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## Wine and Art Merge in Napa Valley, and Other News

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### Wine and Art Merge in Napa Valley

A new space in downtown Napa Valley takes the region's signature export and layers it on top of contemporary art. Located on First Street Napa, Serge Sorokko Gallery and Martin Ray Vineyards & Winery Tasting Room marries art and

juice in a one-of-a-kind setting. Showcasing a rotating selection of American and European works alongside exceptional wines from the brand's vineyard, the gallery is a haven for taste in more ways than one.

Internationally recognized talents include Donald Sultan, Ross Bleckner, and Hunt Slonem, as well as the Belgian artist Isabelle de Borchgrave, known for her intricate painted paper sculptures. The 4,500-square-foot gallery and tasting room, designed by architect Craig Steely, features floor-to-ceiling retractable glass walls, glossy white epoxy floors, and striking circular "power" shapes. The centerpiece is the beautifully arched steel wine bar, offering a selection of exquisite varietals on pour. —*Nate Storey*