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National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

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Property Name	Niche of the Madonna of Mount Carmel		
Address	Triq tat-Teatru Antik / Triq Zekka		
Town Name	Valletta	Toponym	-
		Local Council	Valletta
Property Owner	Religious	Managing Body	Carmelite Friars
Guardianship Deed	-		

Period	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)		
Phase	Modern: British (1800 - 1964)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Artistic Historical Social	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	High
Property Function	Religious	Conservation Area	-

Outline Description	Large, monochrome, stone niche.
Property Description	This is a highly decorated niche housing a statue of the Madonna and Child holding a scapular. The baldachin above the statue is supported by angels and is decorated with cherubs and has a cross on top. On the mensola the Carmelite coat of arms is sculpted in low relief. It is surrounded by spiral design and floral motifs. It was created by Salvatore Dimech in 1855, influenced from the Nazarenes. It replaced a mid-18th century statue which is now kept in the courtyard of the adjacent Carmelite friary. It has recently been installed with electrical lighting in the form of bulbs. There is also a bulb in the shape of a flame fixed to the base of the statue beneath a cherub in low relief.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	0276	G.N. Date	2008
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Recommended Bibliography	Galea, M. (2011) <i>Valletta: Statues, Niches, Small Churches, Public Fountains, Public Clocks, Monuments and Marble Tablets</i> : Allied Publications
	Terribile, T. (2000) <i>Nicec u statwi fit-toroq Maltin</i> : PIN

Coordinates : Easting

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Northing : Coordinates

Property Plan



Property Images

