

HERITAGE MANAGEMENT

Urban heritage is seen as "... a mindset, and understanding of the city, or part of the city, as an outcome of natural cultural and socio-economic processes that construct it spatially, temporally, and experientially... [I]ts usefulness resides in the notion that it incorporates capacity for change'

- UNESCO (Clarke & Kuijpers, 2015)

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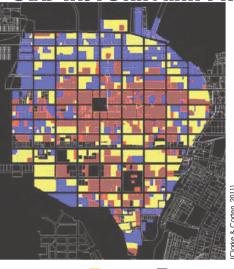
Heritage management = monument focused preservation of static tangibles intolerance to change

No change = No development

Human nature + cities = inherently changing

Focus shifted to socio-economic needs of community (Swart, 2010)

CBD HISTORAL MAPPING



Contributing Neutral

Disturbing

PTA CBD HERITAGE



39% of Pretoria CBD buildings are heritage structures

Only 19 are listed

Reasons:

- Mostly Modernist [misunderstood & under-valued]
- Infrastructural decay due to social and economic decline
- Decentralization

(Donaldson, 2011)

Mono-functional & underutilized church spaces -

Limited interaction of church buildings with surrounding context -

Static infrastructure unable to adapt to programme changes -

Lack of contribution to public spaces in city -

Limited integration between church | housing provision | community facilities -

Lack of green space as part of church facilities -

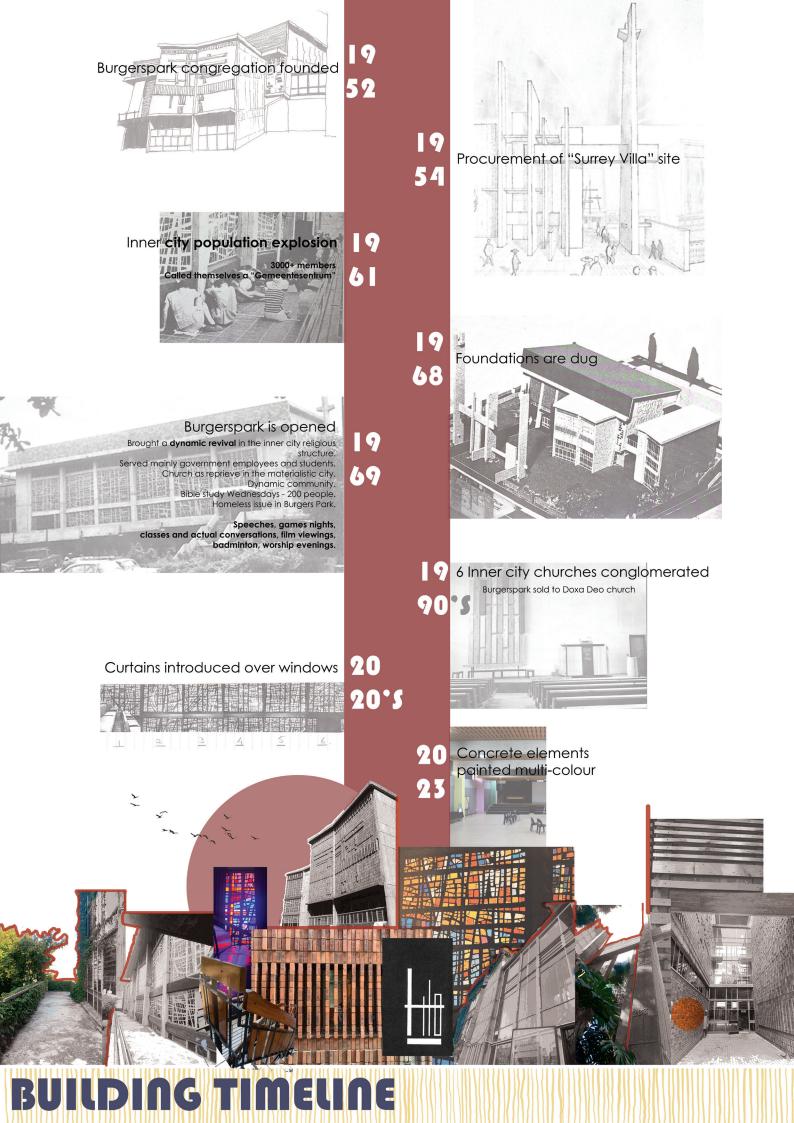
Church buildings as static objects in the landscape -

Lack of social involvement in church buildings -

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ODERNIST FABRIC INTRICATE BRICKWORK GRID FACADES

HERITAGE CONTEXT





HERITA	GE VALUE	. IVIZ VI I VIZV	ITE NAME: Dutch R		h Burgerspark				
	AGE/RARITY	HISTORICAL/ ARCHITECTURAL	ARTISTIC/ AESTHETIC	COMMEMORATIVE	USE/ECONOMIC	SOCIAL	NOSTALGIC	TECHNICAL	SPIRITUAL
SURROUNDIN GS	Surrounding CBD showcases signs of decay as well as new developments; layers of the ages.	Modernist character of area emphasizes importance of conservation of architectural styles.		Area stands as evidence of radical development of Pretoria under Nationalist rule in 1900's.	Area serves wide range of economic functions — institutional, educational, commercial.	Residential nature of area provides market for religious institutions and ensure constant inhabitation; street has value for homeless community as churches provide for them.	Nostalgic value for previous demographic group that resided in inner city.	Quality of construction and craftmanship evident in condition of modernist buildings.	City block houses many churches, serving the street, area and wider Pretoria.
SITE		Relation to neighbouring Burgers Park – Pretoria's first botanical garden.			Container office on site used as lettable space for additional income; site well located within CBD; open space available for reuse.	Although no dedicated space here for, site utilized as social space for students and employees of church.			Large concrete columns in cross form serve as portal into holy site.
STRUCTURE	Design was radical for Dutch reformed Church at the time.	Initial church brought dynamic revival in inner city religion, moving from stoic religious practices to more modern.	Asymmetrical nature of building creates sense of movement in solid structure.	Separate consistory wing speaks of past use as NG church; now used as classrooms.	Hall rentable for events; all areas still in use, although programmes somewhat changed.	Visible accessibility in large ramp running outside. Building reintegrated into context to compliment current community identity.	Evokes strong memories for previous congregation (including students, ministers, residents) of previous success of church.	Building placed back from busy Visagie Street with thick concrete wall to north to block out noise.	Doxa Deo church serves as spiritual reprieve for their congregation.
SPACE PLAN	Main church space unusually placed on second level above hall. Entrances to side – usually entrance placed opposite liturgical area.	Presbytery seating was located in wing of L-shaped plan, distinctly removed from congregation as was custom in early modernist churches.		Interior space plan speaks of organization of programmes in previous church – now adapted to resemble auditorium.	Interior space adapted to form auditorium space, with stage, moveable seating and instrumental space – ensuring use value in current Doxa Deo.	Plan adapted to form less rigid organization than previous NG church, accommodating for modern congregation.	Remnants of organ, pews, liturgical area, etc. invoke memories for previous congregation of NG church.	Detail and craftmanship of original design evident throughout, though compromised in certain areas.	Plan adapted to accommodate new form of spirituality now present in church (more praise and worship oriented).
SKIN	Rare intricate brickwork on facades; original skin elements painted over in some instances.	Thick concrete/masonry skin on northern façade for acoustic measures.	Dalle de verre windows spanning south wall serve as massive publicly accessible art.		Durable materiality ensures low maintenance.			Large, stereotomic skin softened by crafted brickwork and dalle de verre windows.	Contrast of solid/window skins create an intimate/ethereal space.
SERVICE					Ventilation and lighting through structure separated to simplify operation of each.			Timber lattice work over concrete structure intended to improve acoustics – marginally effective.	Ample diffused natural lighting through dalle de verre windows now obsolete due to heavy curtains and fluorescent lighting.
MATERIALTY	5 tons coloured glass imported from France Most floor finishes replaced. Wooden parquet flooring painted over; various concrete elements		Coloured windows create play of light on remaining leather pews.		Structure in concrete and masonry and timber lattice work throughout remains unchanged and in good condition.			Carefully crafted materiality now replaced with mass- produced products, increasing value of remaining materiality.	Materials adding to spirituality of space (windows & natural, honest materiality of furniture and floors) are being removed/changed.
	painted over; northern dalle de verre window painted over; carpets over original slate tiling. Layers of renovations evident.								
FURNISHING	New chairs, stage and technical equipment stand in contrast to original structure.							Unique, crafted casework (like pulpit and pews) removed, decreasing technical quality of interior. Timber panel work behind pulpit removed, decreasing acoustics.	
SYMBOLISM/ ORNAMENTATI ON	Original symbolic elements (in brass and concrete) now in background of new Doxa Deo banners and signage.		Leo Theron windows depict theme "From darkness to light," through representing 5 festive events of liturgical year.					Cross work in masonry, concrete and brass speaks to level of craft in original design.	Progression in lightness of windows towards front of space emphasized liturgical area; northern window (now painted over) bathed important area in light.
LIGHTING	New fluorescent lighting stands in contrast to original artistic windows:		Coloured windows serve greatest artistic value in building, both in church space		Current artificial lighting serves function of space as auditorium.			Dalle de verre windows one of Leo Theron's biggest church works, who	Ethereal feel of dalle de verre windows obstructed by paint, curtains, and

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

removed

original pendants

The church sits right opposite the historic Burgers Park. The building was designed by well-known church architect Daan Kesting. His design is a beautiful example of Pretoria Regionalism. The building structure remains intact, a testimony to the quality of construction, craftmanship and materiality. The massive dalle de verre works by Leo Theron is precious and the biggest of his 210 church works. However, the interior has seen many unsuccessful alterations. The building is of social significance as a precedent for post-apartheid demographic changes and the result thereof on the built environment. The building managed to shift from a conservative Afrikaans church to a modern church serving the black community, thus retaining its contextual significance.

fluorescent lighting.

pioneered method in South Africa.

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and consistory wing.

MAIN ISSUES

Heritage, not Use

HERITAGE DISCOURSE

Disconnect between expert & user value of modernist spaces



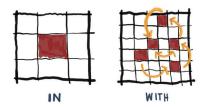
CONTEXTUAL

Pretoria CBD Heritage is surviving, not thriving



SOCIAL

Increasing secular society = church buildings isolated from large portion of society



SITE

Underutilized precinct Interior was gutted Unawareness & disregard for architectural value

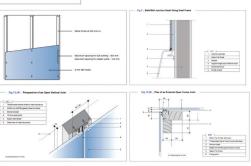


Detail 5 -Nutec wall system



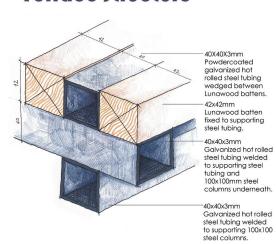
Exterior wall systems:

10mm Nutec Plain High Density Flat sheet construction as used in Prefabricated housing, fixed to steel framing with 35x5.5mm self tapping countersunk screws.



Note: Images otained from Nutec website (2023)

Detail 6 Terrace structure



Detail 8 Marley SolteQ PY Solar Roof Tile



Output capacity per tile	29,58 Wp (Watt Peak)
Output/m2	147,9 Wp (5 x Marley SolteQ Tiles)
Cell Material	Monocrystalline Silicon
Cell Size	156 x 156 (6 per tile)
Module Dimensions	420 x 580mm
Weight per PV Tile	approx. 4,125kg
Weight per m2	approx. 14kg
Effective cell angle range	3 to 90 degrees

Note: Issues surrounding south facing angle and shade - 10-12% efficiency will be last. However, due to higher efficiency of Marley Panels at lower light levels and still generating in shaded areas, makes it perfect solution for properties that do not offer ideal circumstances. If roof pitch is not ideal (26°) will only lose 1-1.3% of max solar output possible. To compensate for lower pitch, number of tiles can be increased.





Project question

How can interior architecture be used to expand the meaning of modernist churches by interpreting an adaptive reuse strategy to create an inclusive, community building environment that stimulates inner city revival?

Contextual question

How can the reintroduction of the Burgerspark church to its current context create a communal space promoting collective identity, thus increasing the value of the built fabric in the inner city?

Theory question

How can the theory of adaptive reuse in historical buildings be interpreted in tangible elements to expand the intangible meanings to relate to current

Design question

How can theories of adaptive reuse be implemented in tangible design elements to support a new narrative and meaning and any future narratives that might arise, ensuring longevity and resilience of the historic building in the changing city?



Remove disconnect between modernist architecture and its inhabitants, through reintroducing style as heritage worth preserving

Determine the inherent intangible values of modernist interiors and methods for preserving these in contemporary interior architecture

Produce a spatial model that creates meaningful and resilient urban spaces in the Pretoria CBD

Create an adaptable, humane interior within a harsh modernist environment

Create a precedent mixed-use church typology for inner city renewal and commmunity

Develop an adaptive reuse strategy for the DRC Burgerspark to ensure continuous use, through addressing new issues in a dated structure

The Urban Church can reside in its context in three ways:



IN THE CITY:
Modernist Afrikaner churches are
currently in the city - unrelated to
their urban fabric and community

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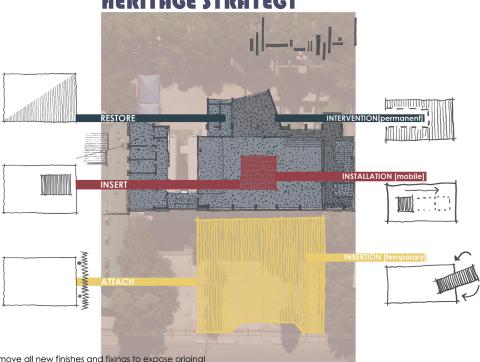


Providing solutions to issues in the city, but not addressing the causes



WITH THE CITY: Considering urban issues in conjunction to the contributions of the community

HERITAGE STRATEGY



RESTORATION STRATEGY Remove all new finishes and fixings to expose original



MS & OBJECTIVES

- Wel/h, 2011

HISTORY

How we understand the past (Swart, 2022)

HERITAGE

Resultant inheritance from history - do we attach value to it or not?

CONSERVATION

About managing change Alteration NOT restoration

Conservation | | Restoration

ALTERATION

Mediation between preservation & demolition
Buildings are constantly changing physically, technically, programmatically, culturally - Alteration becomes main task of architecture.

MODERNIST CONSERVATION ISSUES "Protecting the not yet loved"

- Lack of understanding & recognition
- Absence of determined methodological approach
- Issues with repair vs replacements
- Shortcomings in sustainability & adaptability
- Lack of public participation

(Macdonald (2013:5)

IST ORDER & 2ND ORDER MEANING

How people use space (purpose)

Matter

Tangible: physical built structures
Whichever physical method most

(Konigk, 2015)

suited

Associations and connotations Meaning Intangible: socio-cultural, historical, economic values Constantly changing values of context

INTANGIBLE HERITAGE

Forms the social arm of conservation - it emphasizes the importance of immaterial, dynamic elements of conservation like people, values, and crafts (Meurs, 2016)



Shading & Water points



Structure gradually lowers from the existing building



Direct entrance to the church



Community garden that produces for events catering



Communal gathering space



Library & work spaces

20D ORDER

IST ORDER

Street becomes an extension of the church - the church has no walls to the exterior street

The modernist monster is brought down to the street, introducing the site at a human scale

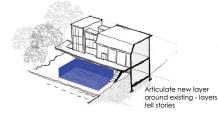
Strong sense of rythm towards the holy space as a nod to classic church colonnades Sense of agency to scholars and skills development An extension of the church that is open to the public and promotes community gatherings

Space becomes an extension of the home in the dense inner

ADAPTIVE REUSE STRATEGIES

Start at existing object to arrive at mode of existence in keeping with that object (Clarke, 2019)

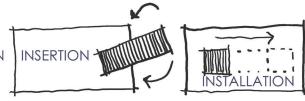
Sharr's 2 tactics of conspicuously dealing with past:





Brooker & Stone's (2014) design principles for remodelling existing buildings:





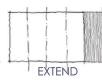
Swart's (2022) heritage proximities:

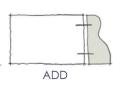


RESTORE/REPAIR INSERT

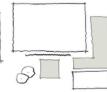










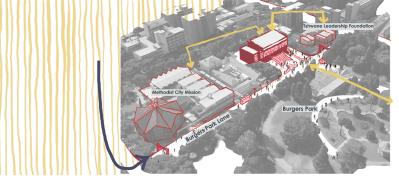


INFILL DEVELOPMENTS

HERITAGE DOCUMENTATION

Documents informing the analysis process

NHRA | The Burra Charter (2013) | PRAH-G Assessments | Plekke en Geboue (Le Roux, 1990) | Heritage Value Matrix (Clarke & Kuijpers, 2017) | Beginsels van Gereformeerde Kerkbou (Koorts, 1974) | Afrikaans Protestanse Kerkbou (Kesting, 1978)



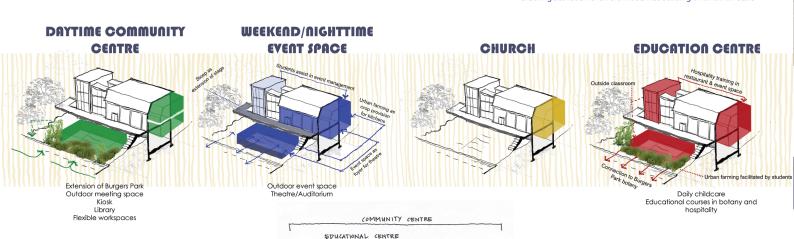
CONTEXTUAL VALUE

The Burgerspark site is to become an activation node on the quiet Burgers Park Lane, attracting external interest.

As connector between the Methodist City Mission and the TLF, the religious insitutions will serve the street in front.

Burgerspark will serve as an active community centre, as an extension of the home for the surrounding community.

PROPOSED PROGRAMME A mixed-use precinct as a vessel for community building in Pretoria Central, ensuring activation of an old Modernist building on a human scale



USERS

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PARK/STREET DWELLER



Burgers Park / street dweller passing by. Dynamic, nomadic movements. Need green space, shading, water, seating.

TLF / MOTHER



Church/NGO worker working within the street and area with the need for congregation, workshop and event spaces

NEARBY RESIDENT/STUDENT

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M



Adult / Teen Inner city dweller with need for green space and an extension of apartment. Source of knowledge, internet and workspace needed

TEACHER/STUDENT

CHURCH EVENT SPACE



Adult / Child/Teen A practice-oriented education beyond conventional syllabus in the inner city. Working within a holistic environment, with broader site operations

CHURCH GOER

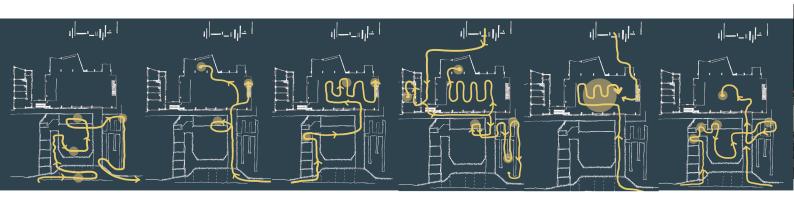


Searching for a spiritual reprieve in the city bustle, a sense of belonging and a platform for community engagement

EVENT VISITOR



Exterior visitor (outside Pretoria Central) travelling to cultural event / restaurant Would otherwise not have visited CBD Possible external investors



PROGRAMMES & USERS

OI. LIBRARY, MUSEUM & COMMUNITY CENTER 'DE PETRUS'

LOCATION: Vught, Netherlands ARCHITECT: Molenaar, Bol & van Dillen YEAR: 2018

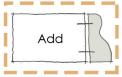
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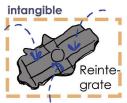


A1884 church was renovated to accommodate a library, museum, bar and shops. Large open space open to public. New mezzanine floor extends outside to form roof restaurant. bookshelves allow floor space for large events.

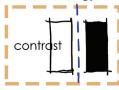


heritage strategy





material strategy



02. PATRIMONIUM SCHOOL

LOCATION: Amsterdam, Netherlands ARCHITECT: C. De geus YEAR: 2010

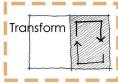
MATERIALITY PRECEDENT



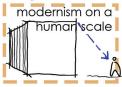
A school for Lower Technical Studies, modelled after Le Corbusier's Unite de Habitation, The vacant building was threatened with demolition. It was restored to its original state, still functioning as a school. Restored to original state by removing new finishes to expose materials.

Art Texture Colour

heritage strategy



intangible



material strategy



03. 012 CENTRAL

LOCATION: Pretoria CBD ARCHITECT: dhk Architects YEAR: 2014

PROGRAMMATIC PRECEDENT



The 012 precinct is one of the last remainders of industrial heritage in the CBD. The mixed-use events space can host conferences, shows, markets, etc. Part of wider inner city revival scheme. Catalyst for new activity.

Very light renovation touch.

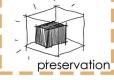
Greeneru Public Art Sense of scale

heritage strategy



intangible

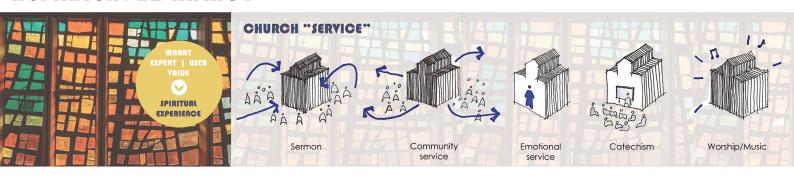




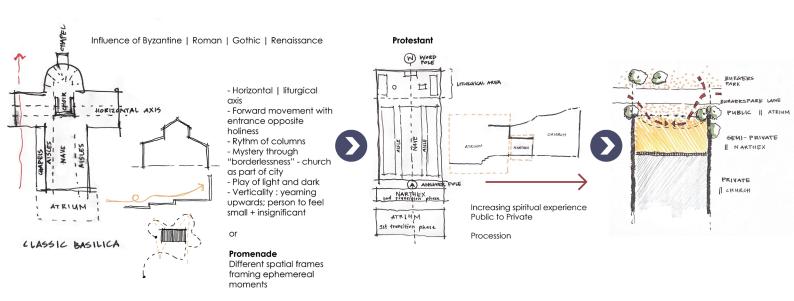
The derign will empharize the universal language experienced and valued by all in modernist church derigns - the spiritual experience. This will manifert ar a journey through variour tangible and intangible thresholds, similar to those present in church layouts. The architecture of light in churches will also be drawn from to enhance the spiritual essence of the spaces.



PIRITUAL EXPERIENCE



A SERIES OF THRESHOLDS



THE ARCHITECTURE OF LIGHT



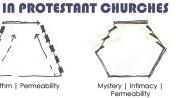


Atmospheric



Luminescence



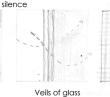






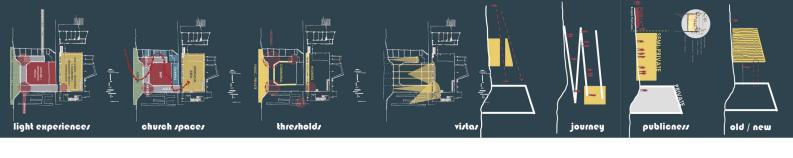
Evanescence

























































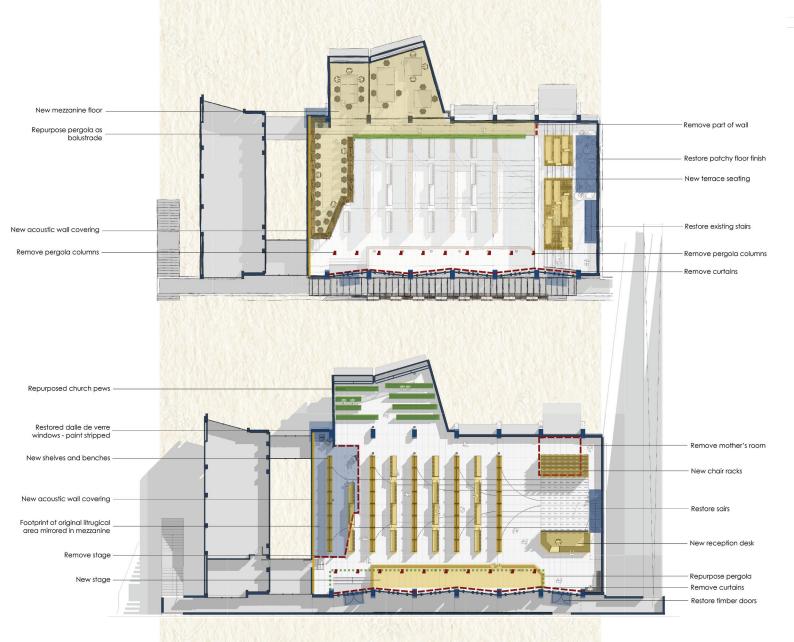












RESTORED



FLOOR FINISHES RECEPTION DESK FURNITURE ACOUSTIC WALL STEEL POWDERCOATING MEZZANINE FLOOR



STAIRS FLOOR FINISHES GALLERY SLAB LITURGICAL AREA FOOTPRINT DOORS PAINTED NORTH WINDOW





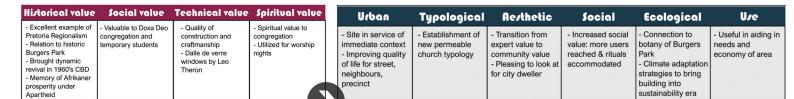


PEWS PERGOLA

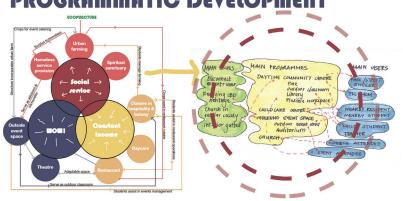
CURTAINS STAGE SPOTUGHTS MOTHER'S ROOM
PERGOLA COLUMNS PAINT OVER CONCRETE



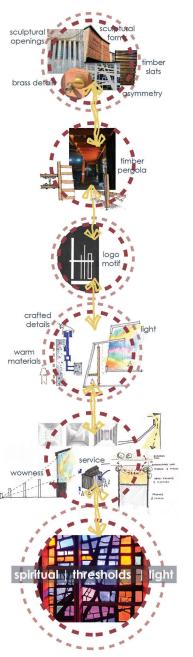


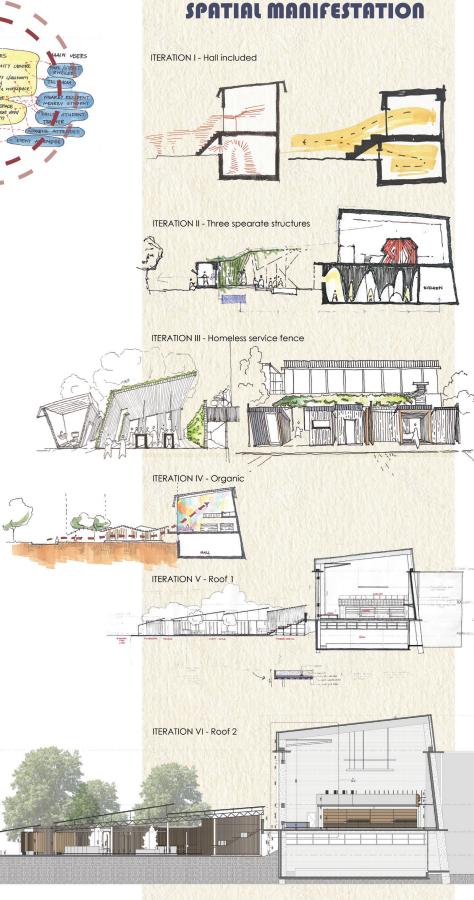


PROGRAMMATIC DEVELOPMEN

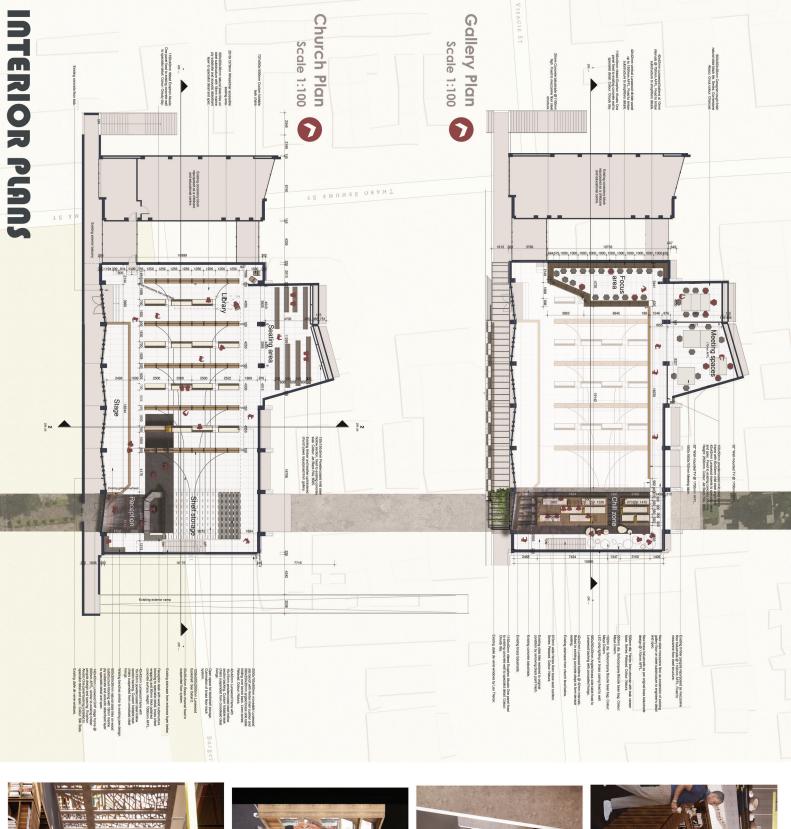


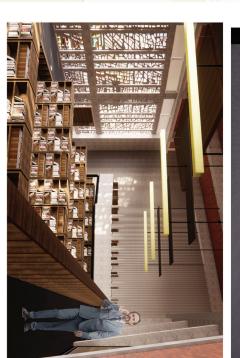
INFORMANT SELECTION

















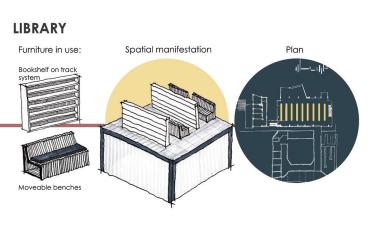


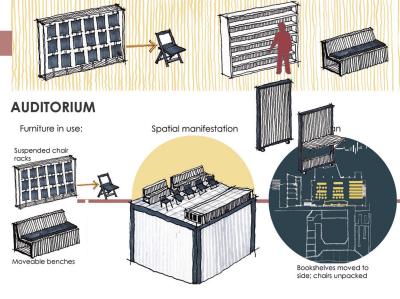




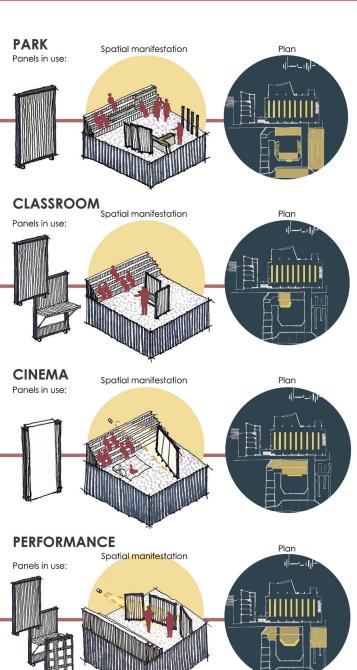


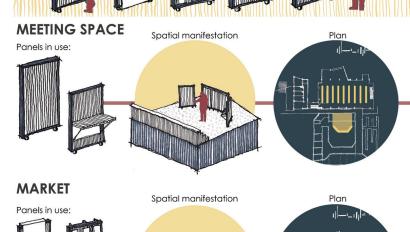
CHURCH/AUDITORIUM

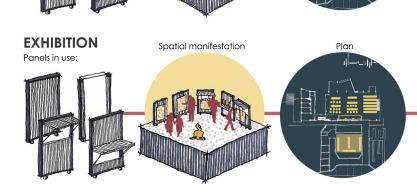




EXTERIOR SPACE







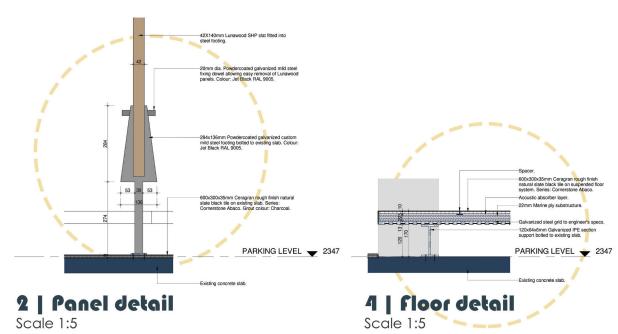




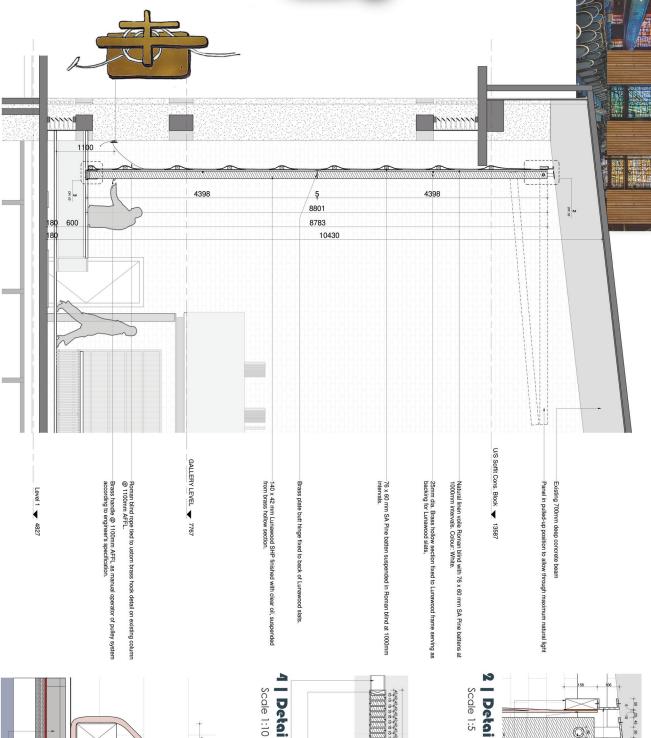
5 | Polycarbonate fixing

3 | Roof Jetail Scale 1:10



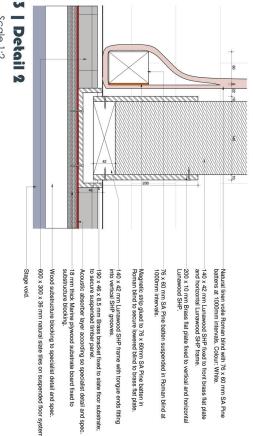


DETAIL 4 - EXTERIOR STRUCTURE



2 | Detail I O. 140 x 42 mm Lunawood SHP suspended from brass hollow section. 152 x 50 mm SA Pine batten fixed to steel angle Natural linen voile screwed to pine batten and secured with velcro strip. Colour: White. 4000mm intervals according to engineer's instructions. Rotation spill for timber slats. 50 mm dia. Brass round hollow section fixed to walls at ends and to overhead concrete beams at -100 x 50 x 85mm Powdercoated steel angle fixed to existing concrete beam according to engineer's instructions. Colour: Jet Black RAL 9005. -140 x 8.5 mm Powdercoated steel plate fixed to existing concrete beams. Velcro strip glued to pine batten.

4 | Detail 3 - Plan -190 x 46 x 8.5 mm Brass bracket fixed to slate floor substrate; to secure suspended timber panel. –142 x 42 mm Lunawood SHP frame with grooves. —140 x 42 mm Lunawood SHP fixed to front brass flat plate and horizontal Lunawood SHP frame. -140 x 42 mm Lunawood SHP fixed to back brass flat plate.

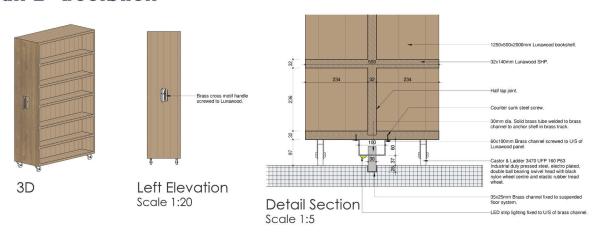


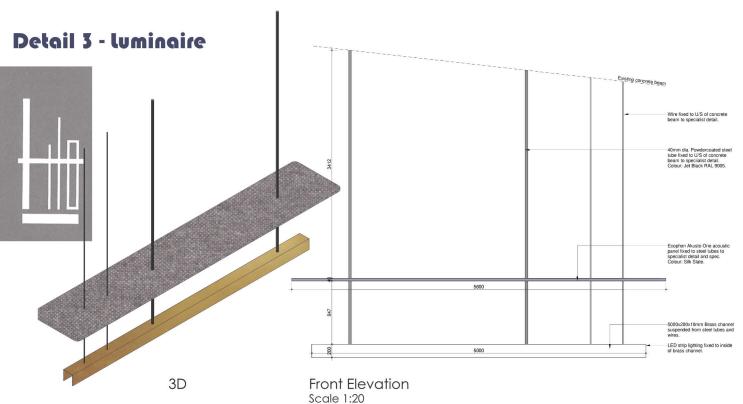
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DETAIL 7 - TIMBER PANEL

I | Surpended panel rcreen detail

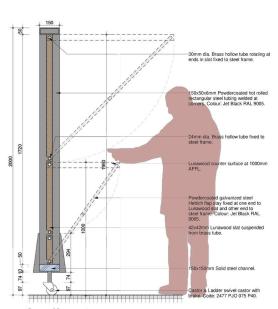
Detail 2 - Bookshelf



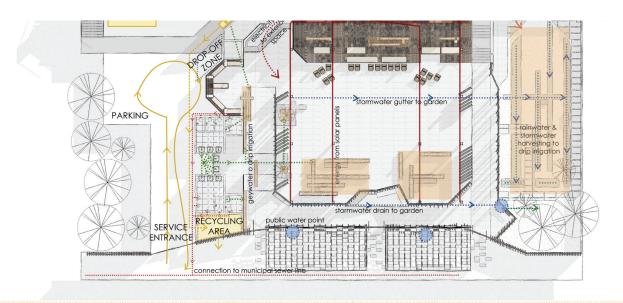


Detail I - Adaptable panel





Section A Scale 1:10



WASTE GREYWATER

FRESH WATER

ENERGY

PRODUCE

ACOUSTIC STRATEGY



Acoustic wall panelling

Acoustic panelling in stage wall Acoustic panelling in terrace backing Soft furnishings Induction loop Adaptable panels with acoustic panels Speaker plug point

Existing speakers

Acoustic panel in luminaire

Acoustic panels
Reflector panel

SHADING & VENTILATION



ABLUTIONS

SANS 10400 CLASSIFICATION: A1: Entertainment & Public assembly +- 500 population

Public: Male: 1 wc 1 whb 1 urinal Female: 2 wc Personnel: Male: 1 wc 1 whb 1 urinal

Female: 2 wc 1 whb

CIRCULATION



SERVICE CIRCULATION



EVENT CIRCULATION



EMERGENCY EXITS

UGHTING



SPAZIO LONE PAR 30 BEKA ILUMUp4 FLOOR LAMP

A ILUMUP4
OR LAMP

SPAZIO LONE PAR
SPOTLIGHT

BEKA CITRINE LANDSCAPE LIGHT

SERVICES INTEGRATION



