



Abi Cryerhall

Principal / Manager, Archaeology

Abi Cryerhall has over 25 years' experience as an archaeologist and heritage consultant. She has worked on a broad range of research, conservation and development-led projects in Ireland, Sicily and Australia. She is a specialist in historical archaeology and heritage management for infrastructure projects.

Abi has worked on sites of local and state heritage significance in NSW, Victoria and Tasmania, as well as World Heritage listed places. She is an experienced excavation director who meets the Heritage Council of NSW's criteria for state and locally significant sites. Her archaeological projects have included convict-era sites, Victorian slums and urban centres, nineteenth-century waterfronts and industrial sites, military barracks, early colonial landscapes and rural homesteads.

Abi is highly skilled and experienced in project and team management. As heritage project lead, she has successfully directed many large-scale rural redevelopment and complex urban developments. She has also managed heritage input for many complex infrastructure and transport projects.

Abi has expertise in the preparation of heritage and archaeological assessments, research designs, heritage impact statements, heritage and compliance advice, and heritage management documents. She also has a thorough understanding of NSW heritage and planning legislation, best-practice guidelines, and their application for developers.

Qualifications

BA (Joint Hons), History of Art & Architecture/Ancient History & Archaeology, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

Professional Affiliations

Australasian Society for Historical Archaeology

Being a heritage consultant is a great privilege—we get to see the layered stories of humanity, and how heritage and archaeology can be used to connect diverse communities.

Key Experience

Historical Archaeology Advice and Investigations

- Sydney Metro West Parramatta Station Site—Client: Sydney Metro.
- Parramatta Light Rail Infrastructure—Cumberland Hospital, Queens Wharf Reserve and Robin Thomas Reserve—Client: CPBD JV.
- Parramatta Light Rail Infrastructure Utilities—Client: Various.
- Parramatta RSL—Client: Paynter Dixon for Castle Hill RSL Group.
- Arthur Phillip High School, Parramatta—Client: School Infrastructure NSW.
- Young High School—Client: School Infrastructure NSW.
- Taree Police Station—Client: NSW Police Force.
- Anglesea Barracks, Hobart—Client: Department of Defence.
- Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne—Client: Case Meallin.
- Balmain East Transport Interchange Upgrades—Client: Transport for NSW (for Artefact Heritage).

Heritage Advice and Assessment

- Sydney Metro The Bays Power Enabling Works—Client: Quickway.
- New Intercity Fleet Blue Mountains Route Clearance—Client: Continuum Alliance.
- Blue Mountains Line Overhead Wiring—Client: Continuum Alliance.
- New Intercity Fleet Enabling Works—Client: Transport for NSW.
- Parramatta Light Rail Infrastructure—Client: Cox/CPBD JV.
- Power Supply Upgrade Feeder 7U5—Client: Transport for NSW.
- Sydney Metro West Definition Design—Client: WSP/AECOM.
- Sydney Metro, Archaeological Advisor 2018–2020—Client: Sydney Metro.
- Sydney Metro City and Southwest Chatswood to Sydenham EIS—Client: Jacobs/Transport for NSW (for Artefact Heritage).

Aboriginal Heritage

- Parramatta RSL Stage 2—Client: Paynter Dixon.
- 71 Macquarie Street, Sydney—Client: Richard Crooks.
- Sydney Light Rail, Construction Phase—Client: Acciona (for Artefact Heritage).
- Parramatta Park Paddocks Precinct—Client: Parramatta Park Trust (for Artefact Heritage).

International Archaeological Excavations

- Hammond Lane, Dublin, Salvage—Client: Office of Public Works (for Margaret Gowen & Co, Archaeology & Heritage Consultants).
- High Island Monastic Settlement, Co. Galway—Supervisor—Client: Office of Public Works (for Georgina Scally), 1997–2002.
- Montallegro Roman Villa, Sicily—University of Nottingham, 1995–1998.

Presentation/Papers

- 'Archaeological Discoveries from Parramatta Light Rail', webinar in conjunction with Parramatta Connect and Transport for NSW, 2020.
- 'Managing Archaeology and Remediation at the Arthur Phillip High School site', Douglas Partners Technical Seminars, 2018.
- 'Significance thresholds—dilemmas in assessing significance', Sydney Historical Archaeology Practitioners, National Archaeology Week, 2016.
- 'Barangaroo South Archaeological Excavation—the main findings', Sydney Historical Archaeology Practitioners, National Archaeology Week, 2013.
- 'The Archaeology of Barangaroo South', Heritage Talks 2012 series of the Heritage Branch, Office of Environment and Heritage, 2013.
- 'The Industrial Archaeology of Darling Walk', Institute of Engineers Australia NSW Chapter, 2011.
- 'Recent archaeological discoveries at Darling Harbour', Royal Australian Historical Society, National Archaeology Week, 2011.
- 'Don't forget to look in the big hole: Excavation of a foreshore environment, Darling Harbour', Maritime Archaeology and Heritage Seminar, Sydney University, 2009.
- 'Excavations at 15 Macquarie Street, Parramatta', History Week at the Parramatta Heritage Centre, 2009.
- 'Excavations at Hammond Lane: Hurdle ford to iron foundry', Friends of Medieval Dublin Symposium 2005, Trinity College Dublin, 2005.
- 'Recent archaeological discoveries at Kilgobbin, Stepside, County Dublin—a Neolithic and Bronze Age landscape', for the Dalkey Archaeological Society, Ireland, 2005.
- 'Smithfield, Dublin: the excavation and the artefacts', National Heritage Week, Ireland, 2002.

Publications

Cryerhall, A 2006, 'Excavations at Hammond Lane: Hurdle Ford to iron foundry' in Duffy, S (ed.), *Medieval Dublin VII*, Four Courts Press.