

R+B Begins Revitalization of its Denver Studio

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DENVER—Rowland+Broughton Architecture/Urban Design/Interior Design (R+B) has begun a revitalization of the storefront of its studio here.

The undertaking coincides with the upcoming restoration of the historic Mesa Store building in Aspen, CO, which is slated to become the firm's new national headquarters. R+B will also celebrate its 15th anniversary this June.

Following the guidelines of the Lower Downtown (LoDo) Historic District, the project includes replacing the first level storefront to improve the building's accessibility, historic character and visibility into the interior. A wood and glass street system and neutral material palette draws from the time period in which the building was constructed, while introducing a more contemporary aesthetic. The studio will remain open throughout the restoration process, which is scheduled for completion mid-April 2018.

About the project, R+B Director of Operations Amanda Christianson, shared, "As we reimagine our LoDo storefront, we are extremely sensitive to the original character of the structure, which was built in 1892 and has a storied history as the home of the E.B. Millar Coffee Company."

In 2013, R+B completed a full tenant build-out of the LoDo Studio, highlighting the historic building's materials and incorporating two conference rooms, studio workspace and a library. Interior materials and details include exposed brick and timber, oak floors and high ceilings with skylights.