

Plenty of soul in shared space

WHEN Tatiana and Paul Hinde chose the name Soul Space for their new business in 2004, it was the result of a lot of soul searching.

Working on different projects but sharing the same values – and office space – they also sought a name which reflected their incredible life journey.

When they met online in 2000, they were living on opposite sides of the world – Paul in Sydney and Taty in El Salvador.

Paul was a registered building designer with university studies in architecture and engineering in Australia. Taty was a graphic designer who had also worked as a design lecturer in American and Australian universities.

“We had an immediate connection and such amazing parallel lives,” Taty said.

“We both were single parents, working on our own design businesses and lecturing at university.”

After three years of dating and 3000 emails, Taty finally proposed to Paul and they got married in 2003.

“In 2004 we decided to start a new life somewhere different, so we drove from Sydney to Noosa,” Taty said.

“We had two goals: to find a place near the beach – with internet connection.”

Both Paul and Taty had to start from scratch, with only



REFLECTION OF LIFE: Tatiana and Paul Hinde run Soul Space at Sunrise Beach.

their passion for design and their computers. They didn't know anybody in the area.

“Noosa has been kind to us. In the six years since we started our design practices here, we have met some amazing people, formed close working relationships with clients, and had the opportunity to produce high quality on-going work.

“One of the biggest challenges was finding a house that could accommodate both our business and lifestyle. We found the right home for the business and the family, and we have made it work for us and our clients. People enjoy coming here and we love the fact that clients get to see us in our real life environment.”

Taty offers graphic design services specialising in visual identity and editorial design. Paul offers building design services specialising in residential and commercial architecture.

“While we may not work on the same projects, our design training and backgrounds mean we understand the work and



processes required in our respective projects to provide a high-end and professional service,” Taty said.

“We can provide support for each other, yet still retain our separate identities in our work.

“After many years in the corporate world we wanted a name that could say more about the experience we want to have and give to our clients,” she said.

“For Paul, his goal is to create unique spaces for people to rest, play, enjoy time with their families or even work if they need to – a space for people's soul to rejoice and be.

“For me, design is the space where my soul finds the most joyful way of expression in the world of commerce.

“Our work is a celebration of who we are.”

➔ **Soul Space is based at 23 Paluma Street, Sunrise Beach. Phone 5455 3651 or see www.soulspace.net.au**

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