



It's been a very busy period preparing for the official opening of Stonecutters, but the hard work seems to be paying off.

People have been extremely complimentary about the new display apartment on The Knoll, which replicates what living on the fifth floor of Stonecutters will be like.

The 19-storey building is equally stunning, with the architect Alec Tzannes telling me it has been inspired by the elements, the materials and the topography of Sydney. Stonecutters has strong vertical lines, elegant proportions, blade walls, recessed corners, and it is topped with a double-height golden-bronze crown to add a dramatic sense of theatre.

When you inspect the display you fully appreciate the breathtaking views which stretch from the Anzac Bridge, Balmain peninsular, Goat Island and Berrys Bay

across Sydney Harbour to the Harbour Bridge, Darling Harbour, King Street Wharf and the city skyline.

If all continues to go to plan we will start building Stonecutters early next year, with an anticipated completion of mid-2009. We'll have a full report on the official opening of Stonecutters in the next issue of Jacksons Journal.

Until next time

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SMILE, YOU'RE AT JACKSONS LANDING



Dr Hoang Dang and Lisa Le

Throughout history dentists have been portrayed as the harbingers of pain. There is evidence of Stone Age dental drills made from flint, and teeth have been discovered in Pakistan dating back 9,000 years that have been drilled.

Boy, that must have hurt!

But the age of near-painless, comfortable and enjoyable dentistry is here.

Distillery residents Dr Hoang (Patrick) Dang and partner Lisa Le have just completed their dream dental practice, Pymont Dental Health, on the ground floor of the Nokia Building, on the corner of Harris and Bowman St.

The waiting room puts you at ease the moment you enter. It was designed to look and feel like a modern apartment with comfortable lounges, an espresso machine, a microwave, refrigerator, two electric massaging chairs and a television where you can watch Foxtel or play Playstation 3.

"We believe that dental treatment begins the moment the patient walks through the door. If patients are relaxed, the visit is always more enjoyable for both the patient and the dentist," said Dr Dang.

The real head-turner is a soothing marine reef tank, 3.6-metres long and 90cm high, filled with more than 30 colourful 'Finding Nemo' varieties of fish... and yes, Nemo and Marlin are in there. Delightfully, a video camera is positioned next to the tank sending a live, close-up image into the main television.

"The fish tank was the most challenging feature in the practice to build," said Dr Dang. "We wanted something that would attract people to the surgery, but would also distract patients from the dental procedure. The most difficult task was to build the tank so it would be highly visible from the street yet provide complete privacy for the patient."

Dr Dang said patients who are relaxed tend to have fewer dental problems

because they go to the dentist more regularly. "Hence, we built our practice like an apartment because for most people, especially residents of Jacksons Landing, home is the most comfortable and relaxing place to be.

"We didn't like the idea of a typical waiting room with a few magazines; instead we made it into an entertainment room. We want every aspect of our practice to be special."

Special is an understatement. When it comes time for the traditional 'white knuckle' lie in the dental chair you are offered wireless headphones to listen to your choice of music. As well as the spectacular view of the aquarium, a flat screen television is positioned above your head so you can watch your favourite movie while having a clean. (Apparently 'The Simpsons' is very popular). The TV also doubles as a display screen for Dr Dang to show patients their X-rays and to point out procedures he will be performing.

For patients who are afraid of dental needles a new machine called 'The Wand' is available to dispense a local anaesthetic to numb any potential pain.

"Having coached a rowing team over the last six years I've had the pleasure to watch Jacksons Landing grow into a vibrant community. Now as a resident I hope that I can contribute to its success," Dr Dang said.

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