RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE - HOUSES (ALTERATIONS & ADDITIONS)
ARCHITECTURE AWARD

Double Life House
Christopher Polly Architect

The house presents a non-standard response for a standard building type. The architecture embraces the tiered spotted gum’s platform, providing a rhythm of individual spaces with specific spatial Neil activities. The two living spaces have been tailored to the specific client brief, all offering moments of connection and privacy.

The exterior of the house is a complex, layered design, which gives rise to the beautifully textured spaces that lie within. This adds to the sense of drama from the world outside, with the house itself offering a strong presence through its sculptural form.

The interior of the house is a series of deeply layered spaces that flow seamlessly into one another, creating a fluid and engaging environment.

Unfurled House
Christopher Polly Architect

The expansion of this single storey house creates a series of generous spaces and light within a modern, two-storey addition. The design approach is to create the house’s features to open up the interior spaces and develop a deeper sense of connection to the surrounding landscape.

The addition, partially separated from the original building, is a compact sequence of spaces that unfold in three dimensions, improving connections within the existing house while maintaining its simplicity.

The interior is focused on a central light well with a narrow stairway that creates a series of different spaces.

Throughout the house, a sense of movement is created as light andWarf time is continuously revealed, creating a dynamic interplay of light and shadow within the interior spaces.