

ARTS CENTRE DESIGN BRIEF

FOR
MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT
617 - 621 PACIFIC HIGHWAY
ST. LEONARDS

PLANNING PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

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Blue Mountains Cultural Centre



THE VISION

1.1 Introduction

A Community Arts Centre is identified in the St Leonards / Crows Nest Planning Study as one of the major potential public benefit facilities that could be incorporated into future development projects. The Arts Centre will support various spaces for:

- art & photography studios
- · dance rehearsal space
- theatre rehearsal space
- music studios
- workshop space
- gallery/exhibition space

Strong patronage of the arts by Council and the private sector, working in partnership, will strengthen St Leonards' image as a highly desirable place to live, work and play.

The Arts Centre would best be located on the first and second floors within the podium of a 'tall tower' near the station with a presence and direct access from ground level and be clearly visible from the street via glazing and signage.

Precedents

- Sydney Creative Hub (Greenland Centre) 2000m²
- City of Sydney Creative Spaces program
- Blue Mountains Cultural Centre 4000m²
- Former Collingwood Technical School Project 5000m²
- Mildura Arts Centre 4000m²
- Caboolture Arts Hub 5000m²

1.2 Design Goals

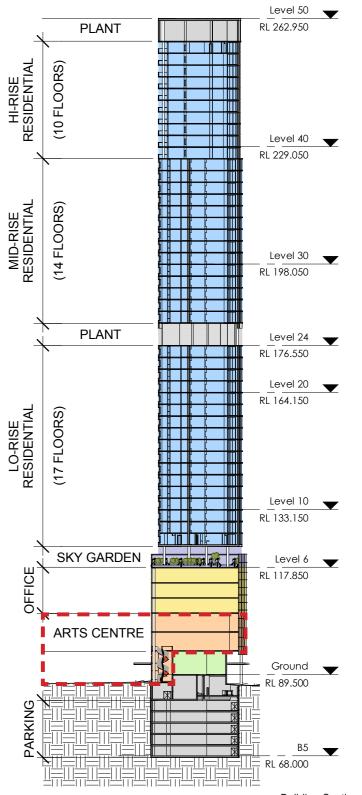
The key design goal for the Arts Centre is to create an engaging Community facility that:

- capitalizes on the synergy of consolidating arts operations and programs under one roof
- captures the vitality of the St Leonards/Crows Nest community,
- is warm, welcoming and accessible,
- has a high degree of visibility,
- supports diverse events including celebratory & day-to-day activities,
- · provides much needed cultural facilities for people of all ages,
- has a dramatic architectural/artistic expression,
- creates a unique and engaging place which can become the heart of the community.













THE SITE

1.3 Site Description

617-621 Pacific Highway, St Leonards is a 1067 m² site that is located on a prominent corner in the urban block bounded by Atchison Street to the north, Pacific Highway to the south, Mitchell Street to the east and Christie St to the west.

The site has 3 street frontages to the Pacific Highway, Christie Street and Atchison Street, and to the east is the 16 storey IBM building.

The site is located within 100m of St Leonards station, within the 'centre' of the St Leonards precinct and is identified as a site for a 'tall' building under North Sydney Councils' development controls.

The proposed Community Arts Centre would be located on level 1 and 2 of the development with a dedicated entrance foyer on Atchison Street.

1.4 General Requirements

Provide building services, finishes, fixtures and fittings that are appropriate to the function of each space.

Lift Provision

The Community Arts Centre shall be served by two 25person / 2000kg capacity lifts with 1300 wide door openings.

Power / Data Provision

Provide skirting mounted, re-locatable power and data outlets to all spaces with table mounted outlets in meeting rooms.

Provide CCTV coverage for all spaces.

Provide data / server room (secure with good ventilation away from noise sensitive areas).

617-621 PACIFIC HIGHWAY ST LEONARDS







Entry / Exhibition / Meeting

Entry Lobby (Ground Level):

40m²

General Description:

Space for entry and display of artworks.

Clearly organized, highly visible to the street, exciting space. Stair to gallery space above with glazed door between top of stairs and gallery space.

Finishes:

Polished concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls, void to gallery space above

Painted steel feature stair

Double doors to connect loading dock and lift lobby

Artwork hanging system

Services:

Feature / exhibition lighting system

Electronic information / directional display system

Relationship Adjacencies:

Street, lifts, gallery space (via stair).

Reception (Level 1):

10m²

General Description:

A welcome desk to provide first point of contact for Arts

Centre visitors

Information point for all elements of the Arts Centre

Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Polished concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard

Painted concrete soffit/ ceiling, timber veneer joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting

Relationship Adjacencies:

Entry stair, lift lobby and gallery space

Art Gallery/Exhibition Space (Level 1):

300m²

15m²

General Description:

This space is intended to provide gallery/exhibition space for community based arts and/or sponsored temporary

Flexible/moveable exhibition wall system to be included To have access to views and daylight (blackout blinds to be

Provision for interactive and digital media to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Security barrier at top of spiral stair
Glazed separation of gallery space from general lift and stair circulation and break out area for after-hours security (but allowing after-hours access to studio spaces). Include wide entry to allow for larger works.

Finishes:

Polished concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard

internal walls

Hanging system (ceiling and walls) Track light system

Laminate finish joinery

Painted concrete soffit/ceiling

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting

Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit exhibition function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Reception, lift lobby, amenities, breakout/lounge

Gallery/Exhibition Office (Level 1):

General Description:

Office for Arts Centre manager

Desk, chairs and storage cupboards to be included

Ceiling height approx. 3.0m

Carpet floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls and suspended plasterboard ceiling

Services:

Recessed services fixtures

Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit office function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Lift lobby, gallery/exhibition space, breakout/lounge





Caboolture Arts Centre



2.5 Breakout/Lounge Space x 2 (Levels 1&2):

25m²

40 - 50m²

General Description:

This space is intended to serve as a breakout space for Arts Centre staff, it would also be utilised as a pre-function space for visitors prior to entering the gallery/exhibition or theatre/dance rehearsal spaces.

It will include a kitchenette, storage, table and seats Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, plasterboard internal walls, Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting

Relationship Adjacencies:

Art gallery/exhibition space, theatre/dance rehearsal, reception, lift lobby and amenities

2.6 Meeting Rooms x 2 (Levels 1&2):

General Description:

Two meeting rooms (14 and 20 person capacity) with AV capacity for use by community, Council and Arts Centre for booked meetings

Bench space and storage cupboards to be included Tables and chairs to be included Ceiling height approx. 3.0m

Finishes:

Carpet floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls and suspended plasterboard ceiling

Services:

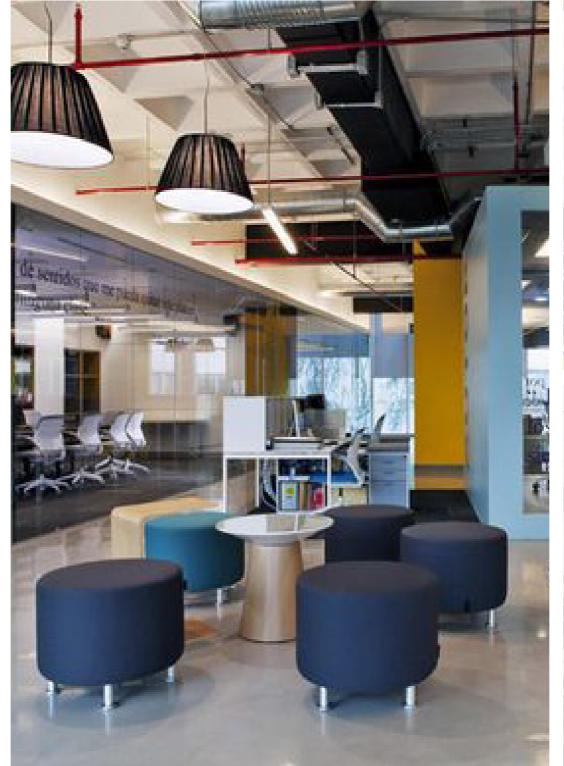
Recessed services fixtures

Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit meeting function

Table mounted power / data outlets

Relationship Adjacencies:

Lift lobby, gallery/exhibition space, breakout/lounge













3.0 Rehearsal Spaces

3.1 Performance Rehearsal Space (Level 2): 200m²

General Description:

Multi-purpose room to host a variety of activities including:

- Dance/Theatre Rehearsals
- Lectures and audio visual presentations
- Education Programs
- Rentals for special occasions

Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Stepped timber platform seating area to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes

Timber floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Acoustic treatment in walls & ceiling

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework, track lighting Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit rehearsal function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Lift Lobby, workshop space, amenities, storage

3.2 Performance Rehearsal Storage (Level 2): 15m²

General Description:

Storage for studio activities, supporting education programs. Storage for tables, chairs and props for rehearsals/events.

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls

Painted concrete soffit/ceiling

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework

Relationship Adjacencies:

Theatre/dance rehearsal space, breakout /lounge, amenities













Studio Spaces

Single Artist Studio (Level 1):

25m²

175m²

General Description:

200m²

100m²

General Description:

Work space for single artist with good daylight access Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard

Painted concrete soffit/ceiling, Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework Good ventilation required Plaster traps to sinks

Relationship Adjacencies:

Shared artist studio, amenities, breakout/lounge

Work space for photography

Good daylight access with provision for blackout blinds Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Small lockable storage area and screening room (which can be darkened if necessary)

Photography / New Media Studio (Level 2):

Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls

Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework Good ventilation required

Relationship Adjacencies:

Artist studios, amenities, breakout/lounge

Shared Artist Studio (Level 1):

General Description:

Shared work space for up to 8 artists with good daylight

Bench space, sink and storage cupboards to be included Small, secure storeroom to be included

Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls

Painted concrete soffit/ceiling Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework Good ventilation required Plaster traps to sinks

Relationship Adjacencies:

Single artist studio, amenities, breakout/lounge

Music Rehearsal Studio (Level 2):

General Description:

Rehearsal space for up to 20 musicians with good daylight

Storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Timber floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls Suspended, acoustic plasterboard ceiling

Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Recessed services fixtures

Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit music

rehearsal function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Music recording studio, amenities, breakout/lounge





Music Rehearsal Studio



50m²

DETAILED SPACE PROGRAM

4.5 Music Recording Studio (Level 2):

General Description:

Recording space for music
Control booth to be included
Storage cupboards to be included
Ceiling height approx. 3.5m

Finishes:

Timber floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls with acoustic lining
Suspended, acoustic plasterboard ceiling
Laminate finish joinery

Services:

Recessed services fixtures Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit recording function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Music rehearsal studio, amenities, breakout/lounge









Caboolture Arts Hub



5.0 Support Spaces

5.1 Workshop Space (Level 2):

300m²

General Description:

The workshop space will primarily include the following functions:

- Set/prop construction
- The preparation area for any exhibits or events
- Screening and registration/processing area of incoming materials/artworks
- Staff work area for detailed restoration work on collection and exhibition materials

The workshop will include floor space for prepping objects, clean work area with a large prep table and a wet area with sink and bench space

Built in lockable storage cupboards for supplies, equipment, etc to be included

Ceiling height approx. 4.5m Double doors opposite lift

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, painted fibre cement internal walls
Painted concrete soffit/ceiling,

Clear finished plywood joinery

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework

3 phase power with earth leakage protection required Good ventilation/fume extraction system required Eye Wash Station and First Aid Station required Plaster trap to sinks

Acoustic treatment of walls & ceiling

Relationship Adjacencies:

Lift lobby, theatre rehearsal space, exhibition space

5.2 Amenities x 2 (Levels 1&2): 30m²

General Description:

Male, female and unisex accessible facilities including wc, urinal, hand basin, hand dryer, etc to be centrally located on each floor for use by staff and visitors.

Ceiling height approx. 2.4m

Finishes:

Vitrified tile floor and walls, with painted plasterboard ceiling

Services:

Building services/lighting to suit amenities function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Breakout/lounge, meeting room, lift lobby

5.3 Workshop Office (Level 2):

15m²

General Description:

Office for workshop staff

Desk, chairs and storage cupboards to be included Ceiling height approx. 3.0m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, glazed external walls, plasterboard internal walls and suspended plasterboard ceiling

Services:

Recessed services fixtures

Acoustics and building services/lighting to suit office function

Relationship Adjacencies:

Workshop space

5.4 Workshop Holding/Storage Space (Lower Ground): 90m²

General Description:

Secure holding area for crated artworks and workshop supplies

Located on lower ground floor level (below loading dock) Ceiling height approx. 4.5m

Finishes:

Sealed concrete floor, painted concrete/blockwork internal walls

Painted concrete soffit/ceiling

Services:

Exposed ductwork/pipework

Relationship Adjacencies:

Lift lobby, loading dock and workshop space (via lifts)

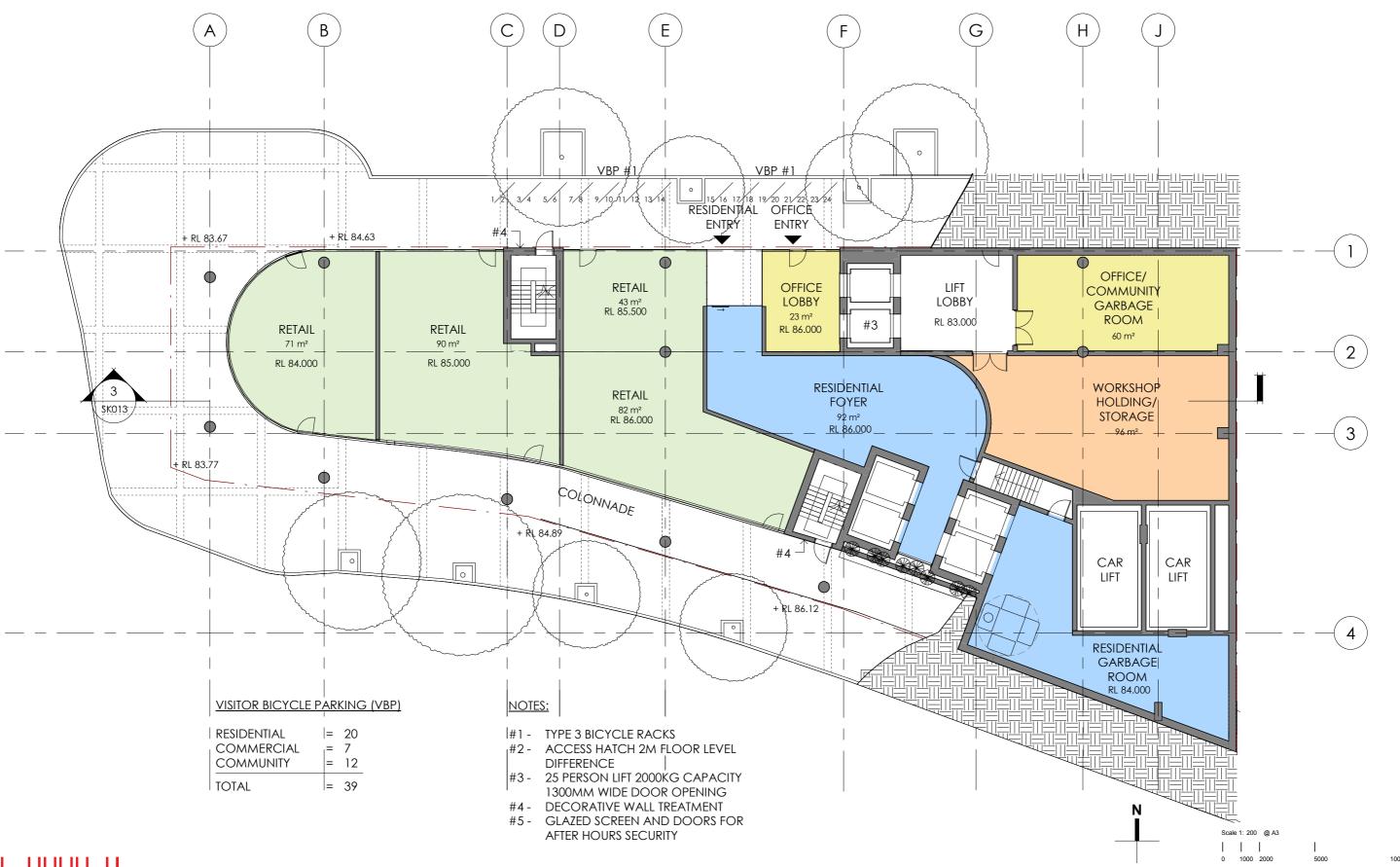




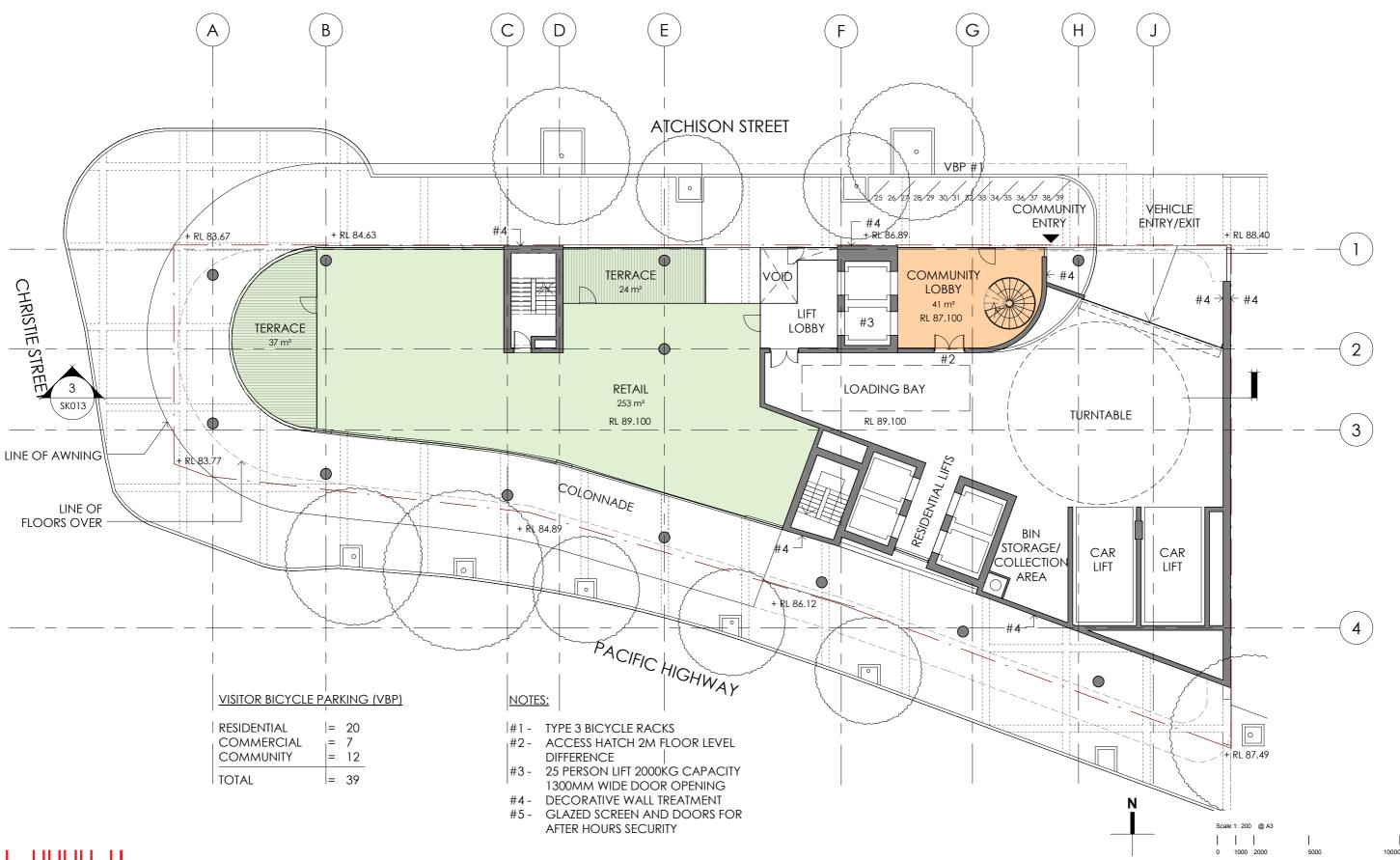




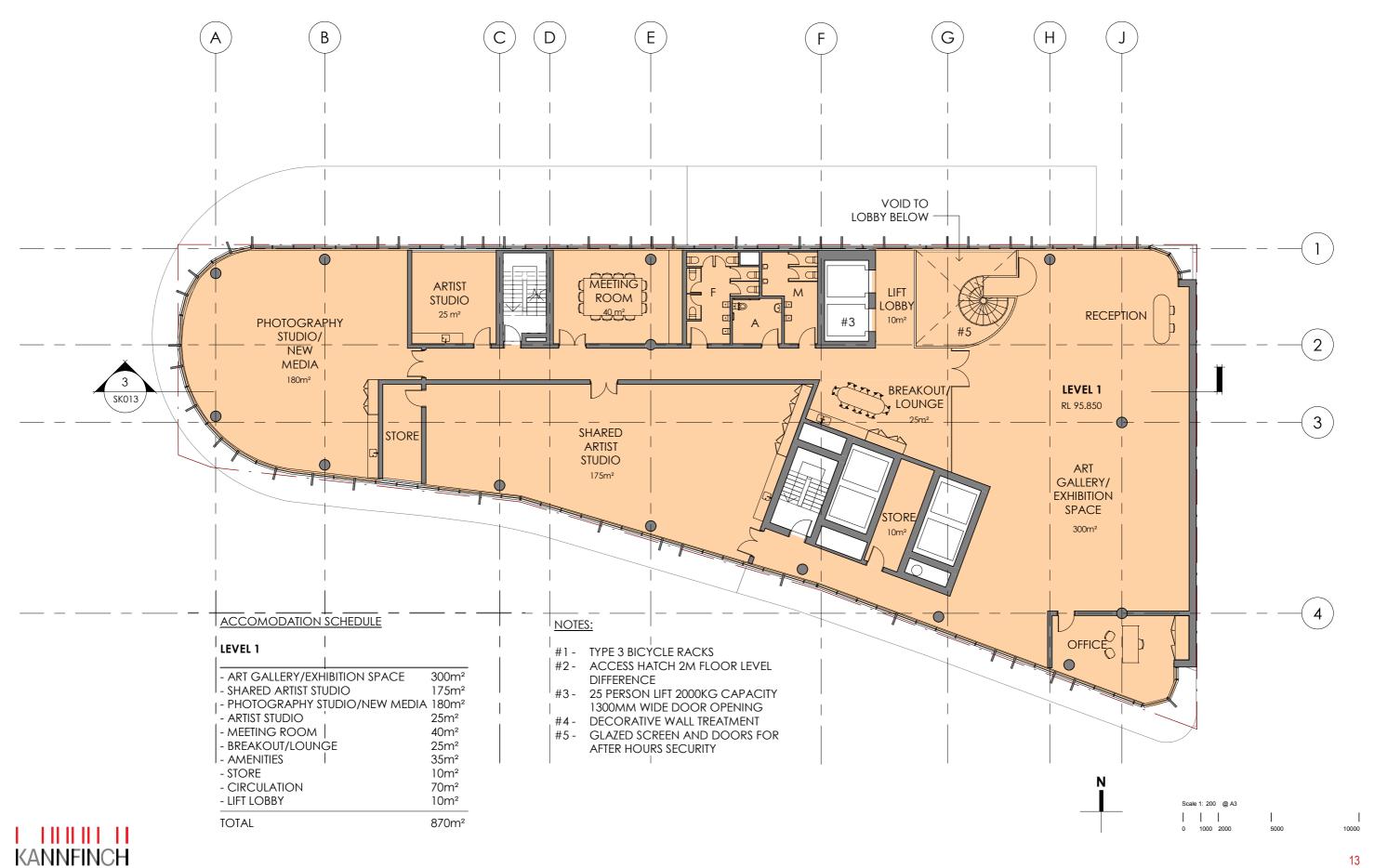
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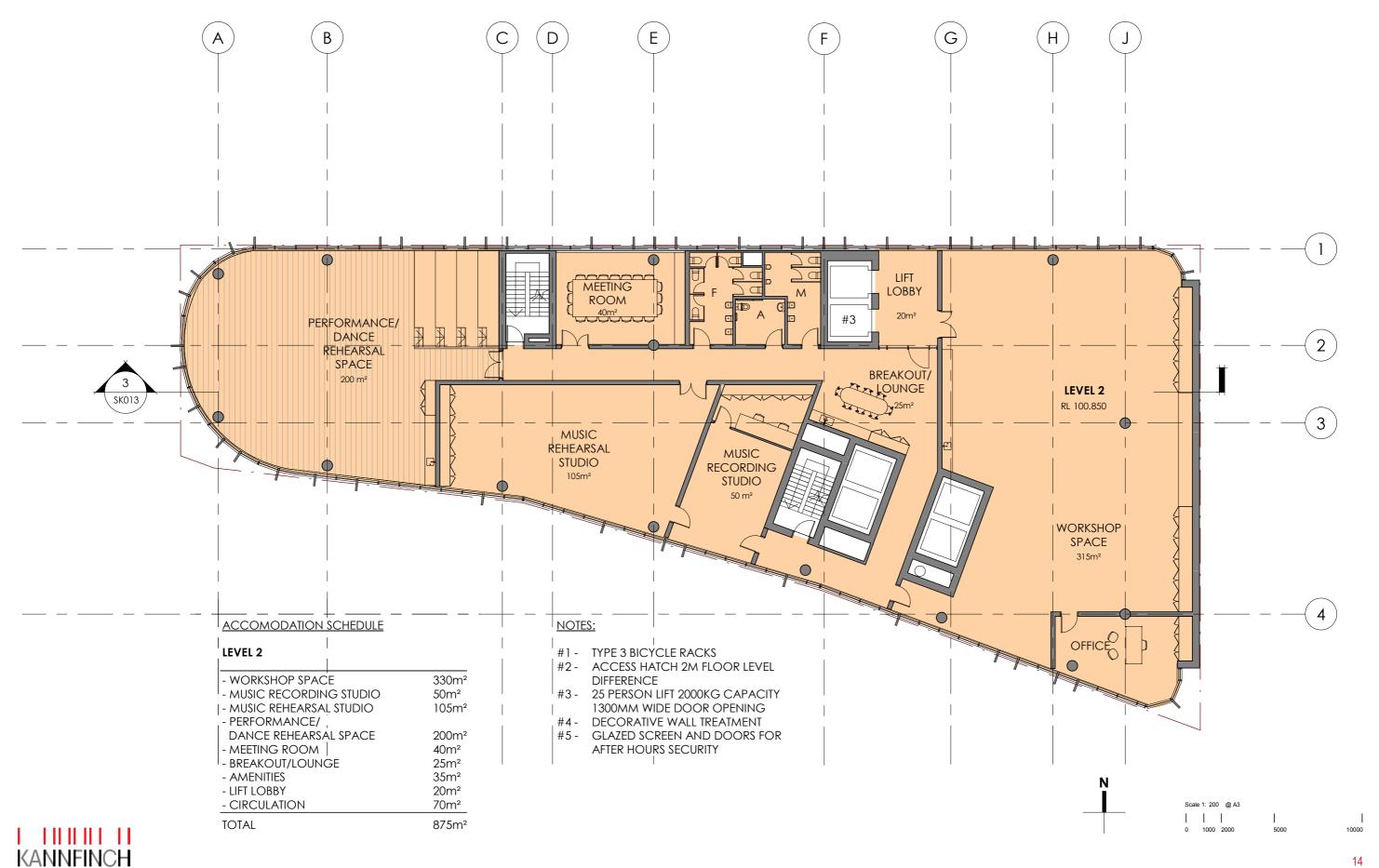
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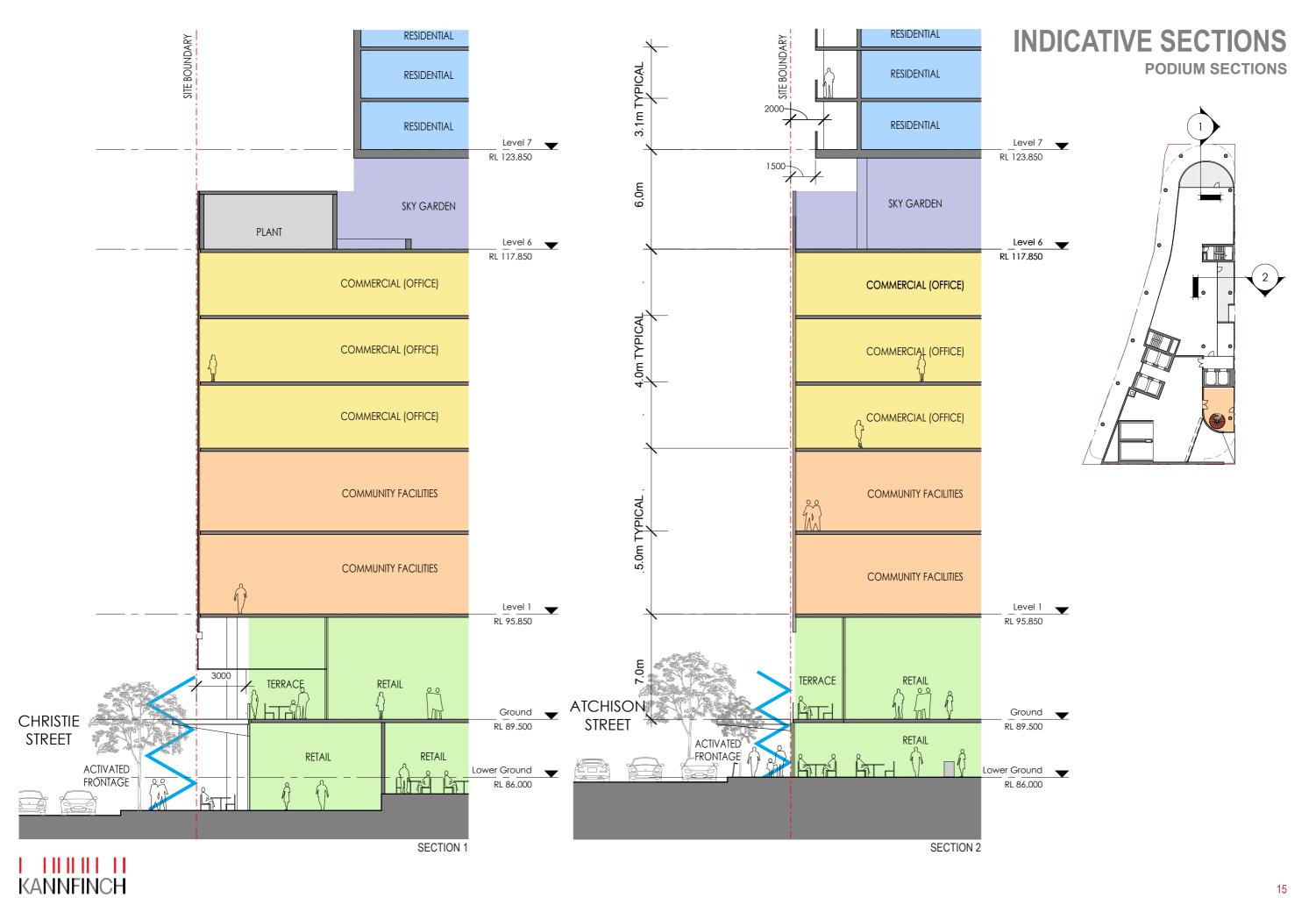


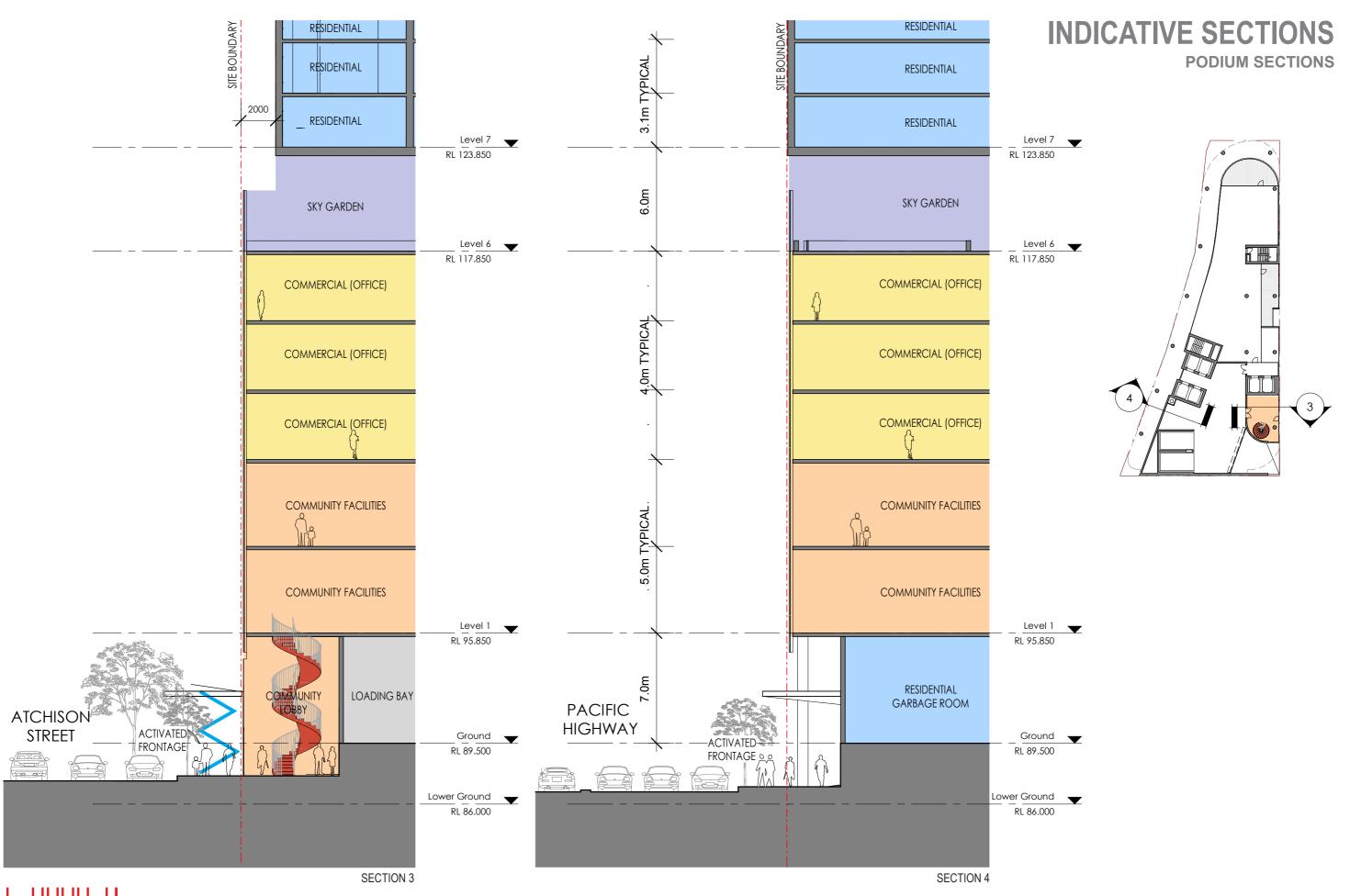
COMMUNITY FACILITIES FLOOR (LEVEL 1)



COMMUNITY FACILITIES FLOOR (LEVEL 2)







INDICATIVE 3D PERSPECTIVES

STREET LEVEL PERSPECTIVES



ATCHISON STREET LOOKING SOUTH EAST



ATCHISON STREET LOOKING SOUTH WEST

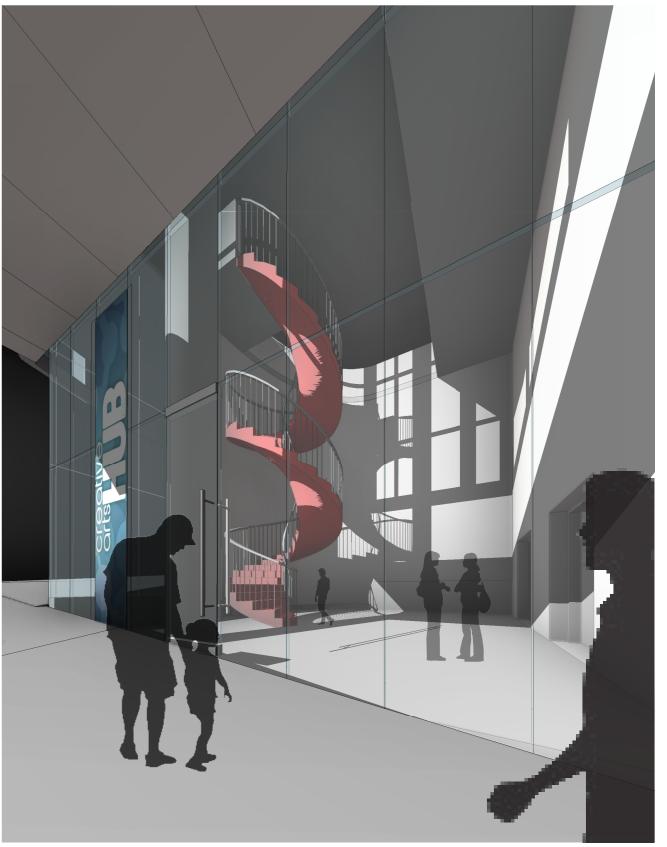


INDICATIVE 3D PERSPECTIVES

ARTS CENTRE LOBBY ENTRY



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