Studio Shop Gallery Celebrates 110 Years of Art, Legacy & Resilience



COURTESY STUDIO SHOP GALLERY

The iconic storefront of Studio Shop Gallery on 244 Primrose Road in Burlingame

This September, Studio Shop Gallery, the oldest retail business in Burlingame and one of California's longest-standing art galleries, celebrates a remarkable milestone: 110 years of connecting people with fine art, custom framing, and community. Established in 1915, the gallery has not only survived – it has flourished – through wars, challenging economic times, shifting cultural landscapes, and a rapidly evolving art market.

From its humble beginnings as a framing shop and photography studio run by Ralph and Dorothy Crawford to today's contemporary, curator-led exhibition space under the leadership of the Martin family, Studio Shop Gallery has remained fiercely independent, family-owned and artist-focused for five generations. Its story is one of grit, invention, personability, and creative spirit – a rarity in the art world.



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Studio Shop Gallery - Interior

The curatorial theme of this anniversary is *Forever Young*, a month-long exhibition featuring all current gallery artists, on view from September 1 – 30, 2025. The celebration culminates with a celebration event on Saturday, September 20, including a ribbon-cutting ceremony with the mayor of Burlingame, live music, cocktails, and a vibrant showcase of art and gallery history.

"It's an incredible honor to carry on Studio Shop Gallery's legacy into the next generation" says Stephanie Martin. "We've seen collectors return with pieces originally framed during the Crawford era, and now we're welcoming a new generation of art lovers. Our story is only possible because of the amazing support from our Bay Area community. I'm excited to continue this journey and keep the gallery a vibrant hub for art and connection".



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A curated display of gallery art, showcased in exquisite handmade frames

As the gallery continues to grow and flourish into its second century, it remains committed to its founding values: artistry, connection, and community. In an era where so many galleries come and go, Studio Shop Gallery stands as proof that longevity in the art world is possible – with vision, heart, and a whole lot of staying power.

Join us in celebrating 110 years of fine art & custom framing.

Exhibition: September 1 - 30

Celebration: Saturday, September 20th, 5PM – 9PM Location: 244 Primrose Rd., Burlingame, CA 94010