All people use a set of senses to find, understand, remember, and organize the clarity of place, regardless of the intensity or number of senses they have. So, who is it then that sight has become the most important? For children and youth living with singular or dual sensory impairment, the experience of texture, smells, temperature, and vibrations are amplified to make up for what is missing. Design for human experience must seek to enhance the engagement of all senses, regardless if any are missing. Adolescents with dual sensory impairment can be encouraged to care for and take part in the cycle of natural energy systems while improving their mental stimulation and developing physical and nutritional health. Exposure to and adventure in the outdoors with nature exponentially increases the understanding, common sense, physical aptitude, and acceptance for life processes and adversity. Conservatories can extend the season of nature exploration and create warm sunny feeling places in cloudy climates. Daily activities can be formed around views to the outdoors, and in caring for vegetation within.

Programmatic parti (right) show conservatory spaces made central to the residential components.

Conservatory

A structure composed partly or entirely of glass, attached to the house and within which a large number of plants are grown and enjoyed. (GreenWeb's Gardening Glossary)