

SHOPS
232-234 Swan Street

History and Description

An unusual three storey brick and stucco pair of shops designed in a boom style classicism characterised by an innovative use of classical motifs and exuberant ornament. It was probably built during the late 1880's.

The bold use of classical elements suggests it may be the work of Richmond architect William Woolf whose best known Richmond works are Lalor House at 293 Church Street and the Council Club Hotel in Swan Street.

The verandahs and shopfronts have been altered, but the original yellow ochre wall wash remains.

Statement of Significance

A rare example of a pair of small shops designed in a boom style classicism, completely intact above verandah level.