Castor Delgado RESIDENCE (1959) Luciana de Brito ART GALLERY (2016)



Name of the site: Castor Delgado Residence Location: 5162, Nove de Julho Avenue Brazil / São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Original architect: Rino Levi

Restoration architect: José Armênio de Brito Cruz /

Piratininga Arquitetos Associados Plot area: 971 m²

Built area: 578 m²

The project aimed to settle an art gallery of into a residential property of significant importance for the architectural history of São Paulo and Brazil. The change of use, due to another urban context is a unique opportunity for the preservation and conservation of the protected building and its delightful patios; the location is nowadays a high traffic avenue and as an art gallery, it fosters the "open-house" spirit, receiving visitors to the contemporary art exhibitions and events.

The project provides for three significant steps to reach the objective:

- the conservation and restoration of the protected property
- punctual interventions inside the main building (the house itself)
- the necessary remodelling of the annex building (built in 1988 and not protected) at the back of the plot, due to its fake simulation or mimesis.

The intense research through the original drawings and local prospection fed the proposed design developed with expertise for the building techniques, colours, finishing and coatings. Those punctual interventions were cared with precise criteria following the guidelines and rules of national and international institutions.

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