



# 105 ONAN ROAD

## 2019 Special Mention

A true labour of love, the owners were deeply involved to restore and rejuvenate this two-storey shophouse. Use of recycled materials and upcycled discards throughout the project help to add to the charm.

This most recent renovation in 2012 has injected new life into a humble building and in the process, enlivening the street and inspired its neighbouring shophouses to be similarly refreshed.

A project considered ahead of its time at completion, it serves to encourage bold partnership between architects and owners. The clever insertion of a new two-storey rear service block creates additional space without detracting from the older part of the house. The outcome is an effective space that has brought back the original intent of a shophouse. The reinstated airwell allows generous natural light and ventilation into the interior. This project stands out as a model of a traditional low energy building.

**Owner**  
Sharon Tay

**Architects**  
Ezra Architects

**Engineer**  
JS Tan Consultants Pte Ltd

**Contractor**  
Sage Builders Pte Ltd

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*Onan Road, 1980s*

Through a close collaboration between the owners and the Architect, new life has been injected into this humble pre-war shophouse. It has inspired its neighbouring shophouses to be similarly refreshed.

The works brought back the original intent of a shophouse such as the airwell which allows natural light and ventilation into the interior. The clever insertion of a new two-storey rear extension creates additional space while being sensitive to the existing building which reuses materials such as old timber floor boards and balustrades. The project stands out as a traditional low energy building.



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