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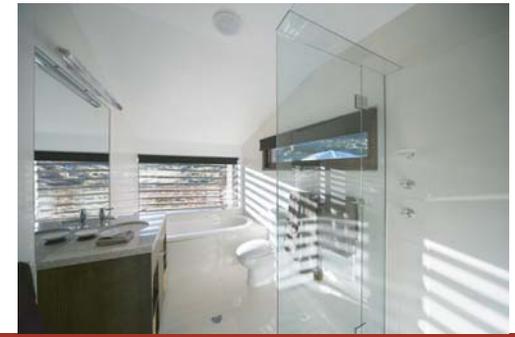
The Avenel House PMA has recently seen through the successful completion a new house at Avenel. The house presents a successful application of experimental ESD features that were informed by the expansive rural property and what has become PMA's signature design methodology. The house has already attracted much publishing interest and is due to feature in **Monument's** Residential Special in 2006.

DIIRD & RAIA China mission Paul Morgan, along with four other architects, has recently experienced an intense, whirlwind fortnight travelling and presenting designs throughout five Chinese provinces. Amidst the flurry of presentations, formalities and banquets, the smoothly organised trip has proven to be fruitful for the 'architectural collective', where some significant projects are now being developed.



The Avenel House
Views of and from the house at dusk by John Gollings.

The Avenel House
Interior views by John Gollings



Box Hill Trades Facility (Work Barn) and precinct plan

The Trades Facility (pictured left) has

commenced construction. The project involves the design of a simple steel framed structure for carpentry and plumbing apprentices studying within the TAFE (Technical and Further Education) sector. Similar to many PMA designs, the design of the building envelope responds to wind effect, solar movement, site easements and acoustic demands. A large elliptical opening on the street elevation acts as a contemporary proscenium, revealing the mechanisms of the training process. This approach ensures that the Institute's learning programs are exposed to public view. The shaping of lightweight metal and polycarbonate cladding over a simple industrial steel frame allows for the creation of an expressive architectural form within a limited budget.

Publication News

PMA's international exposure is growing. The impending completion of the

Avenel house and Cape Schanck house has aroused much media attention. Both PMA projects feature alongside the SIAL Sound Studio [RMIT] in the recent international publication '**Design City Melbourne**', edited by Professor Leon van Schaik [Wiley Academy, London, 2006] and featuring the cream of the Melbourne design world.

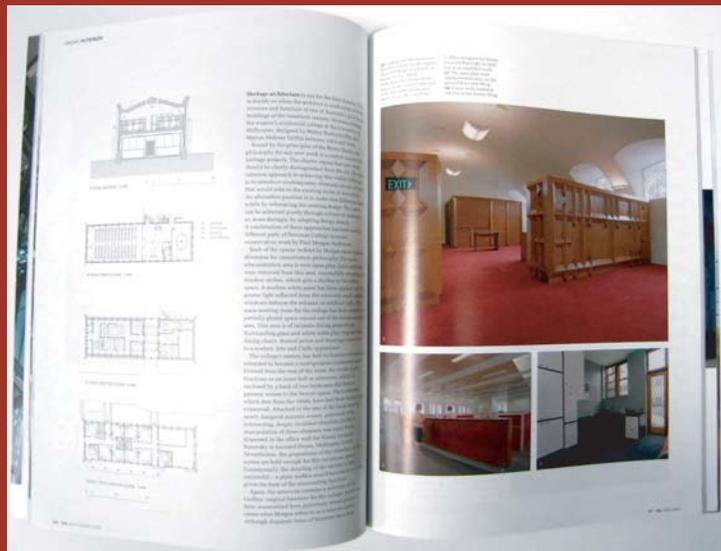
Switzerland's **P.S.A Publishing** have invited PMA to be included in their international projects '**World**

Architects.com', featuring the finest architects from selected host countries, and set up to promote interesting, small design practices. PMA is one of the practices representing the Australian site.

Fusion Publishing based in Stuttgart, Germany has invited PMA to participate in their international publication, '**Young Asian Architects**'. Providing an overview of relatively new practices within the Australasian region, PMA's Avenel House and SIAL Sound Studios will feature in the book.

Other News Paul Morgan was a keynote speaker at the recent **SONA RAIA National Student Design**

Competition held at the University of Melbourne. PMA was also selected as one of the handful of newly established Melbourne architects in the **Past, Present & Future Exhibition** held at Melbourne Central as part of the 2006 Melbourne Design Festival and run through the RAIA.



Tracey Avery, '**Newman College**', Architecture Australia, July / August 2006

