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RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS UNDER \$200,000



Good looks . . . old and new merge easily

Extensions to the back of a house in the inner western suburb of Burwood, carried out by Earlwood builder Elvis Mardini of **VES Constructions**, impressed the judges.

"Excellent standard of workmanship throughout. The design flows well, with the transition between the new and the old effectively carried out," they said.

According to the builder, the owner's initial concern was to achieve a result that gave very little noticeable difference between the existing and new areas.

With the help of architect Rob Wever they achieved a bold, innovative feeling through clever design, space and natural light.

The main feature of the house is the new and exciting family/dining/living room area with its very high ceilings and decorative plaster features and bulkheads. Windows bring in plenty of natural light and double doors open out to the back garden.

The addition — complete with new kitchen, laundry and cellar — has given a completely new outlook to the house without changing its street facade.