

## MANSION ALTERATION AMSTERDAM

<b>title</b>	House alteration in Amsterdam, the Netherlands
<b>client</b>	Particulier
<b>projectteam</b>	Marnix van der Meer, Steven Nobel, Bo Winnubst
<b>building contractor</b>	GF Deko
<b>program</b>	Making a connection between several floors
<b>period</b>	2009

Unfortunately the stately houses in the district Oud-Zuid in Amsterdam are more and more transformed into office spaces. For this reason it's very special that this house, at number 23 was transformed back from office to its original living function.

The mansion is carefully renovated and a series of spatial interferences are made. A unique family house of 500m<sup>2</sup> arose. Because communication and sight are such significant elements to make a family house function, the client requested to "connect" different living functions but are not in each other's sight directly. This resulted in the most important adjustment in this house; a void over 3 stories.

The original conservatory and the back façade is broken down to create more space for the void over three floors. In this way the basement, the ground floor and first floor are connected and day light can enter deep into the mansion.

The new façade on this back side is made of large glass plates on which a pattern is sandblasted that shows similarity with the original fenestration; a modern façade with a clear reference to the history.

Over the different layers a new sculptural element is realized, that accommodates different functions: a home cinema and music rehearsal, a lounge corner, staircases, cupboards and a fireplace. Behind the classical front façade of the mansion lies a very special spatial experience...





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