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Qualifications

PhD, School of Historical Studies, Monash University
MA (Public History), Monash University
BCom, University of Melbourne
BA (Hons), University of Melbourne

Academic awards

Monash Graduate Award (3 years)
Australian Postgraduate Course Award (1 year)

Memberships

Professional Historians' Association (Vic.)
National Trust of Australia (Vic.)
Royal Historical Society of Victoria
ICOMOS (full international)

Expertise

Helen Doyle is an experienced historian with expertise in preparing heritage assessments and conservation management plans of places and precincts, as well as larger areas and complexes. This includes a wide range of urban and rural places, including parks, gardens and cemeteries; industrial sites; and Aboriginal places. She is experienced in developing thematic frameworks and writing thematic histories from single sites to large complex places, groups of like places, and municipalities. She also has experience in oral history and community consultation, and Aboriginal cultural heritage. She has prepared significance assessments for local history collections, and text panels for museum and other exhibitions. She is also an experienced writer and editor, and has written several commissioned histories.

Experience

Helen has over twenty years' experience in heritage and conservation. She worked in a freelance capacity with heritage consultant including Richard Aitken Nigel Lewis P/L, Heritage Matters P/L, and Grieve Gillett before joining Context in 2013. Helen was the project historian for other municipal heritage studies, including Corangamite and Warrnambool (with Heritage Matters), and Horsham (with Grieve Gillett). She also has experience preparing significance assessments (for collections) and text panels for historical exhibitions. Before joining Context, Helen

was a collaborator on many Context reports, including the 'Port Arthur Historic Site Landscape Management Plan' (2002); the 'City of Melbourne Thematic History' (2011), and conservation management plans for a number of water supply sites. A select list of heritage projects that Helen has worked on since 2013 as part of Context are listed below.

Helen is an experienced writer and editor. She has worked at D.W. Thorpe (Reed Books), where she co-wrote the *Monash Biographical Dictionary of 20th Century Australia* (1994). She was an assistant editor for the major reference work in Australian history: *The Oxford Companion to Australian History*, edited by Graeme Davison, Stuart Macintyre and John Hirst (Oxford University Press, 1998).

Project examples

Latrobe Valley Social History
DELWP, 2019

Moonee Valley Heritage Study, Stage 2
Moonee Valley City Council, 2018

Banyule Thematic Environmental History
Banyule City Council, 2018

Yarra River (Birrarung) Cultural Heritage Scoping Study
Melbourne Water, 2018

Ballarat East Town Hall Gardens Heritage Assessment
City of Ballarat, 2018

Life on the Bend: A social history of Fishermans Bend
Fishermans Bend Taskforce (DELWP), 2017

Stonnington Victorian Houses (Heritage Review)
City of Stonnington, 2016

Southbank Boulevard & Dodds Street Ecological, Heritage and Cultural Place Assessment
City of Melbourne, 2015

Shared Heritage Values
Victorian Heritage Council and Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council, 2015

Suburbs at War: The Cities of Malvern and Prahran during the Great War
City of Stonnington, 2015

City of Melbourne Heritage Study, Stage 1, Thematic Environmental History
City of Melbourne, 2011

Regional Water Supply Heritage Study: Melbourne Region, Stage 1, Thematic Environmental History
Melbourne Water and Heritage Victoria, 2009

Victoria's Water Supply History, Vol. 1 Thematic Environmental History
Heritage Victoria, 2007

Moyne Shire Heritage Study, Stages 1 and 2
Moyne Shire Council, 2001, 2006

Port Arthur Historic Site Landscape Management Plan
Port Arthur Historic Site Management Authority, 2002.

Publications, articles and contributions

Publications

Helen Doyle. 'The Landscape of Murndal'. Australian Garden History Society, Melbourne. Forthcoming, 2019.

Rosalie Triolo, Helen Doyle and Katya Johanson. *Writing and Publishing Local History: A guide for first-time authors and historical societies*. Revised and updated edition, Federation of Australian Historical Societies, Canberra, 2017.

Helen Doyle. *Suburbs at War: The Cities of Malvern and Prahran during the Great War*. City of Stonnington, Malvern, 2015.
(Winner of the Centenary of World War I Award, Victorian Community History Awards, 2015)

Helen Doyle. *The Church on the Hill: A centenary history of St Brigid's, Crossley, and its Irish-Australian community*. Bridin Books, Abbotsford, 2014.
(Commendation, Victorian Community History Awards, 2014)

Bain Attwood with Helen Doyle, *Possession: Batman's Treaties*. Miegunyah Press (Melbourne University Publishing), Carlton 2009.
(Winner of the Ernest Scott Prize 2010)

Helen Doyle and Katya Johanson. *Publishing History: A guide for historical societies*. Federation of Australian Historical Societies, Canberra 2006.

Andrew Lemon, Marjorie Morgan and Helen Doyle, *Buried by the Sea: A history of Williamstown Cemetery*. Australian Scholarly Publishing, Melbourne, revised edition 2005.

Tony Dingle and Helen Doyle. *Yan Yean: A history of Melbourne's early water supply*. Public Record Office Victoria, Melbourne, 2003.

Philip Bull, Frances Devlin-Glass and Helen Doyle (eds), *Irish-Australian Studies: 1788-1998: Proceedings of the 8th Irish-Australia Conference, Melbourne, 1998*. Crossing Press, Sydney, 2000.

Exhibitions

Yarra Ranges Regional Museum. *Oil Paint and Ochre: The incredible story of William Barak and the de Purys*. 2015. Helen was commissioned as project historian for this exhibition. (**Winner of the Best Temporary or Travelling Exhibition Award: Museums & Galleries National Awards, 2016**)

Moreland Remembers World War I. Travelling exhibition, City of Moreland, 2015. Text panels and image sourcing by Context Pty Ltd. (**Commendation, Victorian Community History Awards, 2015**)

Articles

Helen Doyle, 'Local history and countryside decline in Victoria', in Marc Brodie and Graeme Davison (eds), *Struggle Country: The rural ideal in twentieth-century Australia*, Monash e-Press, Clayton 2005.

Helen Doyle, 'Back to the country, back to the past: "Back-to" celebrations in Victoria 1917-39', Bendigo Bank Regional History Conference Proceedings, Bendigo, April 2005.

Helen Doyle, 'Allegations of disloyalty at Koroit during World War I', in P. Bull, F. Devlin-Glass and H. Doyle (eds), *Irish-Australian Studies: 1788-1998: Proceedings of the 8th Irish-Australia Conference, Melbourne, 1998*. Crossing Press, Sydney, 2000.

Helen Doyle, 'The Irish landscape of Koroit, Victoria', in *Irish-Australian Studies: Proceedings of the 8th Irish-Australia Conference, Hobart, 1995*. Crossing Press, Sydney, 1997.

Contributions

Introductory piece for 'City Precincts': Richard Broome et al.(eds), *Remembering Melbourne, 1850–1960*. Royal Historical Society of Victoria, Melbourne, 2016.

Entry on 'Picnics': Andrew Brown-May and Shurlee Swain. *Encyclopedia of Melbourne*, Cambridge University Press, 2005.

Entries on 'Murndal', Casterton, and 'Ercildoune', Ballarat, in: Richard Aitken and Michael Looker (eds). *Oxford Companion to Australian Gardens*, Oxford University Press, South Melbourne, 2002.

Approximately 350 short entries for: Graeme Davison, John Hirst and Stuart Macintyre (eds). *Oxford Companion to Australian History*, Oxford University Press, South Melbourne, 1998.