



Luiz Olivieri Apartment Building

Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais

From the same idea of tumbled residence composition, architect and sculptor Luiz Olivieri's project of 1914, belonging to the urban set of Tiradentes Square in Belo Horizonte, the project of its revitalization and enlargement for a building of multi-familiar use developed.

The eclectic construction preserves the original feature, with approach and composition typical of the time of implantation of the new capital state of Minas Gerais - the juxtaposition of the architectural and ornamental elements.

With elements of similar composition of the original building, the new 14-floor construction was drawn in response to a possible continuity of two present urban realities in Belo Horizonte: the city of 1900 and the new vertical occupation, typical of its recent history.

OLIVIERI, Luiz

(Italy, 1869 – Contagem/MG, 1937)

Architect, designer, sculptor and painter

Graduated in Italy (Florence), he soon immigrated to Brazil and in 1897, year of the capital inauguration, Belo Horizonte, he opened the first city drawing and architecture private office at Sabará Street, being responsible for a great number of constructions' projects in the new capital.

He received a Gold Medal award for exhibitions in Rio de Janeiro, in 1908, and Turim, in 1911. He had the book "The Modern Architect in Brazil" published in Italy with about 90 boards of residence drawn by him, where contains the project of this house at Rio Grande do Norte Street.

As a sculptor he portrayed Belo Horizonte's popular types in terra cotta in the first two decades of 20th century, like Manuel Creoulo, who earned his living selling magazines and newspapers in the streets, announced them as it follows: "The one who does not know how to read, look the illustrations!", Manuel das Moças and Muquirana, pieces of Abílio Barreto Historical Museum.

Credits

partners in charge: Luiz Olivieri (1914) Paulo Pontes (1996-2001)

team:

Vanessa Cunha, Rejane R. Ramalho Costa, Alcino Fonseca, Daniela Pinheiro

collaborators

structure: TECTOO

services: Isometria Ltda

fire engineering: JAC projetos e instalações Ltda

built manager: José Rubélio

photo: Nuno Sanches

Project sheet

client: Construtora Fernando Valle S/A

status: built 1914-1996-2001

site: Rua Rio Grande do Norte, 605

program:

A multi-familiar building with 5.031 sqm including 28 apartments with living room, kitchen, three bedrooms with bathrooms. Garage and storages.

An old house from 1914 was restored and is used as the new entrance to the apartment building

structural system: concrete and brick.

type: residence