



Pharmaka Gallery, Downtown Los Angeles, CA, USA

Project scope: Full services

Completed: 2005

Client: Pharmaka Non Profit Corporation

Size: 1,200 sq. ft.

The relationship between viewer and painting takes center stage and the space must reinforce this interaction. History, as in decades of use and wear, are exposed. Floor and ceiling are left untouched to narrate stories of the space's colorful history. In stark contrast, the new curvilinear art-wall is inserted almost as if it were a giant piece of furniture, accommodating uses such as office, toilet room and storage. Alcoves cut into the art-wall contain reception and an alcove for smaller works. Excessive daylight is blocked by a series of exhibition walls that extend to about two thirds of the glazed storefront while a giant wall at the end of the gallery forms a scene-like backdrop.

Link: <http://www.pharmaka-art.org/index.html>

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