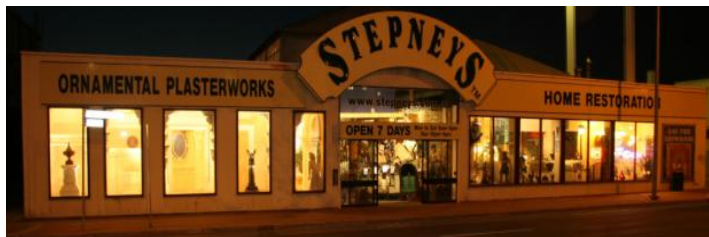


# Newsletter

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Thanks for viewing the premiere of the Stepneys Newsletter  
This issue we focus on the front fence and the Heritage Cast Iron label available at Stepneys.

## HERITAGE CAST IRON --The Best Offence

The front fence is the first element people will experience when visiting and viewing your home. Its importance in creating an ambience relevant to the era of your home is therefore significant not only to your own property, but also in contributing to the overall streetscape.

When considering renovating a front fence, both the State Heritage Branch and the National Trust suggest several principles be followed:

- When a new fence is constructed, its design should match the original (as determined by site evidence or early photographs) or be derived from an appropriate style for the period and design of the house.
- Examples still existing in the local area should be used as a model for the new fence.
- The fence's contribution to the streetscape should be considered particularly if the building is within an historic area.

These documents and more are available for download at their respective websites and provide valuable historical perspectives when considering renovating.

Stepneys, in conjunction with Heritage Cast Iron have painstakingly reproduced designs from Adelaide's original Cast Iron specialist The Sun Foundry by A.C. Harley & Co. (1897) and elsewhere to provide customers the opportunity to achieve a front fence that will add period correct heritage charm and value to your home and business. We have been doing this for over a decade now and supply nationally 8 different styles so that no matter where you are or how grand or quaint your desires, Stepneys experienced staff can help you achieve it.



To view the full Cast Iron Gates & Fencing Range visit [Heritagecastiron.com.au](http://Heritagecastiron.com.au)



## STEPNEYS CUSTOMER PROFILE

### Renato & Mariana Disanto - Barton Vale Events

When deciding where to raise their 8 (yes, 8) children Renato and Mariana required a home that, simply put, would be big enough.

The 1847 Barton Vale Manor is a grand old Adelaide lady which provided not only the room for their brood, but ample opportunity for Renato to demonstrate his renovating abilities. Over the past 7 years Renato has spent as much time at Stepneys as many of the staff, so much so that he thought he might as well be paid for it and recently joined the team, yours truly caught up with Renato at lunch one day.

Describe the inspiration behind your additions to the home?

*We wanted to bring back the former glory of the home and so choosing period correct architectural fittings and furniture wasn't easy. Stepney's has provided us with a one-stop location to get almost everything we have needed.*

*We also wanted to share the manor with the public, and Mariana and I now run a functions business (Barton Vale Events) based in the opulent Ballroom.*

What have been your favorite purchases from Stepneys?

*Over the years we have bought that much its hard to say. The mirrors have been fantastic, particularly with 7 daughters. There have been architectural pieces such as Marble Mantlepieces and also some beautiful furniture and exterior products like Cast Iron Urns, Lights and Sandstone Entrance Pillars. The best thing has been that whatever we have needed, Stepneys have been able to either order it in for us, or have it in stock ready to go then and there. The fact that Stepneys carry large amounts in stock is also an important factor as it helps keep the jobs moving and Mariana happy.*

Renovating is a never ending process for some people, what's next for Barton Vale Manor?

*We need some Chandeliers for our 32ft Entrance Foyer and Ballroom, so those are a must, my kids keep saying we should get some Dinosaurs, but I'm not convinced. I think after the lights it will be time for a paint job outside so if your free drop by with a brush and some sky hooks.*

### NEW ARRIVALS

#### Animatronic Dinosaurs



### STORE HOURS:

9am-5pm Mon-Sat  
12pm-4pm Sun & Public  
Holidays

