

SILVER AWARD

ADAPTIVE REUSE

THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF AMSTERDAM

ATELIER PRO ARCHITECTS

Netherlands

The British School of Amsterdam has a new home in a former prison, which was first built around 1890. The building follows a cruciform plan, featuring a panopticon with a large dome at its intersection. Cells were located in three long wings. To adapt the prison for use as a school, these wings were each extended on one long side to create spacious rooms, while on the other side the corridors and old facades were preserved. Cells were broken through in places to create larger teaching spaces, allowing the British School of Amsterdam to consolidate three separate facilities into this one location.



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