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Somerhill Gallery finds new home in Durham

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Somerhill Gallery will be moving from Eastgate Shopping Center in Chapel Hill to the Venable Center in downtown Durham, owner Joe Rowand announced in a release today.

The gallery's new address is 305 S. Roxboro St. It will be located in the "heart of the exciting new frontier of Durham," the release said, near the Durham Bulls Athletic Park, the American Tobacco complex and the Durham Performing Arts Center, opening this November.

Created from a former tobacco shipping and receiving warehouse, the new gallery space will have 9,600 square feet, 14-foot ceilings and more than 40 skylights.

"I am grateful to all the many people of many communities who tried to help us find a new home," said Rowand, whose lease was not renewed in February.

"The community support has been inspiring as well as strengthening in helping us to rise to the occasion and maximize our potential to the new energy of Durham. A town with a historic past and a newly brilliant future. I am proud to be a part of its growth" Rowand said.

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