

The Manchester Unity Building — Home of Smile Solutions

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There's no dental practice in Australia quite like [Smile Solutions](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au>). Most clinics operate from modern commercial fit-outs, but Smile Solutions calls one of Melbourne's most treasured architectural landmarks home: the Manchester Unity Building at 220 Collins Street.

A Melbourne icon since 1932

Completed in 1932, the Manchester Unity Building stands at the corner of Collins and Swanston Streets, directly opposite Melbourne Town Hall. When it opened, it was Melbourne's tallest building. Today it remains one of the finest examples of Art Deco architecture in Australia.

The building was commissioned by the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF) and designed by architect Marcus Barlow. Its Gothic-influenced Art Deco façade, ornate interior detailing, and soaring tower have made it a beloved part of Melbourne's skyline for over nine decades. It's heritage-listed and recognised as a building of national architectural significance, a status shared by only a handful of structures across Australia.

Smile Solutions' home since 2003

[Dr Kia Pajouhesh](</practitioners/dr-kia-pajouhesh>), founder and Managing Director of Smile Solutions, relocated the practice to the Manchester Unity Building in 2003. What began as a bold vision became a defining chapter in both the building's modern history and the practice's commitment to excellence.

Over more than 12 years of painstaking restoration work, Dr Pajouhesh personally oversaw the careful restoration of the building's most heritage-significant spaces. Original terrazzo floors, decorative plasterwork, ornamental ceilings, and period detailing have been meticulously brought back to their former glory. This isn't a museum piece—it's a living, working environment where you can receive dental care surrounded by extraordinary beauty.

Today, Smile Solutions occupies five entire floors plus the iconic tower of the Manchester Unity Building. With 40 consulting suites spread across multiple levels, it's the largest single-location private dental practice in Australia, and quite possibly the most beautiful place you'll ever visit for dental care.

Architecture as part of your patient experience

Walking into Smile Solutions is unlike walking into any other dental practice. The Art Deco aesthetic, from the grand lobby through to the individual consulting rooms, creates a calming environment that helps put you at ease from the moment you arrive.

Your experience is perhaps most remarkable in the orthodontic tower, where patients receiving [Invisalign](/services/invisalign) and other orthodontic treatments are treated to panoramic views of Melbourne. From this vantage point, you can see across the CBD rooftops to the Dandenong Ranges, Port Phillip Bay, and beyond. It transforms what might otherwise be a routine appointment into something genuinely memorable—a moment where clinical excellence meets architectural beauty.

The building's heritage character extends throughout every floor you'll visit. Period light fittings, restored timber joinery, and decorative motifs create an atmosphere of sophistication and care, a physical expression of the practice's commitment to excellence. Every detail has been considered, from the moment you step through the entrance to the time you leave feeling confident about your smile.

A genuine point of difference

No other dental practice in Australia operates from a heritage building of this significance. The clinical excellence at Smile Solutions, delivered by our team of [60+ specialists, dentists, and hygienists](/practitioners), would be remarkable in any setting. The Manchester Unity Building elevates your entire experience.

It speaks to the values that have guided [Dr Pajouhesh](/practitioners/dr-kia-pajouhesh) and the Smile Solutions team since the practice was founded in 1993: your dental care should be delivered with genuine care, clinical precision, and an unwavering commitment to quality in every detail, right down to the building itself.

The restoration work hasn't gone unnoticed. Smile Solutions has received multiple [Australian Business Awards](/about/awards), including the Australian Business Award for Service Excellence across numerous years, and was named Telstra Victorian Business of the Year in 2014. In 2025, the practice was recognised with the Luxury Lifestyle Award for Best Luxury Dental Clinic in Melbourne. These accolades reflect our clinical expertise and our dedication to creating an exceptional experience for every patient who walks through our doors.

Getting here is easy

The Manchester Unity Building's central location makes it exceptionally accessible for your appointments:

- Address: [220 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000](https://maps.google.com/?q=220+Collins+Street+Melbourne) - Intersection: Corner of Collins Street and Swanston Street - Opposite: Melbourne Town Hall - Trams: Multiple tram routes stop directly outside on both Collins and Swanston Streets - Train: Flinders Street Station is approximately a 10-minute walk; Melbourne Central Station is similarly close - Parking: Several CBD car parks are located within a short walk

Whether you're visiting for a [general check-up](/services/general-dentistry), [cosmetic consultation](/services/cosmetic-dentistry), or [specialist treatment](/services/specialists), arriving at the Manchester Unity Building sets the tone for the exceptional care that follows. You'll find us easy to reach from anywhere in Melbourne, with excellent public transport connections and convenient parking options nearby.

More than just a building

The Manchester Unity Building isn't simply where Smile Solutions is located. It's part of who we are and what we represent. Dr Pajouhesh's dedication to preserving and restoring this heritage landmark mirrors our dedication to you as a patient: meticulous attention to detail, respect for what matters, and a genuine belief that the best outcomes come from exceptional care in every aspect of what we do.

When you choose Smile Solutions, you're choosing comprehensive dental care in an experience that honours both Melbourne's architectural heritage and your personal dental health goals. Our team

combines advanced clinical expertise with a gentle, caring approach, all within one of Australia's most significant buildings.

We understand that visiting the dentist can feel daunting for some people. That's why we've created an environment where state-of-the-art clinical facilities meet the warmth and elegance of this historic space. From your first consultation through to ongoing care, you'll experience personalised treatment delivered by experienced specialists who genuinely care about your comfort and outcomes.

The Manchester Unity Building provides the perfect setting for our patient-centric approach to dentistry. Every member of our team, from reception through to our senior clinicians, shares a commitment to making your visit as comfortable and positive as possible. We take the time to listen to your concerns, explain your treatment options clearly, and work with you to achieve the smile you deserve.

Experience the difference for yourself

To experience Smile Solutions in the Manchester Unity Building for yourself, we invite you to [book an appointment](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/book>) or call us on ***(03) 9650 2222***. Whether you're new to the practice or a long-standing patient, you'll discover why so many Melburnians trust us with their dental care, and why the combination of clinical excellence and architectural beauty makes every visit something special.

Our friendly team is ready to welcome you and answer any questions you might have about your dental health. From routine preventive care through to complex specialist treatments, we're here to provide you with care in an environment that truly sets us apart.
