

Porta & Co. and The Boulos Co. broker Maine Clay Collaborative lease at 65 Hanover St.

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Shown are Sam Dooley and Linda Christen.

Portland, ME Reveler Development in collaboration with Port Property, said that woman-owned, Maine Clay Collaborative has signed a 3,238 s/f seven-year lease for 65 Hanover St. This new clay studio further enhances the commercial offerings of Hanover Works, a residential and retail destination in the city's West Bayside neighborhood.

Peter Gwilym of Porta & Co. represented the landlord and Brice O'Connor of The Boulos Co. represented the tenant.

"We are thrilled to welcome Maine Clay Collaborative to Hanover Works," said Reveler CEO, John Laliberte. "As a company dedicated to building vibrant and inclusive communities, we take pride in fostering spaces where people can live, work, and play." With The Armature just steps away and a growing number of retailers opening their doors, Hanover Works is becoming a true cultural hub in West Bayside. Family-owned small businesses like Maine Clay Collaborative further enrich the area with creativity and community-driven energy."

Maine Clay Collaborative, operated by the mother/daughter duo, Linda Christen and Sam Dooley, will offer a range of creative opportunities for local makers including memberships, workshops, and classes.

The studio will also feature a gallery wall where student work will be featured and available for purchase, and will be an authorized distributor for Sheffield Clay.

"We wanted to create something truly special — a space that is an intentional opportunity to not just shape clay, but also shape community through honest connection that uplifts all individuals," said Linda, co-owner of Maine Clay Collaborative. Her daughter, and co-owner, Sam added, "Art gives us the chance to grow and explore. We are excited to see how this studio helps others to thrive on their creative journeys while contributing to the story of this vibrant neighborhood. Being able to do this alongside my mom makes it even more special."

Maine Clay Collaborative aims to provide a supportive environment for creative expression and artistic development under the values of belonging, curiosity, and sustainability with a mission to engage and inspire the local community.

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