

# MANNIK Singh

#### **GRADUATE OF ARCHITCTURE**

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# hello

MANNIK SINGH IS AN ARCHITECTURAL GRADUATE, ILLUSTRATOR AND CREATIVE WRITER. MANNIK WAS BORN IN FEROZEPUR, PUNJAB AND LIVED IN CHANDIGARH UNTIL THE AGE OF 19. HE STUDIED AT THE YADAVINDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL, MOHALI BEFORE MOVING TO MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA TO PURSUE HIS TERTIARY EDUCATION IN ARCHITECTURE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE.

HAVING WORKED IN MELBOURNE FOR 5 YEARS AS A STUDENT & GRADUATE, MANNIK HAS A SOLID FOUNDATION OF ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE UNDER HIS BELT. HE HAS A KEEN INTEREST IN RESIDENTIAL & HERITAGE ARCHITECTURE. HIS THESIS, 'PUB+: A PLACE WHERE YOU GO WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO' TACKLED ADAPTIVE REUSE OF A BRUTALIST PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY GARNERING HIM A NOMINATION FOR THE PRESTIGIOUS BATES SMART AWARD IN NOVEMBER 2023.

MANNIK HAS ALWAYS BEEN A STORYTELLER. THROUGH HIS PAINTINGS, PROSE, AND POEMS, HE LIKES TO PAINT A VERSION OF THE STORY HE WANTS TO NARRATE. THE SAME IS APPLICABLE FOR THE TYPE OF ARCHITECTURE THAT HE TRIES TO DESIGN – SOMETHING THAT TELLS A STORY. SOMETHING THAT MAKES THE USER REFLECT, INTROSPECT AND PROJECT THEIR VERSION OF THEIR STORY ON. SIMULTANEOUSLY, HIS WORK PUSHES THE BOUNDARIES OF DESIGN TOWARDS ONE THAT IS SUSTAINABLE & SENSITIVE TO INDIVIDUALS' NEEDS AND CONTRIBUTES TO THE BETTERMENT OF SOCIETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

IN 2024, MANNIK RELEASED HIS DEBUT POETRY COLLECTION, '26: A COLLECTION OF POEMS & OTHER WRITINGS'. HIS INTEREST IN WRITING POETRY BEGAN IN HIGH-SCHOOL WHEN HE WAS TRYING TO ESCAPE INTO THE SECRET WARDROBES, OR WONDROUS WORLDS WITHIN HIS MIND, WEAVE STORIES OF HIS FANTASIES AND CAPRICES. INSPIRED BY THE TIMELESS VERSE OF EMILY DICKINSON, PARTICULARLY HER POIGNANT REFLECTION ON MORTALITY IN "BECAUSE I COULD NOT STOP FOR DEATH," MANNIK EMBARKED ON A JOURNEY OF SELF-DISCOVERY THROUGH POETRY.

### publications

#### **GLOBAL ARCHITECTURE PROFILING CATALOGUE,**

#### 2019

COMPILED AND PROFILED, AS A GROUP, ARCHITECTS FROM NINE DIFFERENT CITIES AROUND THE WORLD INTO A CATALOGUE.

# 26: A COLLECTION OF POEMS & OTHER WRITINGS , 2024

*26* IS A SELF-PUBLISHED FEAT THAT STEMS OUT OF MANNIK'S DESIRES TO UNDERSTAND LIFE UP UNTIL THE AGE OF 26. THROUGH VERSES CRAFTED FROM UNPOSTED LETTERS, DIARY ENTRIES, AND HEARTFELT CONFESSIONS, THE BOOK UNVEILS A WORLD OF LOVE, PAIN, REGRET, AND VULNERABILITY.

#### references

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### education

#### 2022-2023

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE. THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE MELBOURNE GRADUATE'S SCHOLARSHIP FIRST CLASS HONOURS (HIGH DISTINCTION)

#### 2017-2019

#### BACHELOR OF DESIGN (ARCHITECTURE),

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

SECOND CLASS HONOURS (DIV B)

### achievements

#### BATES SMART AWARD, 2023

SHORTLISTED FOR THE BATES SMART AWARD FOR MY M.ARCH DESIGN THESIS PROJECT 'PUB; A PLACE WHERE YOU GO, WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO.' THE BATES SMART AWARD RECOGNISES EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH AND RESOLUTION AT DESIGN THESIS LEVEL.

#### **ARCHITIZER ONE DRAWING CHALLENGE, 2022**

FINALIST AT THE ARCHITIZER AWARD FOR ONE DRAWING CHALLENGE FOR MY M.ARCH STUDIO D PROJECT: ART EXPOSE AND WAS RECOGNISED FOR ITS ARCHITECTURAL STORYTELLING.

#### MELBOURNE GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP, 2022

CONFERRED THE ESTEEMED MELBOURNE GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE.

## skills & technical toolkit

AUTODESK REVIT / RHINOCEROS + GRASSHOPPER/ ADOBE CREATIVE SUITE (PHOTOSHOP, ILLUSTRATOR, INDESIGN, AFTER EFFECTS) / MICROSOFT OFFICE SUITE (WORD, EXCEL, POWERPOINT, SHAREPOINT) / UNREAL ENGINE / AUTOCAD / MODEL MAKING / 3DS MAX / FIGMA / DROFUS / STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT / USER RESEARCH

# leadership

#### ARCHITECTUS, MELBOURNE

MELBOURNE STUDIO DESIGN CHAMPION - INVOLVED IN THE PROMOTING & FOSTERING A BETTER DESIGN CULTURE IN THE MELBOURNE STUDIO. JANUARY 2024 - AUGUST 2024.

#### CREATIVE LITERATURE AND WRITING SOCIETY

(CLAWS), THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE GRAPHIC DESIGNER AND TREASURER, OCTOBER 2018 -NOVEMBER 2019

#### ARCHICLE, THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER, MAY 2018 - MAY 2019 MARKETING OFFICER, MAY 2019 - SEPTEMBER 2020

### languages

ENGLISH (NATIVE | BILINGUAL) / PUNJABI (NATIVE | BILINGUAL / HINDI (NATIVE | BILINGUAL)

## work experience

#### DECEMBER 2023- AUGUST 2024

ARCHITECTUS-CONRAD GARGETT, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA Graduate of Architecture

#### KEY PROJECTS:

- <u>COOMERA HOSPITAL, GOLD COAST:</u>
  - CONTRIBUTED TO DETAILED DESIGN DOCUMENTATION FOR HEALTHCARE INFRASTRUCTURE, LEADING STRUCTURAL COORDINATION WITH SITE ENGINEER & STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS FOR PRECAST PANEL DRAWINGS ADHERING TO COMPLIANCE STANDARDS AND TIGHT TIMELINES.
  - WORKED CLOSELY WITH STRUCTURE DESIGN TEAMS TO DETERMINE TENDON PLACEMENTS FOR LIFT SHAFT WALLS, I APPLIED MY ADVANCED PROFICIENCY IN BIM MODELING, REVIT TO ENHANCE PROJECT DOCUMENTATION AND STAKEHOLDER PRESENTATIONS.
  - PROACTIVELY MANAGED CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS TO ALIGN DESIGN GOALS WITH ENGINEERING CONSTRAINTS.
    - AS A TEAM, WE DELIVERED HIGH-QUALITY DOCUMENTATION AHEAD OF SCHEDULE, MINIMISING CONSTRUCTION ERRORS.

#### **BELL-BARDIA SOCIAL & AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT:**

- DIRECTED THE FEASIBILITY AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN PHASES, ESTABLISHING BIM AND CONTEXT MODELS IN REVIT TO STREAMLINE PLANNING.
- CONDUCTED IN-DEPTH REVIEWS AND COMPLIANCE CHECKS, ANALYSED COMPLEX REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND DESIGN CHALLENGES TO DELIVER INNOVATIVE, COMPLIANT SOLUTIONS.
- COORDINATED MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENGINEERING TEAMS AND MANAGED PROJECT MILESTONES, ENSURING SEAMLESS DELIVERY UNDER TIGHT TIMELINES.
- ORGANISED AND FACILITATED MEETINGS WITH STAKEHOLDERSAND MONITORED AND MITIGATED ALL ISSUES AND RISKS
- PRESENTED SOLUTIONS IN A SIMPLIFIED MANNER TO THE CLIENT TEAMS USING REVIT AND ADOBE CC.
- SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERED COMPREHENSIVE DESIGNS THAT MET ALL COMPLIANCE AND DESIGN OBJECTIVES, EARNING CLIENT APPROVAL AND SETTING A STRONG FOUNDATION FOR SUBSEQUENT PROJECT PHASES.

#### NOVEMBER 2022 - DECEMBER 2023

#### ARCHITECTUS-CONRAD GARGETT, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA <u>Project co-ordinator</u>

#### KEY PROJECTS:

- FRANKSTON HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT:
- COORDINATED DETAILED DESIGN DOCUMENTATION.
- LED USER GROUP PRESENTATIONS BY PREPARING CONSTRUCTION REVIEW PACKS WHILE COLLABORATING WITH MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENGINEERING TEAMS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE AND ALIGNMENT WITH AUSTRALIAN HEALTH FACILITY GUIDELINES (AUSHFG), STAKEHOLDER EXPECTATIONS & PROJECT GOALS.
- RESEARCHED MATERIALS, EMBODIED ENERGY, AND LOCAL REGULATIONS TO ALIGN DESIGNS WITH ESD, SUSTAINABILITY AND COMPLIANCE GOALS.
- INDEPENDENTLY MASTERED REVIT + BIM360, DROFUS, AUTOCAD, SHAREPOINT TO UPHOLD PROJECT GUIDELINES, PRODUCING COMPRHENSIVE SETS OF CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS, FURNITURE, FIXTURES & FITTINGS SCHEDULES, FINISHES SCHEDULES, ROOM DATA SHEETS, AND ROOM LAYOUT SHEETS.
- ACHIEVED STAKEHOLDER APPROVAL AND DELIVERED HIGH-QUALITY, COMPLIANT DOCUMENTATION, ENSURING SEAMLESS PROJECT PROGRESSION AND ADHERENCE TO TIMELINES.

#### V-LINE STATION UPGRADES:

- LED SCHEMATIC & DETAILED DESIGN DOCUMENTATION AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT WITH V-LINE AUTHORITIES.
- REDUCED PUBLIC SCRUTINY OF SENSITIVE STATION DESIGN THROUGH THOROUGH COLLABORATION WITH HERITAGE CONSULTANTS & MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
- RESEARCHED & CONDUCTED SESSIONS WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS TO ENSURE SAFETY IN DESIGN OF HIGH PROFILE PUBLIC PROJECT.

#### JANUARY 2020 - NOVEMBER 2022

KATZ ARCHITCTURE, PTY. LTD , MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA STUDENT OF ARCHITECTURE

#### **KEY PROJECTS:**

#### SWAN STREET COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- PREPARED MARKETING SETS AND TOWN PLANNING DOCUMENTATION IN REVIT.
- RESPONDED TO REGULATORY AND PLANNING QUERIES, CREATING COMPLIANT DOCUMENTATION TO MEET COUNCIL AND REGULATORY STANDARDS.
- COORDINATED WITH MULTIDISCIPLINARY CONSULTANTS TO ENSURE PROJECT ALIGNMENT WITH TECHNICAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS.
- SUPPORTED TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS BY PREPARING THOROUGH DOCUMENTATION AND CONCEPTUAL DRAWINGS.

#### KOO WEE RUP BOWLS PAVILION:

- LED SCHEMATIC DESIGN AND DETAILED DOCUMENTATION PHASES OF THE
  PUBLIC BUILDING
- MANAGED & COLLABORATED WITH FIRE, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, AND HYDRAULIC CONSULTANTS, AND LIAISED WITH FIRE RESCUE VICTORIA (FRV) TO MITIGATE DESIGN & COMPLIANCE RISKS DURING CONSTRUCTION PHASE.
- CONDUCTED STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS WITH THE CARDINIA SHIRE COUNCIL
  PROJECT MANAGERS AND USER GROUPS.
- ENSURED ALL DESIGNS ADHERED TO ACCESSIBILITY (ASI428.1) AND SAFETY STANDARDS, INTEGRATING THEM SEAMLESSLY INTO PROJECT DOCUMENTATION.

#### MELTON-COBBLEBANK TOWNHOUSES:

- ANALYSED, CONSOLIDATED, & PREPARED REGULATORY DOCUMENTS FOR
  PROJECT INITATION & TO MITIGATE RISKS DURING THE DESIGN PROCESS
- UNDERSTOOD & OVERSAW THE MARKETING PACKAGES, INCLUDING DRAFTING DRAWINGS AND RENDERS USING ENSCAPE AND ADOBE CREATIVE SUITE & COORDINATED WITH 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY RENDERING COMPANIES TO ENSURE THE MARKETING PACKAGE MET CLIENT'S SALES VISION & PITCH.
- LED STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS WITH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES, USER GROUPS, AND PROJECT MANAGERS TO ADDRESS DESIGN AND COMPLIANCE CONCERNS.

#### BEST RESIDENCE, PORTSEA:

- IDENTIFIED CLIENT OBJECTIVES & GOALS FOR THE RENOVATION OF THEIR HIGH-END BEACH SIDE PROPERTY.
- ADVOCATED FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS, INCLUDING RECLAIMED OPTIONS.
- RESEARCHED AND PROCURED MATERIALS, FIXTURES, AND FINISHES THROUGH DESKTOP RESEARCH, SALES MEETINGS, AND COMING UP WITH ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS AMID MATERIAL SHORTAGES DUE TO BUSHFIRES.
- RESPONDED & LIASED WITH CONTRACTORS TO ANSWER THEIR
  CONSTRUCTION RFIS.

#### SEPTEMBER 2024 - NOVEMBER 2024

#### SIMBAL STUDIOS, CHANDIGARH, INDIA

PROJECT LEAD (ARCHITECTURE)

#### **KEY PROJECTS:**

#### • AULOS FACTORY FITOUT:

- LED THE CONCEPTUAL AND EARLY SCHEMATIC DESIGN PHASES OF THE FACTORY FIT-OUT.
- ENSURED INITIAL PROJECT SETUP COMPLIED WITH REGULATORY BUILDING STANDARDS IN INDIA, INCLUDING FIRE AND MECHANICAL SERVICE REQUIRE-MENTS.
- COORDINATED WITH THE STRUCTURAL ENGINEER AND IN-BUILT CRANE CON-TRACTOR TO DEVELOP DRAWING FRAMEWORKS FOR CRANE INSTALLATION.
- PRESENTED SIMPLIFIED GRAPHICAL SOLUTIONS, INCLUDING 3D VIEWS, ORTHOGRAPHIC DRAWINGS, AND DIAGRAMS, TO COMPLEX DESIGN CHALLENGES DURING STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS WITH CLIENTS AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.
- DELIVERED HIGH-QUALITY SCHEMATIC DESIGN DOCUMENTATION THAT
  ALIGNED WITH CLIENT EXPECTATIONS

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### **PROJECT HISTORY**

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Katz Architecture Melbourne, 2020-2022

PROJECTS:	YEAR	SECTOR	PHASE
Melton - Cobblebank Townhouses	2020-2022	Residential	Townplanning-Schematic
Best Residence	2021-2022	Residential	Schematic-Detail Design-Construction
Cobblebank Industrial Park	2022	Industrial/Infrastructure	Townplanning-Schematic
Terrara Park Sports Pavilion	2020-2021	Public/Community	Construction Documentation
Caloola Reserve Sports Pavilion	2021	Public/Community	Construction Documentation-Marketing
Brentwood Sports Pavilion	2021	Public/Community	As-Built Documentation
Brunt Road Childcare Centre	2022	Education	Interior Detail Design
Vermont South Childcare Centre	2021-2022	Education	Concept Design
MyPlace Youth Centre	2020-2022	Public/Community	Schematic Design-Marketing
Swan Street Commercial	2020-2022	Commercial	Schematic Design-Marketing
RedCat Offices	2021	Commercial	SD-DD-CD-Tender-CA
Belgrave Library	2020	Public/Community	Schematic Design
Auburn Primary School	2020	Education/Landscape	Schematic Design
Hawthorn Residence	2022	Residential	Schematic Design-Detail Design
Bogong Multi-level Carpark	2022	Industrial	Schematic Design
Deep Creek Pavilion	2021	Public/Community	Issued for Tender
Berwick Townhouses	2020-2022	Residential	Townplanning-Schematic Design
Victorian Fisheries Authority	2022	Masterplanning	User Group Reviews
Bill Lawry Oval Pavilion	2021	Public/Community	Competition
Koo Wee Rup Bowls Pavilion	2021-2022	Public/Community	Schematic Design
Bridge Road Residence	2020-2021	Residential	Schematic Design-Townplanning

Bridge Road Residence Lloyd Reserve Pavilion

PROJECTS:

V/Line Station Upgrades Frankston Hospital Coomera Hospital, Gold Coast HV - Bell-Bardia Social Housing YEAR SECTOR

Public

2020-2022

2022-2023

2023-2024

2024

2024

PHASE

SD-DD-CD-CA

Heritage/Industrial/PublicSchematic DesignHealthDD-CDHealthDDResidential - LivingFeasibility, Schematic



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**Conrad Gargett** Melbourne, 2022-2024

**Simbal Studios** Chandigarh, 2024 PROJECTS:YEARSECTORPHASEAulos Factory2024IndustrialConcept Design

\*Highlighted Projects featured in the portfolio

# **OI. FRANKSTON HOSPITAL**

#### HEALTH ARCHITECTURE; NEW BUILT + RENOVATION

FRANKSTON, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA 2023-2024

**CONSTRUCTION BUDGET:** \$1.1B

DESIGN DIRECTORS: PAUL EMMETT, GEOFF CORDINGLEY, IAN MOON, JOHN ZADRO, REBECCA MOORE, MARK SAUNDERS + BATES SMART PROJECT ARCHITECTS: RYAN BROWNE, AMANDA CHAN, LAURA MOLLOY, CHLOE SCOTT, HIEN TRAN + BATES SMART

WORK EXPERIENCE, ARCHITECTUS-CONRAD GARGETT

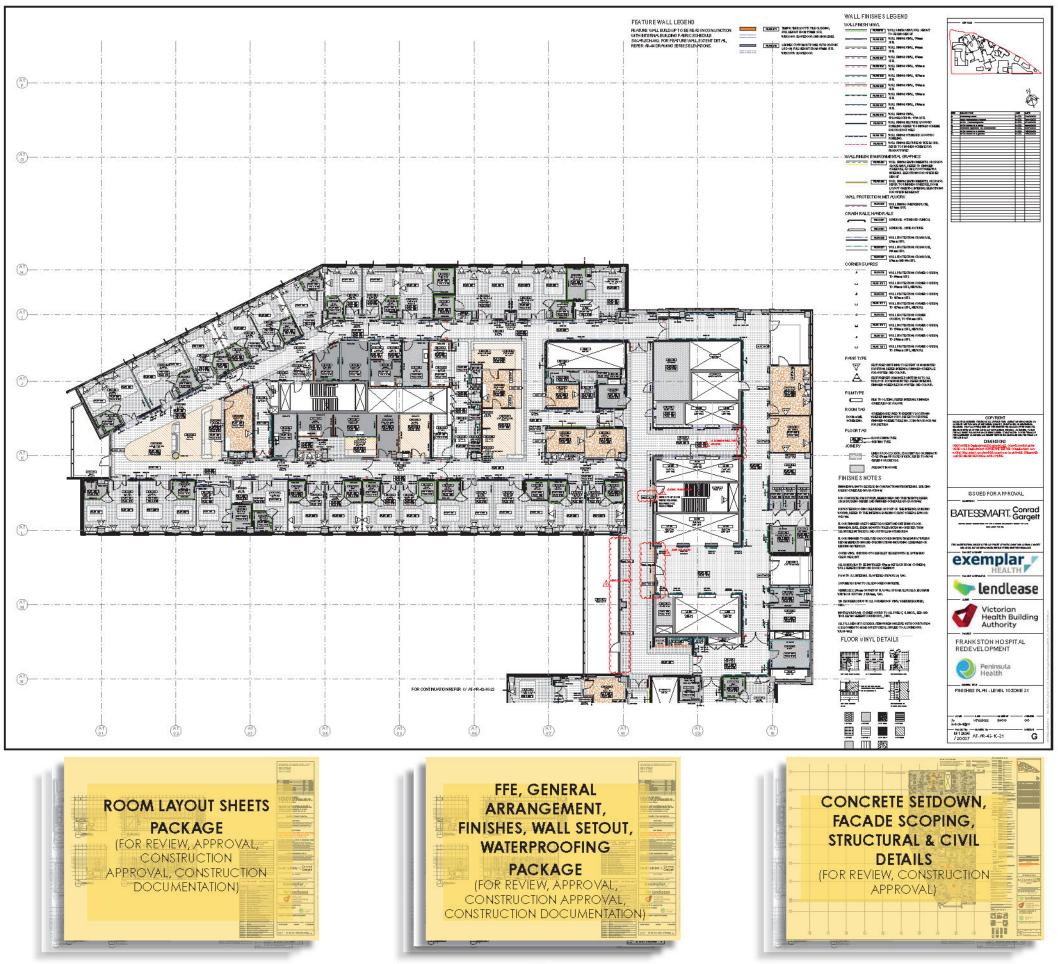
#### **INVOLVED IN:** Detail Design & Construction Documentation

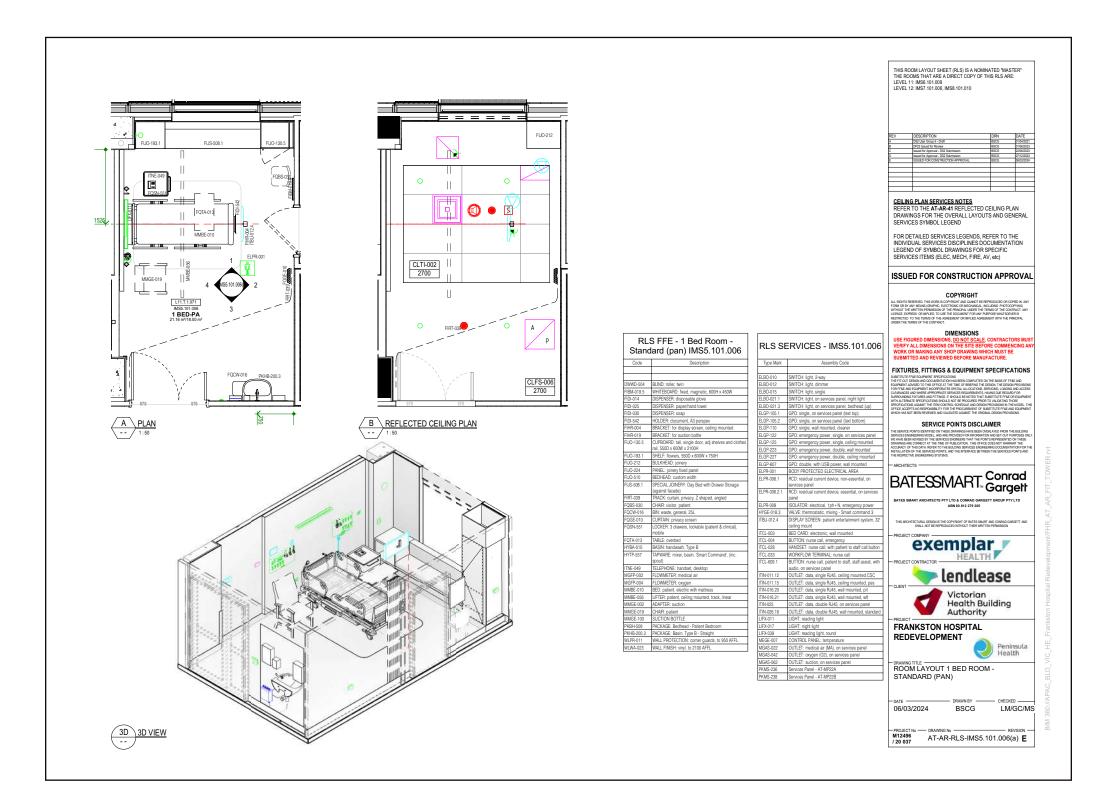
The Frankston Hospital Redevelopment represents a significant investment of \$1.1 billion aimed at enhancing and modernizing the hospital's services. The core objectives include the construction of a new tower featuring 12 levels dedicated to clinical services and a redesigned main entrance, an addition of 130 beds, provision of new facilities for mental health and oncology services, and incorporation of 15 state-of-the-art operating theatres.

Furthermore, the expansion of the emergency department is set to introduce a specialized hub for mental health, alcohol, and other drugs, along with a dedicated paediatric zone. This expansion is designed to offer specialized care to patients, their families, and caregivers during critical moments.

As a member of the project team, my responsibilities encompassed the meticulous documentation of Room Layout Sheets for User Group presentations, development of Detailed Design Documentation, and creation of Issued for Construction Review Packs. Additionally, I played a pivotal role in the preparation of Finishes Plans for reference group presentations and consultations, contributing to the overall detail design process by working on FFE (Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment) plans. I actively participated in managing finishes schedules and Room Data Sheets, and collaborated on the creation of Issued for Approval and Issued for Construction Approval packs. My involvement in these tasks has been instrumental in ensuring the project's adherence to design standards and successful progression through approval processes.







In addition to my involvement in the aforementioned tasks, I took an active role in the preparation of Finishes Plans designed to serve as reference material for group presentations and consultations. This intricate process required a keen eye for detail and a thorough understanding of design elements to ensure that the visual aesthetics aligned seamlessly with the project's objectives. I also played a crucial part in the development and management of Finishes Schedules and Room Data Sheets, contributing to the overall coherence of the project.

A notable aspect of my responsibilities included collaborative efforts on Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (FFE) plans, where my assistance contributed to the successful execution of the team's objectives. This collaborative approach extended to handling Finishes Schedules, ensuring that all materials and finishes were meticulously documented for reference and implementation.

Given the sensitive nature of ongoing projects and the importance of confidentiality, I have to exercise discretion in this portfolio of works. This decision aimed to safeguard the integrity of our work and prevent any unintended disclosures that could compromise project security.



# A PLACE WHERE YOU GO, WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO

#### MULTI-USE HERITAGE ADAPTIVE REUSE : HEALTHCARE FACILITY, TRAUMA SHELTER, ARTS & CRAFTS CENTRE & A PERFORMANCE VENUE

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE - DESIGN THESIS: PUB+ SEMESTER 2, 2023

INDIVIDUAL WORK

**<u>Achievement:</u>** Nominated for Bates Smart Award for Design Thesis Excellence.

Drawings drafted in Rhino & Adobe creative suite.

My Thesis project aims to transform the Footscray Psychiatric Centre into a supportive space for the Queer Community, leveraging architectural, historical, and social elements inspired by pubs. Recognizing the neglect of Queer history in heritage sites, the project seeks to reclaim the center by infusing it with Queer culture and theory.

Functionally, the renovated building will serve as a hub for hospitality, shelter, and rehabilitation, incorporating features like performance venues, consultation rooms, and residential areas. Architecturally, the design opens up the building to the public with a pub inserted into the structure, emphasizing accessibility and communal interaction.

The design embraces unconventional forms, with inverted arches and expressive facades, reflecting the Queer community's defiance of societal norms. Materials such as translucent polycarbonate and glass blocks symbolize Queer visibility and clandestine encounters.

Through its design, the project aims to reflect on the past, layer Queer identity into the architecture, and engage with the broader Queer discourse. Ultimately, it aspires to create a welcoming space where everyone, regardless of identity, feels at home.











#### [The Site]

The Footscray Psychiatric Centre, a designated Victorian Heritage Site, boasts a distinctive architectural design of brutalist aesthetics. Notably, it features a seamingly windowless façade characterised by concrete panel projections that protrude from its structure.

As one's vision ascends the building, a striking design choice becomes apparent: the windows gradually diminish in size, potentially offering a sense of privacy to those within the center.

For access to the carpark, visitors utilise the eastern entrance, while a fenced extension on the southern side suggests a later addition to the facility.

Concrete Service and Stair shafts, six in total, extend further from the building's surface and are accentuated by a fillet roof form.

The building's façade is composed of Board Formed concrete, with many of its original markings still discernible, adding to its historical charm.

The stark architectural features are softened by the presence of established native vegetation surrounding the cente

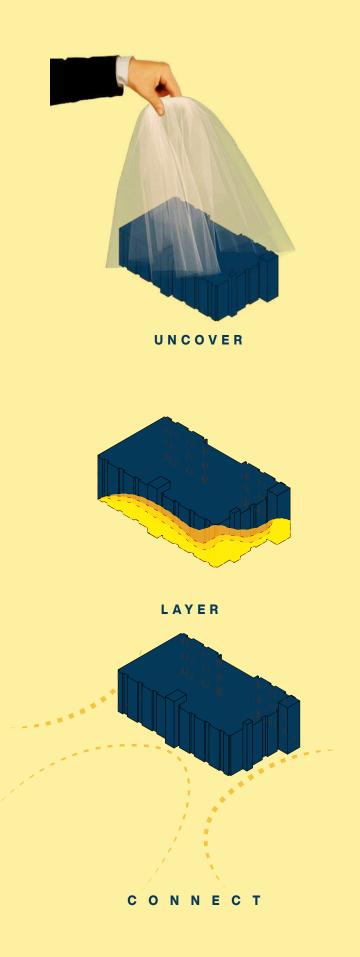
#### [The Context]

The structure is situated at the eastern gateway of the Footscray Psychiatric Center, encompassed by parking facilities on all sides.

To the west, the imposing Footscray Hospital stands with its brick factorystyle architecture, offering a contrasting element of warmth within the broader surroundings.

On the eastern side of Gordon Street, a series of semi-detached and detached houses line the street, accompanied by a concrete social housing building to the southeast.

Heading north, a row of commercial establishments lines Gordon Street, contributing to the diverse urban landscape.



CONCEPTUAL UNDERPINNING DIAGRAM

"The Body Keeps the Score" by Dr. Bessel van der Kolk explores how trauma is stored in different parts of the body and how movement can aid in the healing process. The book highlights that traumatic experiences often leave a lasting imprint on the body, leading to physical and psychological symptoms. Dr. van der Kolk emphasizes that traditional talk therapy alone may not be sufficient to address these deep-seated issues.

"The Body Keeps the Score" underscores the interconnectedness of the mind and body in trauma recovery, emphasising the importance of incorporating physical movement and somatic therapies into treatment to promote healing and resilience.

Exploring the concept of dance, movement, and healing within the Queer community through creative outlets highlights the pivotal role of performance. Drag, costumes, voguing, dancing, and performing are multifaceted and essential elements in the Queer Community. They serve as potent means of self-expression and empowerment, allowing individuals to authentically showcase themselves, irrespective of societal norms. Drag, in particular, offers a platform to challenge prevailing gender norms, fostering a more inclusive comprehension of identity.

Furthermore, these artistic expressions create a profound sense of belonging and community among LGBTQ+ individuals. Drag shows, dance gatherings, and voguing events establish safe havens where people can unite, celebrate shared experiences, and provide support. These occasions cultivate camaraderie and solidarity, facilitating connections among LGBTQ+ individuals who have encountered similar adversities and discrimination.

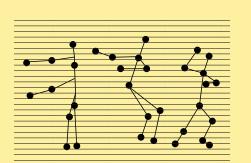
Beyond mere entertainment, they function as instruments of identity, community, and activism within the Queer Community. By incorporating spaces that emphasise healing through performance into Queer Culture, this initiative aims to contribute to the healing process.



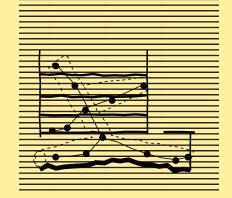
People used voguing to peacefully solve problems between rivals who respected and understood each other. Through dancing and gestures, they would communicate and compete by showing off their best humorous and sassy moves. The person who could throw the best shade would win

Voguing is characterized by the formation of lines. It is a very spatial dance form. Old Style prefers symmetry, and precision in the execution of formations with graceful, fluid-like action. New way is characterised by rigid movements coupled with "clicks" (limb contortions at the joints) and "arms control"

Its spatial nature, it makes it an interesting format to create interesting architectural moves

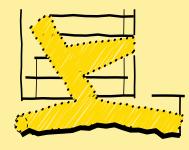


[Voguing Mapping]



[Transposing & Mapping it on the Site]

1. Super-Posing a person in Death-Drop/Dip (usually the ending of a Voguing Dance Performance) on the building to carve an internal volume



[Crafting the internal volumes]

2. Carving a building to reflect internal volume in the style of a dip, while alse internally setting in the building to create communal balconies within the building footprint.



[Focal Point]

3. The Focal Point within the section of the Building is Always the stage

### QUEER SPACES ADJECTVES

SUBVERSION, SUBJECTIVATION, INTERSECTIONALITY, IRONY, PARODY, TRAVESTY, REJECTION, TRANSIENT, KINETICS, NO CLOSETS, METABOLIC, MULTITUDINAL, UNLABELLED, FLEXIBLE, BOUNDARY-BENDING, NON-BINARY

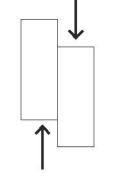
Cutting is the fundamental act in the process of Gender Alignment. While cutting may have separatist connotations - the act when done on the skin, creates a healing fabric between that cut. This is then extended into architecture & the transience of materiality & form,





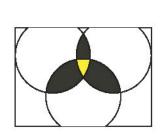
[Cutting & Regrowing] Inspired by Queer Theory & Gender Alignment

Surgery

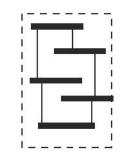


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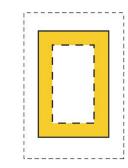
Derived from the exaggeration of the existing building's architectural moves in the facade system and applying it across the building



[Intersection] Intersectionality of Identities & Communities



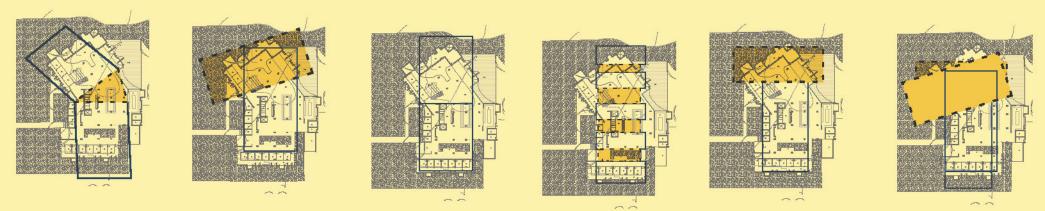
[Panelisation & Protrusion] Derived from the exaggeration of the existing building's architectural moves



[Enveloping & Shrouding]

A post-Modern approach to shroud the existing building & making it an object

#### CONCEPT DIAGRAM



The design introduces a pub as the central functional and aesthetic element, carefully cutting the existing heritage building at key points to preserve its facade. A new volume intersects and encases the structure, with the pub functioning as a ramp connecting street level to the ground floor, while upper levels are suspended on a column-and-beam framework. Strategic cuts are regrown with contrasting courtyards, and the ground floor is replaced with a large volume that interacts uniquely with each level. Additional cuts in the panels bring light into the heavy structure and conceptually highlight queer individuals, enhancing visibility from the street.





FINAL DRAWING POLYPTYCH (ACTUAL SIZE: 3.8m x 1.2m)

# O3. Best residence

#### **RESIDENTIAL ADDITIONS & ALTERATION**

PORTSEA, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA 2021

CONSTRUCTION BUDGET: \$300K DESIGN DIRECTOR: PAUL KATZ

WORK EXPERIENCE, KATZ ARCHITECTURE

**INVOLVED IN:** Schematic Design, Detail Design, & Construction Documentation

The proposal for Best Residence in Portsea seeks to add a high-end touch to a rustic beach house. The main areas of focus are the ensuite and the kitchen area.

The client had a strong vision for the alterations to his Beach side Property. Usage of luxe finishes and dark stained timber was a request that has been carried throughout the living spaces and the kitchen. The appliances are integrated into the kitchen joinery and the existing air conditioner has been concealed in the timber battened ceiling.

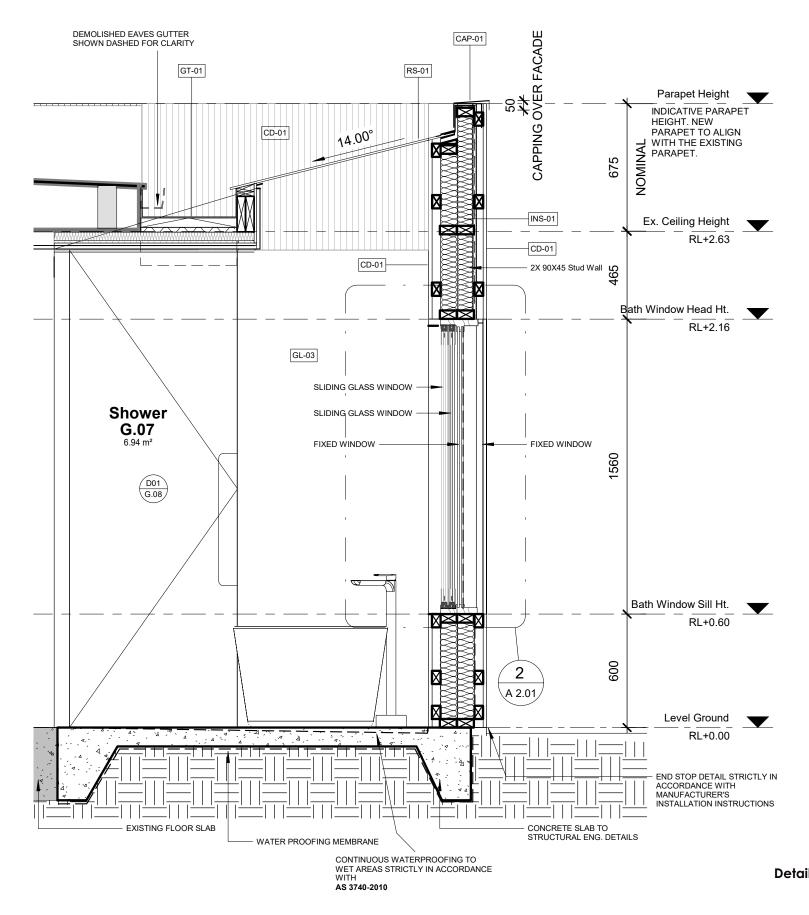
The envelope of the building is left untouched, except a minor bridge that connects the humble Ensuite extension to the main house. The addition takes the bath and shower outside. The fixtures are gunmetal grey with concrete bathtub. Dark Shou-Sugi Ban finished Blackbutt cladding wraps the extension, with custom patterned floor tiles wrapping up to form wall tiles for the wet areas. The extension is surrounded by lush trees and the sliding windows to bathtub aims to blur the boundary between inside and outside.

As a part of the team, I was involved in documenting the schematic & tender sets, Fittings & Fixtures selection, material selection, prepartion of FFE & Finishes schedule & answering RFIs under the supervision of Project Architect and the Design Director.





Ensuite Internal Elevations 1:50 @ A3



Detail Wall Section 1:20 @ A3

# 04. Bridge road residence

#### **SINGLE RESIDENTIAL & HERITAGE CONSERVATION**

BRIDGE ROAD, RICHMOND, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA 2020-2021

#### CONSTRUCTION BUDGET: \$1.1M DESIGN DIRECTOR: PAUL KATZ PROJECT ARCHITECT: JENNIFER MU

WORK EXPERIENCE, KATZ ARCHITECTURE

INVOLVED IN: Schematic Design Phase, Townplanning Application & Services Co-ordination

Sited on a 3.8m wide commercial front site on Bridge Road in Richmond, the renovation and addition works to this tight lot were full of exciting challenges.

The heritage shopfront is retained and the new residence is added to the rear of the site, carefully tucked away from the busy & bustling Bridge Road. Accessed via the rear laneway, the South Elevation forms the interface between the public and private. The house rises and steps to abide by the conditions of the ResCode & local by-laws, which helps in expressing the form of this humble residence.

The structure is carefully planned within the external walls so the space inside can be as open as possible. Despite being a narrow and long site, with decks to both Northern and Southern Side, full-height glazing and skylights, the space inside is etherealised and feels light.

Under the supervision of the Design Director, I was responsible for preparing the Town Planning Application Drawing set for the development and presentation set for the clients.





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Narrow Hallways & opaque Neighbouring Tree Canopy extends over the walls make the space feel Laneway & interacts with the subject site by preventing overlooking into the residence to the south of the site.



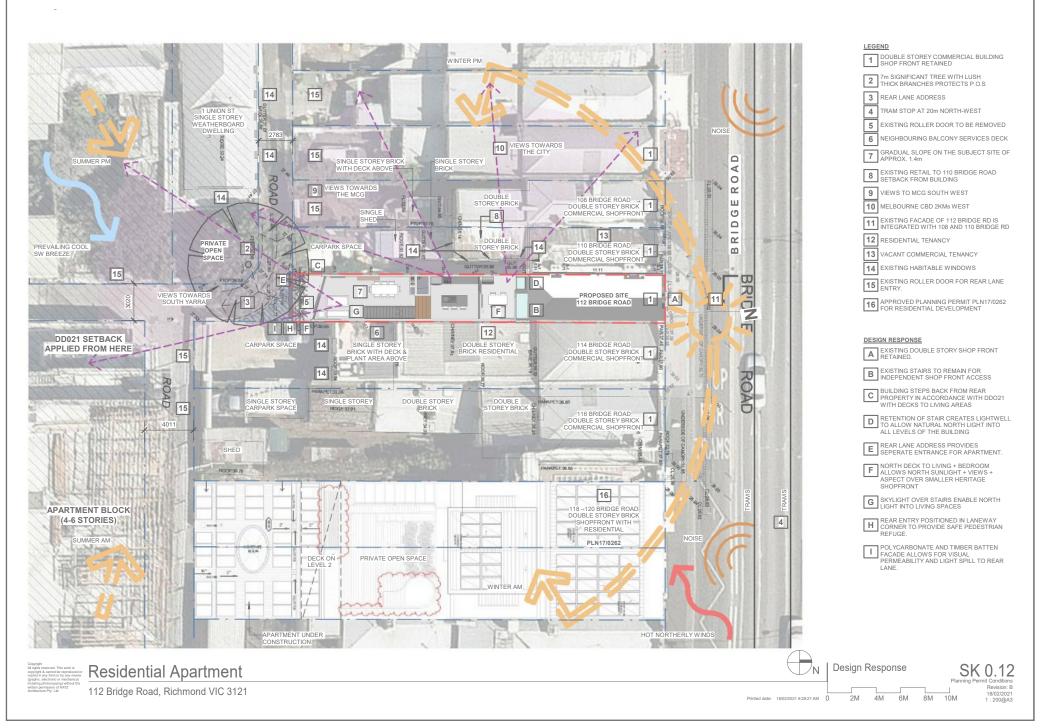
Existing Walls and Paling fence to the South Western Edge of the building offer neglible relief from the heaviness of the building

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS - PHOTOS**



SOUTH ELEVATION PERSPECTIVE

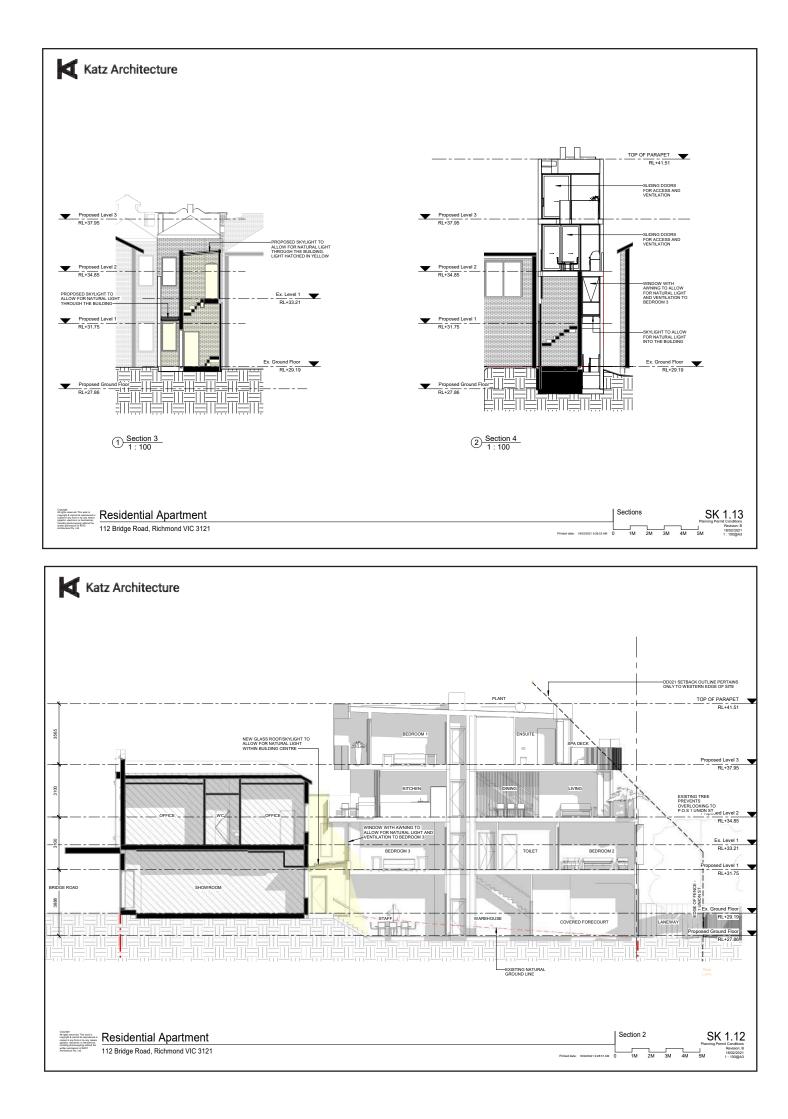
NORTH ELEVATION 1:100@ A3



#### SITE DESIGN RESPONSE 1:200 (ORIGINAL SCALE)

Located on a narrow 4.3-meter-wide site with a southward slope, this shopcum-residential city residence was designed for clients based in country Victoria. The split-level entry capitalized on the site's gradient, creating a dynamic approach. Facing the bustling Bridge Road, the shopfront offers a vibrant commercial interface, while the quieter southern lane provides a calm residential entry amid the urban chaos.

The building's form thoughtfully detaches from the heritage shopfront through a small courtyard, ensuring natural light and ventilation for the adjacent bedroom and living spaces. Emerging behind the heritage frontage, the design incorporates setbacks and decks on either side, enhancing light penetration and internal environmental quality. The town planning process involved meticulous site analysis, including a heritage assessment, traffic management strategies for construction and post-occupancy phases, and the resolution of overlooking concerns through carefully selected physical and material solutions.



This mixed-use building is a carefully crafted blend of functionality and design, featuring a carport, a dedicated staff breakout zone, and separate stair access to the residential areas, offices, and the ground-floor shopfront. Thoughtful planning ensures the building serves its diverse purposes while maintaining distinct and efficient zones.

The upper floors are intelligently organized to maximize space and livability:

- Level 1: Two well-appointed bedrooms, a shared bathroom, and a series of flexible office spaces designed for productivity
- Level 2: A bright and airy living room, a modern kitchen, and a dining area, complemented by dual balconies that enhance indoor-outdoor connectivity.
- Level 3: A luxurious master bedroom with an ensuite, dual balconies, and a private jacuzzi, offering panoramic views of the MCG and Yarra River.

All levels are seamlessly connected by a compact residential lift, ensuring accessibility and convenience throughout the structure.

The building's setbacks are designed in strict compliance with RESCODE and planning overlays, carefully adhering to height restrictions and other regulatory requirements. These measures not only align with legal stipulations but also contribute to the overall harmony of the building within its urban context.

The tight site configuration and narrow approach posed significant design and construction challenges. Achieving a cohesive plan required innovative solutions to bridge the varying functions of the building. A construction methodology centered on prefabrication was adopted, including pre-assembling the entire building floors and walls. This approach not only addressed spatial constraints but also streamlined the construction process, ensuring precision and efficiency in executing the design vision.



#### OFFICE FITOUT

STEPHENSON STREET, CREMORNE, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA 2021

#### CONSTRUCTION BUDGET: \$900 K DESIGN DIRECTOR: PAUL KATZ PROJECT ARCHITECT: KOULA STYLIANOS

WORK EXPERIENCE; KATZ ARCHITECTURE

INVOLVED IN: Shematic Design, Detail Design, Construction Documentation & Contract Administration

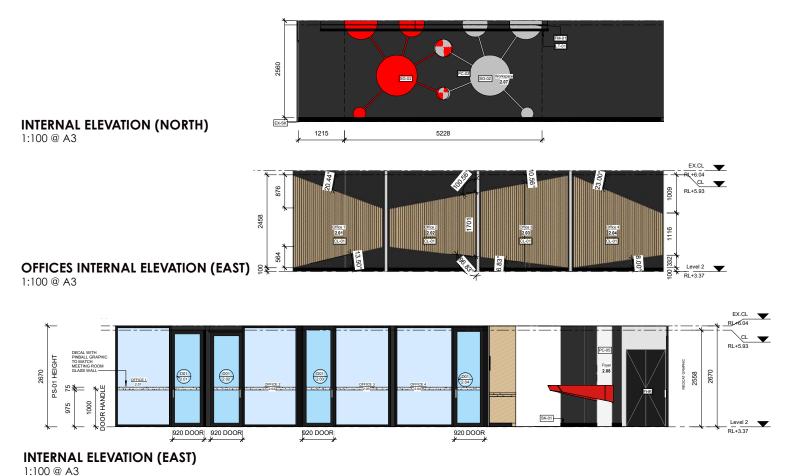
Having outgrown their current office space (which Katz Architecture completed a few years back), the clients decided to expand their workspace to the tenancy above.

Using their brand colours - Bright Red & Black, Katz was able to form the basis of the material selection. A signature red stripe leading from the entry through the the offices dotted along the eastern wall, draws the eyes to the feature batten wall.

The stark red joinery forms the centre-piece of the office - a place to hang out over a cup of coffee and a quick chat. The avocadoturned-pinball shaped joinery was loved by the clients so much that Katz custom-designed the decal pattern for the glazing.

As a part of the team, I was involved in documenting the schematic & construction sets, prepartion of 'Finishes, fittings and fixtures' schedules, material selection & answering RFIs under the supervision of the Project Architect and the Design Director.



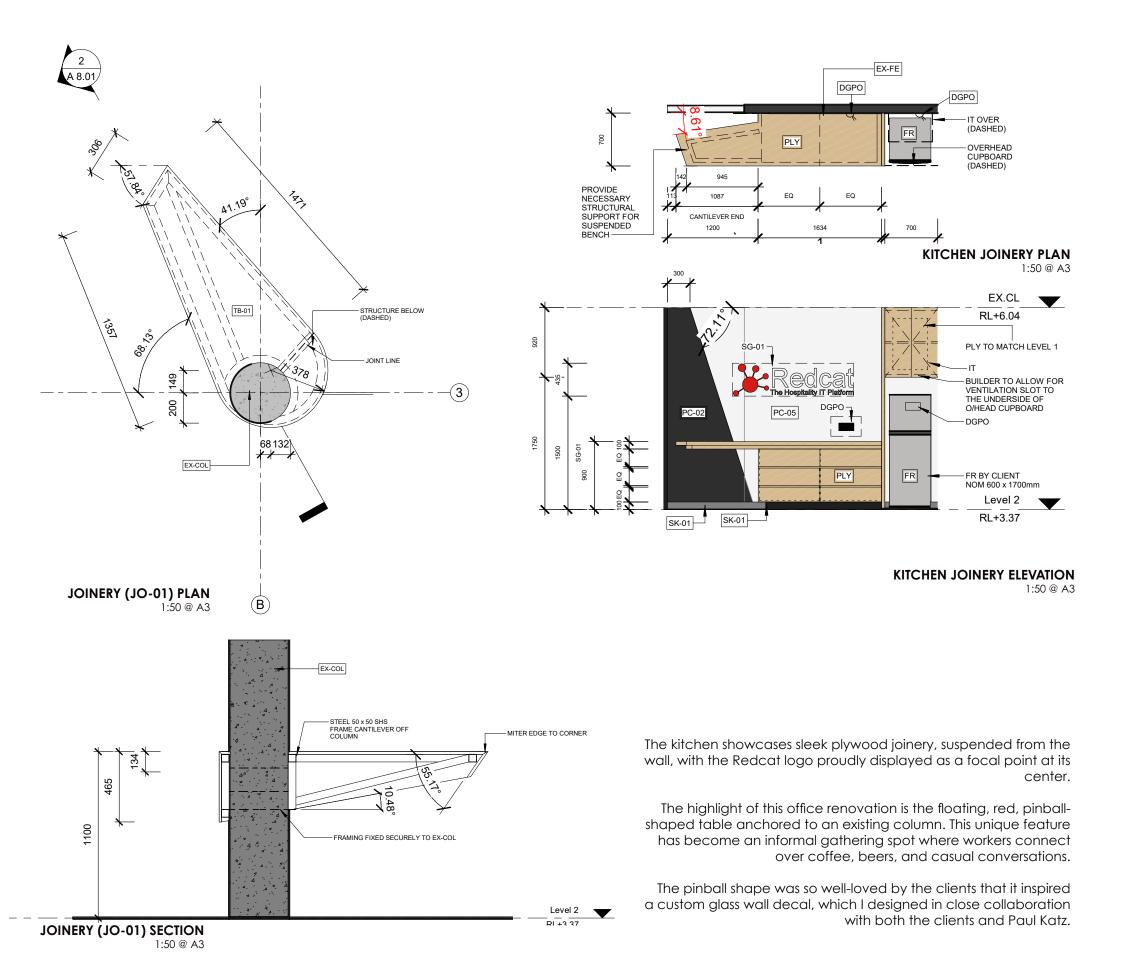


The office fit-out draws inspiration from the material palette designed by Katz Architecture for the floor below.

Designed for IT specialists and executives, this level features a striking timber-paneled wall that undulates across the space, adding depth and character to the office environment. This dynamic element contrasts beautifully with the dark, muted wall tones.

To address the low ceiling height, stressed aluminum panels are installed above the desks, enhancing the sense of openness by reflecting the two-way pendant lights positioned over the workstations.

**OFFICE AS BUILT** 



# 06. Lloyd reserve pavilion

#### **PUBLIC & SPORTS ARCHITECTURE**

SUNSHINE NORTH, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA 2021

#### CONSTRUCTION BUDGET: \$2M DESIGN DIRECTOR: PAUL KATZ

WORK EXPERIENCE, KATZ ARCHITECTURE

#### INVOLVED IN: Schematic Design, Detail Design, & Tender Documentation

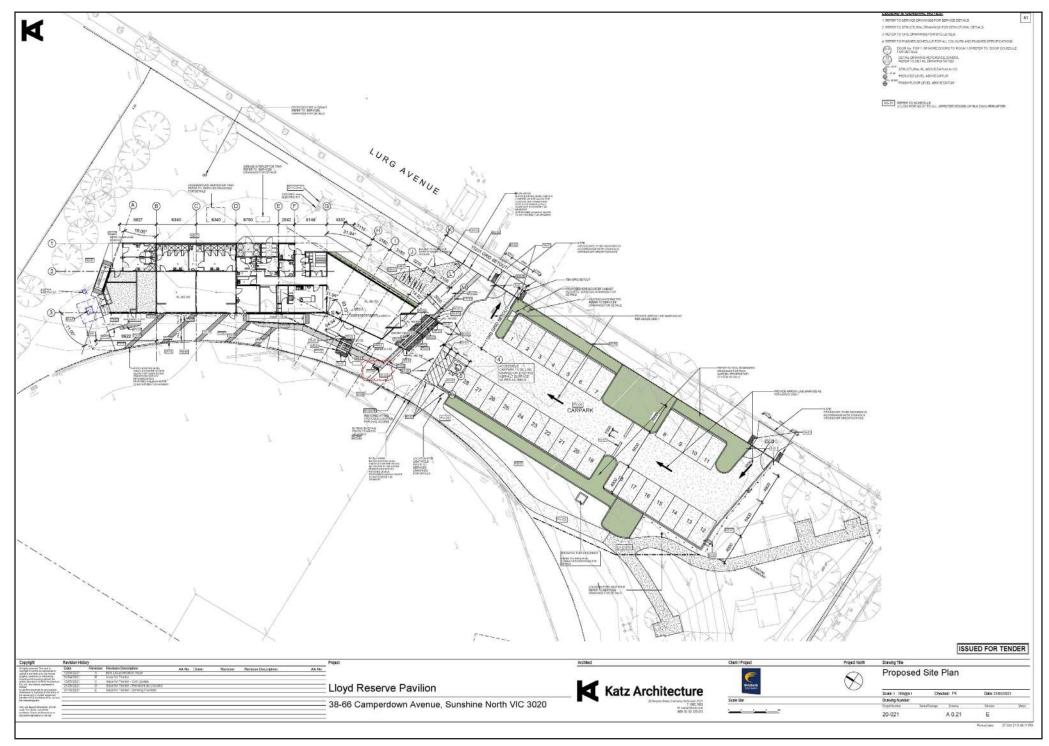
Lloyd Reserve Pavilion stands as a significant multimillion-dollar design venture within the Brimbank City Council, dedicated to enhancing the existing facilities at Lloyd Reserve and its accompanying oval ground. The project encompassed the demolition of the pre-existing structure, alongside the initiation of early works preparation.

Katz Architecture, in collaboration with affiliated engineers, spearheaded the development of an innovative design proposal. The comprehensive plan incorporated state-of-the-art amenities such as change rooms for both umpires and referees, as well as users, a social room, kitchen facilities, and administrative offices. Additionally, the project entailed the groundwork for a new car park crafted in compliance with local by-laws and Australian standards. The design also featured provisions for Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) systems, aligning with Brimbank City Council's Environmental Sustainable Development (ESD) standards outlined in their planning regulations.

My involvement in the project was instrumental in bringing the design director's vision to fruition. I played a key role in coordinating plans and drawings with various engineering disciplines, including civil, structural, landscape, and services. Conducting on-site visits was an integral aspect of my responsibilities, ensuring a thorough understanding of the site and its services for comprehensive documentation.



**EXISTING SITE PHOTOS** 

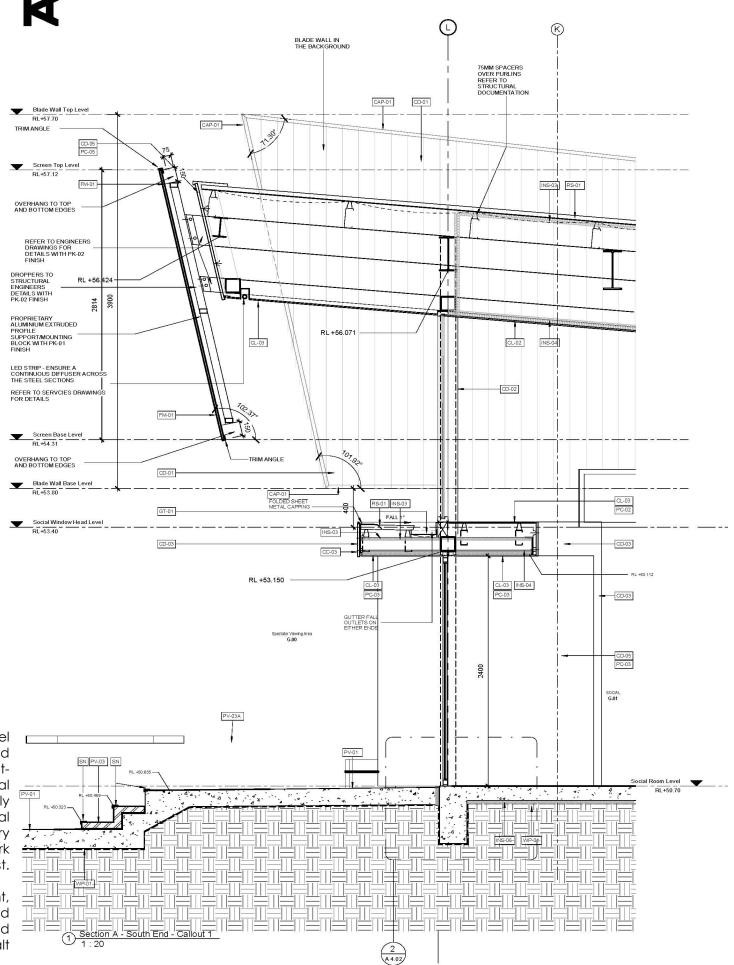






PAINT COLOURS, CARPET & FINISHES

PAINT COLOURS, TILES & VINYLS



Originally envisioned with a Corten steel façade, the Lloyd Pavilion was ultimately clad in Colorbond aluminum panels as a costsaving measure while preserving the original design intent. The color palette is distinctly Australian, with the rich red hues of the central and northern territories reflected in the primary façade material. Recessed areas feature dark Zincalume panels, adding depth and contrast.

Eucalyptus green serves as a subtle accent, appearing in the airlock, feature tiles, and carpeting. Natural tones are further emphasized through the cool greys, inspired by the basalt plains of Victoria.

# 07. Art exposé

#### NARRATIVE & DISCOURSIVE ARCHITECTURE: ARTS & CRAFTS CENTRE & MULTI-USE SITE ZONING

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE - DESIGN STUDIO D: ART, LIFE & OTHER THINGS SEMESTER 2, 2022

GROUP WORK WITH EVELYN NEW & XIANKE QI

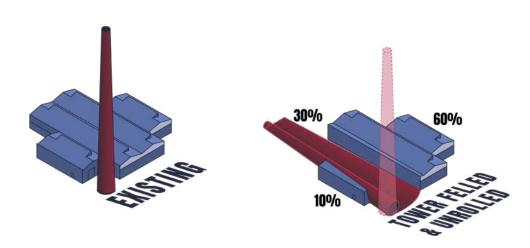
**<u>Achievement</u>**: Shortlisted for Architzer's One Drawing Challenge, 2022.

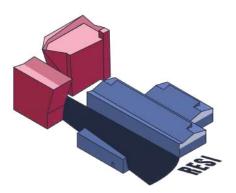
Sally Gabori's legacy and the controversy surrounding stolen artwork frames the discourse of a proposed Art Expose project, aiming to reshape the art industry's dynamics. The initiative seeks to empower artists, reduce dealer influence, and revive textile craft in Clifton Hill & Collingwood. By creating a fabric arts forum, the project confronts issues like exploitation and fraud prevalent in the industry.

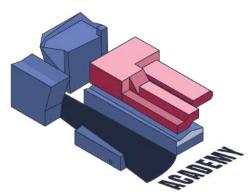
The design splits the site to allocate more space for artists and the public while minimising dealer presence. It integrates historical and environmental considerations, including repurposing a decommissioned tower and addressing lead contamination. The project incorporates state-of-the-art textile conservation practices and creates public spaces for engagement, including a dyeing garden and an amphitheater.

Commercial and residential spaces support the art academy financially, with artist residences and studios fostering a creative community. Architectural inspirations range from historical landmarks to contemporary designs, emphasising transparency and direct interaction between artists and the public.

With this facility, we aim to create an architecture that critiques, comments and reflects on the apparent problems of the art industry. The relationship between the artist and the dealer is one commonly fraught with exploitation and unfair trades. Here, the public mediates the dysfunctional relationship by partaking in active observation and commentary within a discursive architecture that fosters public engagement with the local art scene.

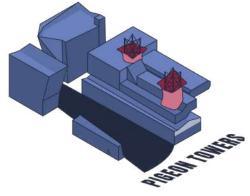






The facility as its first move splits the share of artists-dealers to 60-30-10 by felling the tower to separate the site into two unequal portions. On the east, the academy conservation labs and factory occupy the pivotal space. On the Western edge, the dealers, commercial gallery and commercial residential tower flank the public plaza.

The public occupies the central North-South Axis where multiple pavilions and interventions ensure full visual transparency, offer spaces for protests and aid in active and passive reflection



SITE MAKING & FORM FINDING DIAGRAMS

A0 TRIPTYCH FINAL DRAWING (ACTUAL SIZE: 2.5m X 1.2m) >







HEALING OF THE INDUSTRY THROUGH COMMUNITY & ART

**CONCEPTUAL DIAGRAMS & PROGRAM PRIMERS** 

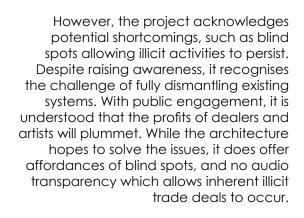


#### PERSPECTIVAL EAST ELEVATION



NORTH ELEVATION





Pigeons that once occupied the site have been rehomed into new pigeon towers and now act in cahoots with the dealers and money launderers as their feathered stewards smuggling art in and out of the storage through ducts and pipes. Unbeknownst to the public, these pigeons have formed a very intricate network. Aiding Machiavellian millionaire patrons with their White collar crimes in exchange for better living conditions for the pigeon race.

The public's awareness is raised to a level where they can champion for gradual change but not enough to completely dismantle the existing systems that keep the industry ticking. The blind spots keep the public out of sync with the entire process. The Public is conveniently left out of sync with these illicit deals and goes about their business imagining art life is being well taken care of.



INTERNAL PERSPECTIVE OF THE ACADEMY



**EXTERNAL COURTYARD** 



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