

**JURY'S CITATIONS**

**28 Orchard Road  
2019 Award for Restoration**

Rebranded as the 'Temasek Shophouse' and billed as a 'cradle for social impact', this project is a masterful restoration that has recaptured the spirit of its original style. In-depth historical research, along with a firm conviction to a vision have ensured that the once tired building was reborn with a new lease of life. Research uncovered on its former residential and commercial uses as well as the Dhoby Ghaut area, has guided the restoration approach.

The refreshed building strikes a contrast that draws the attention of pedestrians to come in and explore. The internal layout not only brings natural light into the central atrium but opens up the space to add an element of grandeur. This sensitively created space cater for both larger scale community events as well as small group discussions through clever space planning.

Original ornamentations and missing features have been carefully restored to bring the building as close to its original form as possible. The opening up of the once enclosed rear yard has exposed previously hidden spiral staircases and verandahs. Special effort was also taken to make it possible for the building to be naturally ventilated. The concerted efforts which includes tropical landscaping has revitalised this heritage gem as a landmark along Orchard Road.

**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.