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MA(i)SONRY NAPA VALLEY ACQUIRES THE I. WOLK GALLERY

(NAPA VALLEY, CA; December 1, 2009)—[Ma\(i\)sonry Napa Valley](http://www.maisonry.com)—the highly acclaimed art, design, and wine gallery in Yountville—announced today the acquisition of the I. Wolk Gallery in St. Helena, as well as the sculpture gardens located at Auberge Du Soleil in Rutherford and MacArthur Place in Sonoma, CA. The I. Wolk Gallery will eventually merge with Ma(i)sonry to serve as Napa Valley’s premier destination for the appreciation of world class works of art and design. The new proprietor, Michael Polenske, will continue to operate the gallery under the I. Wolk name and with the same level of professionalism that I. Wolk collectors and artists have become accustomed to under Ira Wolk’s leadership.

“We are proud to be associated with such a reputable business built on enriching lives through the medium of art,” Polenske says. “While we are fortunate to have this opportunity, we are deeply saddened by the loss of Mr. Ira Wolk. We have worked closely with Mrs. Wolk to create a seamless transition for all involved.”

With the change in ownership, Ma(i)sonry will offer I. Wolk collectors and artists premium communications and service, including access to Ma(i)sonry’s monthly “*Gallery Guide*” curriculum of events and an even greater range of selection in art and design. Ma(i)sonry invites I. Wolk clients to the Yountville gallery this season to view the current exhibition by artist [Manuel Neri](#) and “Chaos” sculptures by [Jedd Novatt](#).

For wine enthusiasts, Ma(i)sonry offers I. Wolk clients the opportunity to taste and acquire limited production, artisan wines from its growing list of vintner partners, including Blackbird Vineyards, Brown Estate, Husic Vineyards, Juslyn Vineyards, Lail Vineyards, L’Angevin Wines, Renteria Vineyards, Rivera Vineyards, Tamber Bey Vineyards, Skipstone, Tor Kenward Family Wines, and Uvaggio.

“It is our intent to make as little change as possible to the I. Wolk Gallery, including the name, daily operations, and the physical space at this time,” comments Polenske. “Our team will be working diligently to make sure the transition of ownership is a positive experience.”

ABOUT MA(i)SONRY NAPA VALLEY

Restored in 2008, this historic 1904 stone building serves as a stylized backdrop for Ma(i)sonry Napa Valley—“a life aesthetic.” As an art, design, and collective wine tasting gallery among an outdoor sculpture garden, Ma(i)sonry offers guests a differentiated lifestyle experience in wine country. Located in Yountville—a world-class culinary, wine, and tourism destination—Ma(i)sonry Napa Valley features a rotating collection of limited-production wines and internationally renowned art and furnishings to appreciate and acquire. Guests are welcome to peruse Ma(i)sonry’s galleries seven days a week, with winter evening appointments until 8pm. www.maisonry.com

ABOUT I. WOLK GALLERY

The I. Wolk Gallery has three locations in the Napa and Sonoma Valleys. The gallery in St. Helena features a large selection of contemporary paintings, works on paper, and small to medium scale sculpture, with exhibitions rotating monthly. The galleries at the luxury resorts Auberge du Soleil in Rutherford and Mac Arthur Place in Sonoma feature over 140 carefully sited medium to large scale sculptures. The I. Wolk Gallery was first established in the Napa Valley in 1990 and is a member of the San Francisco Art Dealers Association. www.iwolkgallery.com

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