

16 Kowhai Street, Kenmore, QLD, 4069

House For Sale

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Bedrooms: 3

Bathrooms: 2

Parkings: 2

Type: House



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Where Nature and Art Meet Contemporary Living

Auction Location: ON SITE

Hidden at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac, set well back from the street, and veiled by lush, established gardens, this mid-century modern masterpiece is an unparalleled find in Kenmore. Occupying a generous 1,176m² allotment, this architectural gem, designed in the late 1960s, offers a private retreat within one of Brisbane's most family-friendly suburbs.

From the moment you step onto this property, it is clear you have discovered something truly unique and very special. This stylish modernist home is defined by split-level design, soaring raked ceilings and thoughtfully placed skylights that bathe the interiors in natural light. The home's artistic legacy is evident in every detail—an inspired creation lovingly owned since 1975 by a celebrated artist whose creative spirit still infuses the space. The property's unique floor plan adapts effortlessly to contemporary living, offering an abundance of options to tailor the space to your lifestyle.

The top level is home to three bedrooms, a study and two bathrooms, which are accessed via a walkway suspended like a bridge above the open-plan kitchen, living, and dining areas below. The master bedroom features a bank of windows which welcome in lovely light and glimpses of greenery from the lush garden. Its ensuite features floor to ceiling louvres which provide great air flow and an abundance of light. Another light-filled bedroom, complete with built-in robes and garden views, sits next to the family bathroom, with colonial style washstand, separate bath, shower, and toilet. The third bedroom, has a spectacular view of the garden and enjoys light streaming in from three sides and a skylight that stretches the length of the room. It is a versatile space that could easily serve as a second master suite or as a self-contained guest studio, as it has its own separate entrance.

The main living level is the social hub of the home, where family and friends naturally gather. The contemporary kitchen takes centre stage to both the indoor and outdoor living areas. Bathed in light throughout the day, courtesy of double-height glass windows in the adjoining dining space, the kitchen offers breathtaking views of the surrounding gardens. Sleek white cabinetry, reconstituted stone benchtops, and a suite of stainless-steel Miele appliances complement the modern design. A unique clear glass splashback provides morning light, a view of the garden and even slides open for fresh air. At the centre, a vast island bench provides a perfect spot for breakfast, casual meals, or a coffee break. For sit down family meals, the kitchen is connected to a dedicated dining area. The dining table is positioned beneath a tall void and surrounded by double-storey windows, creating the impression of dining in the treetops. Timber bifold doors retract to seamlessly connect the kitchen and dining area to a huge entertaining deck. Here you can entertain on any scale, whether it is a long lunch with extended family and friends, or a quiet Sunday afternoon curled up on the lounge enjoying the beautiful birdsong and the fascination of the garden below.

The living room, with its soaring raked ceilings and exposed beams, reflects the home's modernist design pedigree. Bathed in light from three sides, the space is designed for both relaxation and entertaining, featuring louvre windows to control breezes during the warmer months and a cozy wood-burning fireplace for the cooler seasons.

On the ground level, two multi-purpose rooms add to the flexibility of this home's layout. One, currently set up as a TV/rumpus room, opens directly to the gardens through bifold doors, offering an easy indoor-outdoor connection ideal for active families. The other multi-purpose room, used as a guest bedroom, provides additional versatility.

The ground level includes a laundry room and a workshop with ample storage for tools and equipment. There is space for a wine cellar, along with abundant storage options throughout the home. A large carport accommodates up to three cars.

The gardens themselves are nothing short of a living, breathing work of art, meticulously designed by renowned landscape architect Jeremy Ferrier, and celebrated in several books and magazines. An incredible lush aerial garden designed to be viewed from the deck features striking bamboo, tall palms, mondo grass, sandstone seating, and eye-catching sculptures. The garden is both a canvas of dynamic seasonal colour changes and the more subtle changes of

light and shade within a day. It is a magical haven for children to explore and a captivating backdrop for both everyday living and grand entertaining.

This unique property is more than just a house; it is a symbol of modernist architecture and an artist's creative retreat, set amidst enchanting gardens that breathe life and energy into every corner. It's a home that invites you to become part of its storied legacy—where art and nature unite to create a truly special living experience. If you seek a sanctuary that marries timeless design with modern functionality, this Kenmore home is your canvas. Will you be the one to add the next brushstroke?

Sought after location walking distance to Wongabell shops and Kenmore Shopping Centre

Bus stop at the end of the street

1176 m2 Private Cul-de-sac Allotment

Stunning Gardens and Sculptures

Gardens Designed by Jeremy Ferrier

Fine Example of Mid-Century Modern Architecture

Split Level Design

Soaring Raked Ceilings

Skylights, Double-Storey Glass, and Voids

Flexible Floorplan Options

Three bedrooms, a study and two bathrooms

Contemporary Kitchen with Miele Appliances

Huge Entertaining Deck

Artist's Painting Studio with Separate Entrance

2 Multi-Purpose Rooms

3 Car Accommodation

Workshop/Gardening Areas

Abundant Storage Options

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