Samanea saman — Raintree

Scientific Name:

Samanea saman

Common Name:

Raintree

Register Number:

18 & 19

Location of Tree:

Stuart Memorial Park (Raintree Park), Smith Street Mall, Darwin NT

GPS:

-12.46294, 130.842

Categories of Significance:

Aesthetic Unique Location Group Habitat

Date Planted:

1957

Planted By:

John Ahmatt

Year Listed:

1986



These two magnificent Raintrees were planted around 1957 by John Ahmatt, when the newly formed Darwin City Council took over the maintenance and care of city parks from the Federal Government. Their shade has become a focal point for community activities.

Native to South America, these giants close their leaves at night and when the leaves open again in the morning condensed moisture drips, like rain, hence the name 'Raintree'.

