

# Case Study

## Smith Street Collingwood

# ARCHI

Adaptive Reuse  
City Housing Initiative



This project by Tsai Design has transformed an existing music shop with rooms above into an excellent example of shop-top adaptive reuse. The first floor has been reconfigured and an extension to the rear includes parking and stair access to the residence allowing the shop and dwelling to operate completely independently.

### Consultant team

Architect - Tsai Design

### Timeline

2017–2020



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## Entry

A change in level across the site has been utilised cleverly to create a car park and undercroft storage at the rear of the site. As the dwelling is a single residence, no lift is required, so entry is provided via a new stair from the lower car park area. The new rear entry has allowed the existing shop front to remain untouched.

## Outdoor Space

The new extension to the rear of the existing building also includes a roof top deck, providing the dwelling with valuable outdoor space accessible via the central stair well. Due to the height of the original shop front, this space is concealed from view from the street and has no impact on the street elevation.

