

**BIOGRAPHY**

Earle Scott was among a generation of architects which was dedicated not only to the profession but also to the broader community. He has touched others with his selflessness, optimism and enthusiasm for the future of the profession (Landorf, 1999).

Scott was born in Adelaide on 30 April 1924 and educated at Scotch College. On leaving school in 1940 he worked for the South Australian Railways (Page, 1986). In 1942 he joined the Royal Australian Navy and served in the South Pacific arena during the Second World War until 1946. He gained a Fellowship Diploma in Architecture in 1953 from the South Australian School of Mines and Industries and a Bachelor of Engineering in Architecture from the University of Adelaide in 1954 (Scott, 1992, 2010; Page, 1986).

After a short period with the Commonwealth Department of Works, in 1951 Scott worked for F. Kenneth Milne, Dawkins, Boehm & Ellis from 1952 to 1954 (Page, 1986). He then joined the architectural firm of Garlick and Jackman in 1954 as a graduate architect. In 1959 he became a partner, the firm becoming Jackman Gooden and Scott Architects (Lee, 1979). When John Brian Swan became a partner in 1964 the firm became Jackman Gooden Scott & Swan Architects. In 1976 the firm became a proprietary limited company and Scott served as Chairman until 1983. He then served as a Director of the renamed Jackman Gooden Architects until his retirement in 1992 (Landorf, 1999).

His major commissions included alterations, additions and fit-out for Cox-Foys Department Store in Rundle Street, Adelaide (1959) which included a rooftop fairground boasting a ferris wheel. Other major projects in Adelaide were premises for Motor Traders Ltd on Wakefield Street, Adelaide (1964, now demolished), the head offices of the State Government Insurance Commission in Waymouth Street and the Southern Farmers Group in Franklin Street (Landorf, 1999). In all his work Scott emphasised the use of natural materials such as timber and brick and believed that buildings should fit into their environment and be pleasant to look at. His approach was rewarded when he was presented with both the Clay Brick House Award and the Distinguished Achievement in Timber Award for his own house at Torrens Park in 1977 and the Clay Brick Award for the 'Hecker' House in Belair in 1988.

To keep abreast of design and technical developments, Scott travelled to Asia, Europe and the United States. Scott, who registered as an architect in South Australia in 1954 and later registered in the Northern Territory, was elected an associate of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (RAIA) (SA Chapter) in 1954 and was President of the Chapter from 1971 to 1972. He was made a Fellow of the RAIA in 1964, Life Fellow in 1976. In 1999 he was awarded the Sir James Irwin President's Medal for service to, and the promotion of, the profession of architecture. He was awarded the Order of Australia in 2006 for service to architecture and the community through welfare for persons with disabilities and adaptive reuse of heritage buildings.

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**SOURCES**

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**COLLECTION DESCRIPTION**

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**Series List**

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S366/1/1	Personal – 3 copies of Curriculum Vitae	July 1992
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S366/1/4	Photo of E Scott "University of SA Councillor 1992-1996"	
S366/1/5	Photo "Uni of SA" Graduation Ceremony with E Scott "Fellow of U of SA"	6/9/99
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S366/1/11	Media information sheet re: E Scott for Order of Australia Medal	26/1/06
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S366/2/1	Chart of structure of firm of Jackman Gooden Scott and Swan Pty Ltd from 1850 to 1981 (2 copies)	

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S366/2/4	Article and picture of State Bank of SA Head Office Redevelopment	Sept. 1982
S366/2/5	Article and pictures of home of Earle Scott, 4 Yaminga Place, Torrens Park	1977
S366/3/1	Two copies of List of Architectural books held by Earle Scott	
S366/3/2	List of books and pamphlets held by Earle Scott (re arbitration)	
S366/4/1	Three copies of speech given at Architects Board of SA function (for new registered architects)	19/11/08
S366/4/2	List of attendees at Architects Board of SA function	19/11/08
S366/4/3	Draft and final copy of letter to Architects Board of SA re History of Board	7/9/09
S366/4/4	Letter from RAI A re conferral of Fellow of Uni SA	7/9/99
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S366/4/7	Letter to Architectural Practice Board of SA – re Registration Certificate 204 dated 30/6/54	24/7/11
S366/5	History of Ian Campbell and Alan Godfrey (architects)	
S366/6/1	Certificate of attendance at The Risk Management Course conducted by RAI A	23/3/04
S366/6/2	Two copies of letter from Attorney-General re appointment as an industry assessor for the District and Magistrates Court	7/6/03
S366/6/3	Certificate of attendance at the Master Class at The Institute of Arbitrators Australia	27/5/95
S366/7/1	Two copies of plans of E Scott's home at Torrens Park	
S366/7/2	Building and Architecture Magazine (RAI A SA Chapter) Vol 9 No 8 showing new State Bank Building on cover (proposed)	Sept 1982
S366/7/3	Plan of "Hall Court" – new car park and store for Savings Bank of SA	March 1965
S366/7/4	Photo of old State Bank of SA building	
S366/7/5	Proof sheet of photos of building	
S366/7/6	Photo of interior of George Weston Foods, Seaton factory	
S366/7/7	Clay Brick Award for house at 2a Craigwood Drive, Belair Photo of interior of house (2 copies) Photo of exterior of house (2 copies)	1985

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	Photo of architects with certificate "building & architecture" Journal (RAIA) Jan/Feb 1986 – with article re Award	
S366/7/8	Slides of "State Bank" (6)	
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S366/8/2	Cutting re Transport corridors in the metro area	
S366/8/3	Cutting re transport corridors and the State Planner	
S366/8/4	Cutting re Cowandilla Primary School flexible classroom unit	7/10/70
S366/8/5	Cuttings of "Letters to the Editor" re parklands	
S366/8/6	Cutting from Advertiser newspaper "MATS delay useful"	9/12/70
S366/8/7	Cutting "SA architects back Rundle Street mall"	
S366/8/8	Cutting "Letters to the Editor" "Historic Buildings" (ANZ Bank)	24/3/71
S366/9/1	Radio address (Station 5 DN "Probe Programme" on Preservation of Historic Buildings	11/1/71
S366/9/2	Speech at RAIA function – various topics	
S366/9/3	Speech given at RAIA Annual Dinner	1972
S366/9/4	Press statement re City of Adelaide	10/10/72
S366/9/5	Suggested newspaper articles from RAIA – SA Chapter	Dec 1971
S366/9/6	Statement on MATS plan	7/12/70
S366/9/7	Copy of letter to Lord Mayor of Adelaide re parklands	11/7/72
S366/9/8	Speech at Exhibition of 130 Years of Architecture	24/11/81
S366/9/9	Speech given at function for RAIA	
S366/10/1	Partnership Agreement between Whinney MacKay – Lewis and Jackman Gooden, Scott and Swan	27/10/81
S366/10/2	Letter from Robert Fraser Insurance Brokers Ltd (London) with card attached from John Frostick of "The Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership Ltd."	23/7/87
S366/10/3	Letter to "The Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership" re London visit of Earle Scott	24/1/92
S366/10/4	Letter from "The Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership" in answer to letter of 24/1/92 re visit	25/2/92
S366/10/5	Letter to The Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership re letter of 25/2/92	5/3/92
S366/10/6	Letter from Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership re visit to USA and copy of letter of introduction to Swanke Hayden Connell & Partners	25/7/83
S366/10/7	Three Letters to Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership from E Scott re his visit to London One letter from Whinney Mackay-Lewis Partnership re visit to London	1/8/97 1/7/97 11/7/97
S366/10/8	Booklet about Whinney Mackay-Lewis	

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S366/10/9	Share prospectus for Whinney Mackay-Lewis	25/9/86
S366/11/1	Report of Overseas Study and Professional Tour of Mr and Mrs PE Scott	March to June 1980
S366/12/1	“People to People International” – 6 pages of cartoons	1983
S366/12/2	Letter to People to People International enclosing copy of presentation to Delegates by E Scott	22/7/83
S366/12/3	Letter from People to People International re copy of journal	3/7/84
S366/12/4	Journal book of Delegation to USA—(Biographies, visits, meetings)	13/8/83 to 2/9/83