

# Because you're dying to know

MURDOCH University's Peter Dingle and Cedric Cheong host *Is Your House Killing You*, which premieres tomorrow night on SBS.

Two-and-a-half years in the making, the show is a seven-episode reality series that aims to expose household myths to make people's homes healthier.

Associate Professor Dingle said he went into seven homes with Mr Cheong, a PhD student, to uncover health hazards behind their front doors.

"The show is about raising awareness that every house has problems that most people ignore," he said.

"The message we want to get out is that if you deal with problems in the beginning you can resolve it, whereas if you put it off it can get worse.

"In every episode we offer handy hints that people can do in their own homes, like picking a floor varnish and removing mould. We encourage people to ask for safer products, reducing their exposure to chemicals."

Professor Dingle said it was fascinating that most people did not think cleanliness was an issue and the differ-



**Cedric Cheong and Peter Dingle star in a new TV series.** Picture: Martin Kennealey

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ences in hygiene between the sexes are marked with women bringing up their concerns and men happy to put off solving them.

Professor Dingle and Mr Cheong plan to see how this series goes before embarking on another one. *Is Your House Killing You* debuts on SBS on Wednesday, October 17, at 7.30pm.

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