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Slumerican Made

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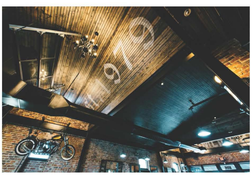
Out of a pile of rubble, Mike Wolfe, star of "American Pickers", teamed up with local hip hop artist, Yelawolf, to bring Yelawolf's trademark brand, Slumerican, to Nashville. Wolfe had trouble finding redevelopment partners when he bought the building a few years ago. Multiple construction firms told him no before we said YES.

Now open, Slumerican provides equal parts barbershop and tattoo parlor. The upstairs space will host art shows, meet-and-greets, private events and other gatherings.

In a recent article with the Tennessean, Yelawolf was quoted saying, "I had the concept for the tattoo-barbershop for almost five years," Yelawolf said. "I've been fishing around for a space. I had a place off Printer's Alley that I went as far as getting blueprints for, then that fell through. We (Wolfe and I) were up in his office (in Marathon Village) signing a deal for this kid Cambo when I told him I was looking for some space. He pointed out the window and said, 'How about that one?'

"It didn't have a roof. It didn't have a floor. But I walked over there and saw the vision."

With its eclectic style and creative vibe, Slumerican is certainly one place you want to go! See the map below for its exact location.



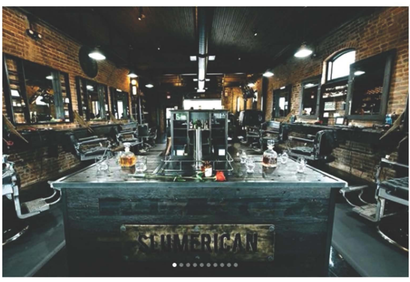
Project Highlights

Southern Accents, an Alabama company, supplied the lumber for the upstairs hardwood floors.

Large steel beams frame the building, which suffered decades of rain and weather damage leading to a collapsed roof which left the interior in disrepair. What is now a hip space upstairs with a picturesque view of Nashville's evolving skyline could not be safely accessed when the rehab project first began.

The large front window that will serve as the storefront for the barbershop and tattoo parlor was bricked up. New brick had to be incorporated with the old brick in several spots.

(Photos: Shelley Mays/The Tennessean & Yelp)

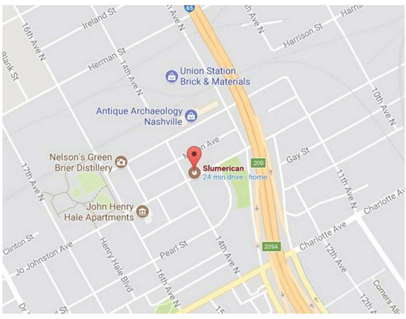


FROM THE PRESIDENT

One of the benefits the construction world offers is the ability to sit back after the project is finished and be able to see, touch, and smell the fruits of our labor. We have had many such experiences and it is quite fulfilling. However, this building, at the corner of Jo Johnston and 13th Avenue North in Marathon Village, has provided us with an enormous sense of pride and an audible "WOW!"

Every other month, we will continue to highlight projects we are proud to be a part of. We hope our newsletters provide a behind-the-scenes look to inform and inspire our readers to visit some of these locations. We look forward to showing you places you will want to go!

- Glynn Dowdle, President of Dowdle Construction Group



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