

RMIT - Swanston Library

An IntraSpace Project











ABOUT THE PROJECT

- The University has identified the renovation of the Swanston Library as a key priority. The Library is rated as the number one destination for students on campus and it is crucial for RMIT to be a first class facility. An updated Library building will allow for increased capacity and for us to better adapt to new modes of delivering Library services. The new design has been developed by one of the country's foremost educational architects, Lyons (and a team consisting of MvS, Maddison, Harrison & White and NMBW) using student and user surveys and best practice from the world's leading academic libraries.
- More Study Space

This vibrant, yet comfortable and supported learning environment features a variety of spaces that includes both secured and open spaces that has almost double the seating. Light and airy social spaces connect seamlessly with purposedesigned study spaces, outdoor and weather-protected terrace gardens; collaborative, silent and quiet study areas; and consultation and seminar rooms. The versatility of the transformed Library spaces facilitate extended opening hours.

Improved Access to Collections

The complete refurbishment, over two levels (5 and 6) of buildings 8, 10 and 12, consolidates the physical collection into building 8. Digital and physical collections will continue to be tailored to learning, teaching and research needs. Well-lit shelves with wheelchair accessible aisles will be clearly arranged. New display and exhibition facilities are aiding engagement with the Library's collections as well as highlighting core collections. External return chutes simplify the return of loans.

PROJECT SCOPE

IntraSpace was contracted to Abax Kingfisher to provide all the installation of the new Kingfisher Library Shelving, Custom Designed Laminate End Panels and Signage. Abax Kingfisher worked closely with Lend Lease, RMIT and Lyons to create a truly inspirational new library space. IntraSpace is the sole distributor of the GECA Certified Kingfisher Library Shelving in Victoria.

With a total of 1500 bays of shelving and full laminate custom end panels, top shrouds, kick bases and customised overhead bay lighting.

The installation was all done out of hours – to minimise disruption to the University and the students.

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