

urban aesthetics

house in tamatsu osaka, japan

Located on a 43 sqm plot in the heart of a multi-function urban neighborhood, the 4 tenant family house replaces an old and dark two-storey timber house. The craving for natural light in this narrow house dictated an open, well-lit living space. In keeping with the family lifestyle, the master bedroom was located on the ground floor, the family room on the first floor, the children's rooms on the top floor, with a roof terrace above. Since the opening of large windows to the street could have disturbed the tenants' privacy, the structure on the second floor was rotated 14 degrees on its axis, resulting in a void canopied by a skylight that floods the house with natural light. Walls on the second floor were inclined to allow better orientation of light to the ground floor. The result - an unusual building which gives its tenants a home to be proud of, while enhancing the surroundings.

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