

Railyard Gallery Buildings – AIA Santa Fe Tour

May 6, 2011 - Friday - 1pm – 2:30pm

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CEU Anticipated: 1.5 hr. HSW Sustainable

Cost: \$10 for AIA Santa Fe Members
\$15 for non- AIA Santa Fe Members
No Charge – students

- All tour proceeds directly support the AIA Santa Fe Lecture Series - helping bring visiting lecturers to New Mexico

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Built over several years with the same developer team, the three **Railyard Gallery Buildings** are designed to further the objectives of the Railyard Master Plan - create a contemporary arts corridor while defining a permeable built edge to the district. The renovation of the **Sears-Hansen Building** preserves and highlights its original heavy timber structure. Old paint and plaster were sandblasted from surfaces to expose textures in the exposed wood and concrete. Skylights were placed over the 20' x 20' grid of columns and beams, revealing a new relationship between the contrasting, crisp gallery interiors and the existing, rough-sawn structure. New entries on the East side of the building were deeply recessed to emphasize threshold into the original masonry box, while a portal carved out of the West facade provides a shared communal area for the building's tenants. Concrete stairs, planters, and ramps on the exterior of the building provide urban pedestrian zones. The **Rose Building** was designed to match the footprint and massing of the **Morelli Building** that it replaced. The simple volumes use a simple warehouse tectonic to highlight the contemporary gallery spaces. The program for the **Truro Building** required flexible ground floor gallery space, with offices on a mezzanine, and a separate flexible leasable office space on a second floor. The angled form on the street side of the building reflects the resolution of the city street geometry with the bearing of the nearby train tracks.

- Consultants: Structural - RME ABQ, Civil – Bohannon Huston Inc., M+E – Design Build
- Builder: Hart Construction
- Developer: Little Red, Little Blue, and Truro LLC

