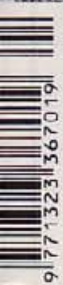


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The practice's earlier projects have tended to involve programs and explorations of interior architecture within the context of an existing building of which Richmond residence is no exception. The design strategy negotiates questions of building typology and in particular the delineation of old and new, both formally and conceptually. Subtle and direct devices are utilised in addressing an existing program that includes a single heritage listed bluestone front bedroom and a pre-approved unbuilt pre-cast concrete shell enveloping the remainder of the house. These elements

combine to encourage MGA+D's concerns with both 'continuity' and 'newness'. Other current projects under construction include South Yarra, Albert Park and Prahran residences. The practice is also known for its collaborations outside the normal parameters of architecture, with artists and sculptors. It believes in the importance of public architecture and aspires to acquiring projects in this realm in the future.