

Cafe



Interactive learning zone

Restoring the Feline: Cat Rehabilitation Centre 15-19 East Street

Located just off Karangahape Road, this centre can house 300 cats and acts as a rehabilitation centre, veterinary clinic, and adoption centre.

This design proposal focuses on activating the street corner the visitor sees upon approach: a curved three-storey atrium is placed at the corner, contrasting with the site. All public areas are placed in the front and curved to provide a more interesting experience for the visitor, and to contrast with the more linear arrangement of the functional areas.

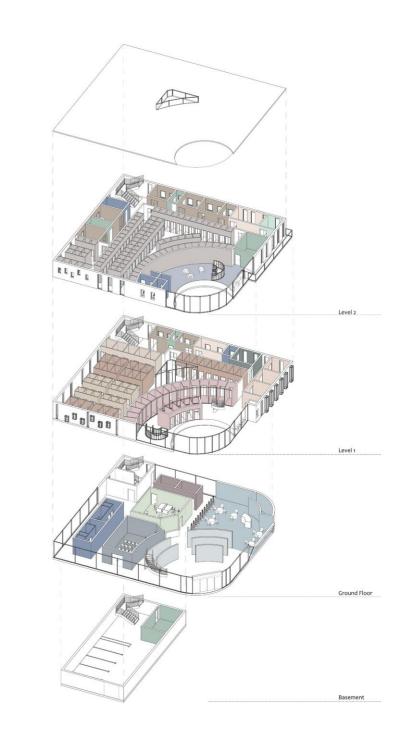
Ground floor holds the public functions, such as the cafe and theatre.

Level 1 is the adoption centre, where visitors can see and spend time with a cat they are considering adopting. Healthy cats are placed in colony rooms of 3 cats per room.

Level 2 is where cats are assessed and kept upon arrival. They are placed in single rooms and observed for two weeks in case any have contagious sicknesses.

Cats are brought up to level 2 for assessment upon arrival, and are moved to level 1 when deemed healthy, and adopted from there.





Exploded axonometric Function arrangement



Section through main public spaces



Detail section of colony room



Entrance interior



Cat viewing gallery



Adoption rooms