

Kona Bottling Works 1920

From 1920 through 1949 the distinctive 'chuck-chuck-bang' sound of the foot and hand operated soda filling machine came from the downstairs Kona Bottling Works.

For 30 years Kuzamo Akazawa filled the 6.5 ounce bottles with fizzing favorites like lemon and strawberry and distributed them all through Kona by horse and buggy, and later Model Ts.

From the early 30s until 1945 Dr. Seymour's office filled the street frontage we see now. In the 50's the space became Kona Laundry, owned and operated by Ichishita Family. They ran the laundry here, and later in Kailua, for over 60 years. In the mid-60s the building was home to the Pineapple Patch, featuring art & craft goods and Singer sewing products.



Into the 1970s Holualoa Village was becoming a haven for young artists ~ lured by inexpensive rents on the many unused, but classic, buildings. Kim Starr was one of first to transform the building into an art gallery.

Catering to these artists was the next tenant, Country Frame Shop and Gallery.

Darrell and Pat Hill brought their Hawaii Colors Gallery to the building next and Cliff Johns Gallery followed from 2009 through 2013.

In 2014 Mike and Terry Field and property owners Paul and Cassandra Hazen, who also own the Holualoa Inn, refurbished the building for the new M. Field Gallery.



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