

## **NOMINATION TO THE ACT HERITAGE REGISTER**

*Please note that the information below represents indicative heritage values only, and not the views of the ACT Heritage Council (the Council).*

*This nomination is yet to be assessed by the Council against the heritage significance criteria established under the Heritage Act 2004.*

*Acceptance of a nomination is a preliminary, threshold step and ought not to be taken as indicative of any particular outcome concerning the Council's assessment of the nomination.*

**Wilson House**  
**Block 9 Section 24 ARANDA**  
**38 Mirning Crescent ARANDA**

Designed by local Canberra Architect Roger Pegrum. The house is set in an attractive native landscape garden with original gum trees. The entry path winding through the garden to the walled courtyard provides a sense of discovery on reaching the entry gates. The house was an advanced design solution in Canberra at the time, has a Japanese character with the house looking onto the private courtyard and garden rather than addressing the street. This character is enhanced by the detailing of the building which is simple and elegant throughout, with the internal and external timber window frames originally painted black, framing the landscape beyond. The materials and finishes are neutral colours throughout and relate well to the native flora. The functional layout and siting of the split-level house are resolved well on the sloping site. The informal spacious character of the living spaces flow one from another, and out into the garden. The quality of the house and its siting make an outstanding contribution to its suburban environment. The house was awarded the CS Daley Medal in 1974. It is an example of the Sydney Regional Style of architecture.