

Oropallo Live/Work Studio

Berkeley, California 1992

description Live/Work Studio
size 3800SF

Artist Deborah Oropallo purchased a moderne style warehouse for her home and studio in Berkeley. The project includes and transforms existing building elements adopting their remarkable spatial/material qualities and their economies. Existing concrete floors are stained and sealed, existing timber joists and steel trusses are sandblasted and left exposed. Within this generously sky lit interior, wall space abounds, allowing work on several pieces to progress simultaneously.

Doors, cabinetry, handrails, countertops and lighting were designed and fabricated by Trachtenberg and Oropallo in collaboration with local craftspeople. At the exterior, a small walled garden is captured from a residual side yard.

