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Now and Then

The H.M. Customs House, Quay Street



H. M. Customs House, cnr Quay & Barolin Sts., ca 1903.

The first Customs House was on the river bank where the Bundaberg Port Authority office was situated for many years. In 1903 they moved to a new building on Quay St, then in 1958 next door to the building which is currently BRC Councillor's offices.



Commonwealth Bank ca 1921.

The first Commonwealth Bank in town opened in Bourbong Street in 1915. In 1921 they moved premises to the former H. M. Customs House. In 1978 the Commonwealth Bank relocated to land near Sugarland Shopping Centre and the building was sold.



Bundaberg & District Library ca 1980.

In 1978, after a bequest from local farmer Mr Stanley Faulkner, Bundaberg Council purchased the former bank building and refitted it to become the city's first free Library. The former subscription library was relocated from the School of Arts building in 1980. The Library outgrew the premises and relocated to a new building in April 1994.



Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery ca 2009.

In 1996, 2 years after new Library premises had been built on Woondooma Street, the Bundaberg Arts Centre moved into the former Library/Bank/Customs premises.

In 2009, following amalgamation and rebranding, the exterior was repainted and became the Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery (BRAG).

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