



The central fig tree will ultimately provide much needed shade

Marrickville Council engaged Sturt Noble Associates to design and document a new playground area. Our objectives for the playground were to achieve a space that 'offered more than the standard play equipment', while being stimulating, visually appealing and activating the senses'.

Planting and level changes are used to form and divide play spaces, creating discreet and separate areas within the playground. Each space is link through various paths; across the sand, under the bridge, over the mounds, across the water, along the timber balance beams, stepping stones through the gardens, or for the less mobile along paved areas or rubber softfall paths.

The water play area allows for active involvement, with children determining the flow of the water via a flow controlled water spout. The differing sizes of pebbles, stones and boulders within the water feature allow children to experience the way water moves over different surfaces. Sound play items designed by Duke Albada and found items including sculpted stone provide another aspect to the play area, allowing for exploration involving all the senses.



Net play equipment in construction



Completed net play equipment