



Mireille Allemann (left) and Tanja Wurmitzer (right).



Angiology practice.



Ophthalmology practice.



Villa Rebwiesstrasse.

Light and grace: echt.raum architects

Echt.raum designs living and working spaces that connect with the human being. Based in Zurich, echt.raum looks back on five years of providing architecture and visualisations.

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With a design that is soothing to the eye and allows a feeling of inner expansion, the projects of echt.raum open up spaces and gently put them together again, according to their clients' vision and needs. A young and dynamic team, the architects of echt.raum focus on exclusivity and originality. Believing in haptic and sensual architecture that will touch people, the individual lies at the centre of each project.

Medical practices are their field of specialty. They look at the doctor's spaces as the carte de visite for the practitioner. Before getting to know the doctor, the patient steps into the practice. As the first impression always counts, echt.raum believe that the doctor's work philosophy and personality should be mirrored in their surroundings. A functional outline

of the workspace and a healthy room climate in which everyone feels at ease are important as well. Creating both an individual atmosphere and a smooth functionality through design are the two aspects that form the echt.raum approach.

Echt.raum was founded by Mireille Allemann in 2011. Recently, Tanja Wurmitzer has joined the management board. Their team of architects and interns is tightly connected with competent specialists. After starting out with designing medical practices and doing feasibility studies, today the office has expanded into building and converting villas and apartment houses. For projects such as these, echt.raum creates light-flooded, airy living spaces with both inventive and practical details. For example, echt.raum believes a staircase

is not just a staircase, but rather an ascending gesture, providing the promise of upward expansion.

Echt.raum designs buildings that weave the cloth of the urban landscape history. They succeed in implementing a contemporary view on architecture while using high-quality, sustainable materials. Their clients value the individual and conscientious approach the team provides.

Next year's agenda will bring a groundbreaking multifunctional project that will connect apartments, experimental operating theatres and an event hall together into one single building.

With an in-depth look at their clients' needs and a detailed, sustainable approach to each project, echt.raum and its architects provide exquisite designs for living and working spaces alike, which embrace the human being and connect people with the spaces they inhabit.

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