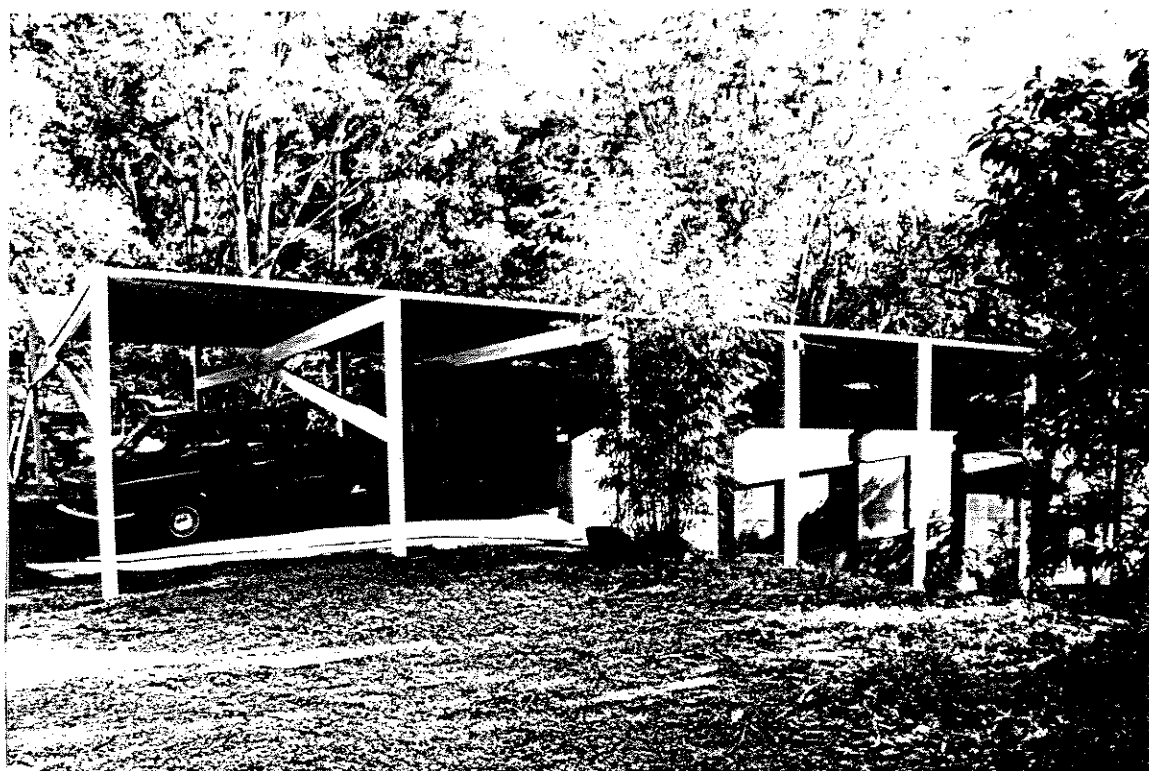


Original Use: Residence
Date of Construction: 1959¹
Architect: Grounds, Romberg and Boyd²

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HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION

24 Milfay Avenue is one of the earliest modern houses in Melbourne, and is a good example of the bold forms that became a hallmark of 1950s design. The house has the invention and skill in its design that came to be expected of its designers; one of the most prominent architectural partnerships at the time. The most innovative part of the design is the 'V'-shaped channel that serves as the roof. It rests on the upper faces of a series of crossed support beams, while the ceiling is suspended from their lower faces, creating a floating appearance. It is a form particularly sympathetic to the steep site, allowing the house to step down the site under the clean sweep of the roof. The house remains substantially intact.

¹Working Drawings lodged with the Kew City Council in application for a Building Permit. Drawing received by the Council 6 November 1959.

²ibid.

