Materials Conservation, University of Melbourne
Bachelor of Archaeology, La Trobe University

Professional affiliations

Heritage Advisor, First Peoples – State Relations
Member, Australasian Society for Historical Archaeology (ASHA)

Key experience

Aboriginal cultural heritage assessments

- 7 Duncans Road, Cavendish, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 20364—Client: Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Road and Stormwater Drain Upgrades, Cockatoo, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 20024—Client: Cardinia Shire Council (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Diamond Creek Outdoor Pool Redevelopment, Diamond Creek, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Application—Client: Mantrac Architecture (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Road and Stormwater Drain Upgrades, Cockatoo, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Applications Stage 3A and 3B—Client: Cardinia Shire Council (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Echuca Aquatic Reserve Public Toilets Renewal, Echuca, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Application—Client: Campaspe Shire Council (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Montgomery Park Kindergarten Development, Essendon, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Application—Client: Moonee Valley City Council (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Amess Road Service Installation Works, Riddells Creek, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Application—Client: Banner Asset Management (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Dore Road Reconstruction Works, Nar Nar Goon North, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Application—Client: Cardinia Shire Council (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Glen Waverley Public Golf Course Upgrade, Glen Waverley, Preliminary Aboriginal Heritage Test Application—Client: Mantrac Architecture (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Powelltown Boys Camp, Powelltown, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 18626—Client: Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Melbourne Fire and Emergency, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Permit Applications—Client: Parks Victoria (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)

Historic heritage assessments

- Russell Street, Melbourne, Archaeology Assessment—Client: Redman Group (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Beehive Building, Bendigo, Archaeology Assessment—Client: De Nova Group (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Melbourne Metro Rail Tunnel Project, Artefact Analysis—Client: Andrew Long and Associates (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)

Cultural heritage management plans

- Jetty Road Urban Growth Area Residential Subdivision, Stage 2 Salvage, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 16286—Client: Curlewis Bellarine Partnership Pty Ltd and Stockland Development Pty Ltd (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Towt Road Upgrade, Bunyip State Park Amendment, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 17644—Client: Parks Victoria (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Quarry Hills Regional Park Development, South Morang, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 17456—Client: City of Whittlesea (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Edgars Creek Shared Path, Huskisson Reserve, Lalor, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 17502—Client: City of Whittlesea (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- La La Falls, Warburton, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 17149—Client: Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)
- Little Yarra River Trail, Cultural Heritage Management Plan 17017—Client: Melbourne Water (for ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors)

International projects

- Christchurch Town Hall, New Zealand, Restoration, 2018
- Lost Churches, Valeni, Transylvania, Archaeological Excavation, ArchaeoTek Archaeology, Canada, 2014

Professional background

Senior Heritage Consultant, Archaeologist and Conservator, GML Heritage Victoria, June 2025–present

Assistant Director, Archaeologist and Conservator, ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors, 2024–2025

Senior Archaeologist and Conservator, ArchLink Archaeologists and Heritage Advisors, 2020–2024

Objects Conservator, International Conservation Services, Victoria, 2020

Archaeologist, Archaeology at Tardis (now Tardis Archaeology), 2018–2020

Objects Conservator, Emily Fryer Conservation, Christchurch, New Zealand, 2018

Professional development

Work Safely in the Construction Industry (White Card)
CPCCWHS1001

Victorian Level 1 Train Track Safety Awareness (Rail Industry Worker)

First Aid Certificate (HLTAID009, HLTAID010, HLTAID011)