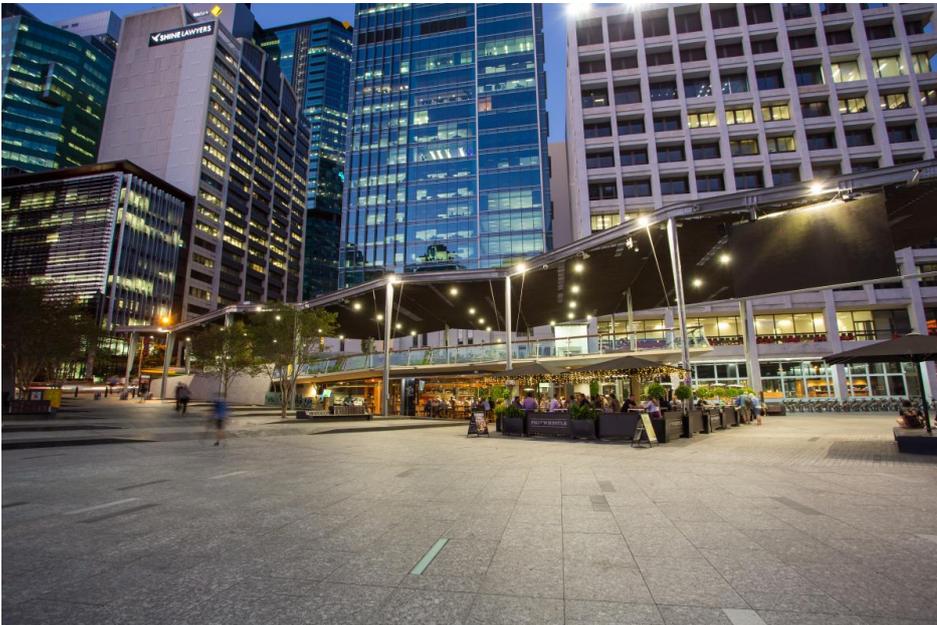


## Heritage Citation



### King George Square

#### Key details

<b>Also known as</b>	Albert Square
<b>Addresses</b>	At 100 Adelaide Street, Brisbane City, Queensland 4000
<b>Type of place</b>	Public square
<b>Period</b>	Interwar 1919-1939
<b>Lot plan</b>	L9_SP207228; L21_SP207228
<b>Key dates</b>	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — September 2011
<b>Criterion for listing</b>	(A) Historical; (E) Aesthetic; (H) Historical association

City Hall opened in 1930, with the open space in front of its granite steps that was beautified with gardens known as 'Albert Square'. In 1938, it was renamed 'King George Square', when a statue of the British monarch, who

had led the British Empire during World War I, was unveiled on the site. George V had died in 1936. A fountain was installed in 1949. From 1968, the adjoining section of Albert Street was closed and the buildings along its frontage demolished. An expanded 'King George Square' reopened in 1975. Some Expo'88 sculptures were relocated there for a time. Another major redevelopment of King George Square was completed in 2009.

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## Statement of significance

### Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

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#### Historical

##### CRITERION A

The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history as the formal forecourt to the City Hall providing a civic and multi-functional community gathering space.

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#### Aesthetic

##### CRITERION E

The place is important because of its aesthetic significance offering views and vistas to and away from City Hall.

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#### Historical association

##### CRITERION H

The place has a special association with the life or work of a particular person, group or organization of importance in the city's or local area's history

as it commemorates the life of King George V and it contains statues that commemorate the pioneering Petrie family and suffragette Emma Miller.

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