

Gallery MAR Movin' on Up

New location to offer more space, more artists

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After three years, Main Street's Gallery MAR is on the move, but not too far from home. Gallery owner Maren Mullin will be heading up the street about one block, from her current location inside the Galleria Mall to a street-level space at 436 between Flanagan's Irish Pub and Purple Sage.

The move came after Mullin decided her gallery needed one major upgrade: space.

"I need more room. The gallery is just not big enough, and I've always wanted a big, beautiful space on the street."

She got her wish.

Mullin said the new location will be double the square footage she works in now. Ceiling height would go from 10 feet to 20 feet.

"I think there are a lot of folks who come to Park City who may miss my gallery because it's in this space," she said. "I don't think there will be any chance of that with the new location."

Since August Mullin was making calls trying to figure out how to get into 436 Main Street. December, she'd signed the lease.

And because she likes a challenge, Mullin will be moving into the new space on the first day of the Sundance Film Festival with an anticipated opening date of Feb 1st.

"Obviously it would be easier to move in during the fall, but timing is not my forte," she joked.

For now, Mullin is putting her plans in motion to set up the new location. Flooring and storage systems and added artists and lighting are top points she quickly rattles off as the work ahead of her.

"Let's see. My plan is to fly to California, pick up furniture and fixtures, drive back, pick up all the artwork, hang it, light it and open by February," Mullin said in a breathless string.

Gallery MAR will not only feature more artists to appeal to a wider audience of customers but will also allow for larger pieces and more of them, a fact she hopes may draw in new collectors.

"It really is a dream location for me," she said. "It's a great step up."

For more information about Gallery MAR call (435) 649-3001 or visit www.gallerymar.com.