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Former Stamford Advocate office, art gallery listed for \$3.5M

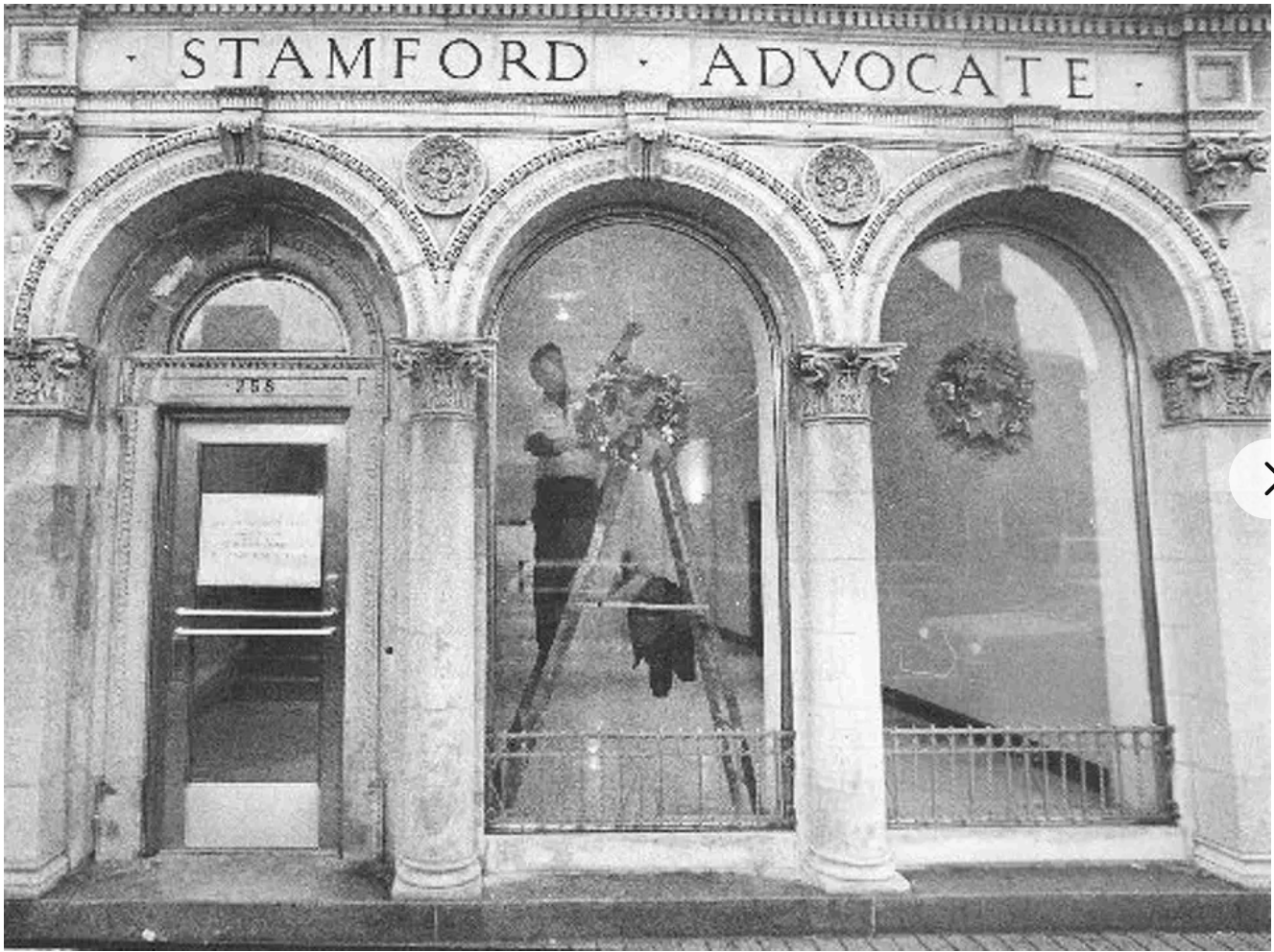
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Once the hub of journalism and [art](#) in Stamford, the historic neo-Italian Renaissance building on [258 Atlantic St. in Stamford](#) has [hit the market](#) for \$3.5 million.



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The office building, which was originally built in 1835 and has a limestone facade, was once a center for Stamford's news industry. In 1894 the [Stamford Advocate newspaper](#), which today is owned by Hearst Connecticut Media, moved its business into the building and it served as both a place for the organization's reporters and staff to gather, as well as home to its printing press, according to previous reporting.



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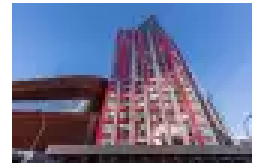
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In 1981, the Stamford Advocate moved out of the Atlantic Street building and into an office on Tresser Boulevard. The space would receive a new purpose when it was sold to art collectors David H. Williams and Reba Williams in 2001 for \$2.7 million. The husband-and-wife duo turned the building into a private art gallery for their collection of over 5,000 pieces, some dating back to the 1800s, according to a [2001 article from the Globest](#). Among the pieces in the collection were works done by famous artists Andy Warhol and Jackson Pollock.



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The art gallery's collection was made available for individuals to view through the Williams' non-profit, the Print Research Found
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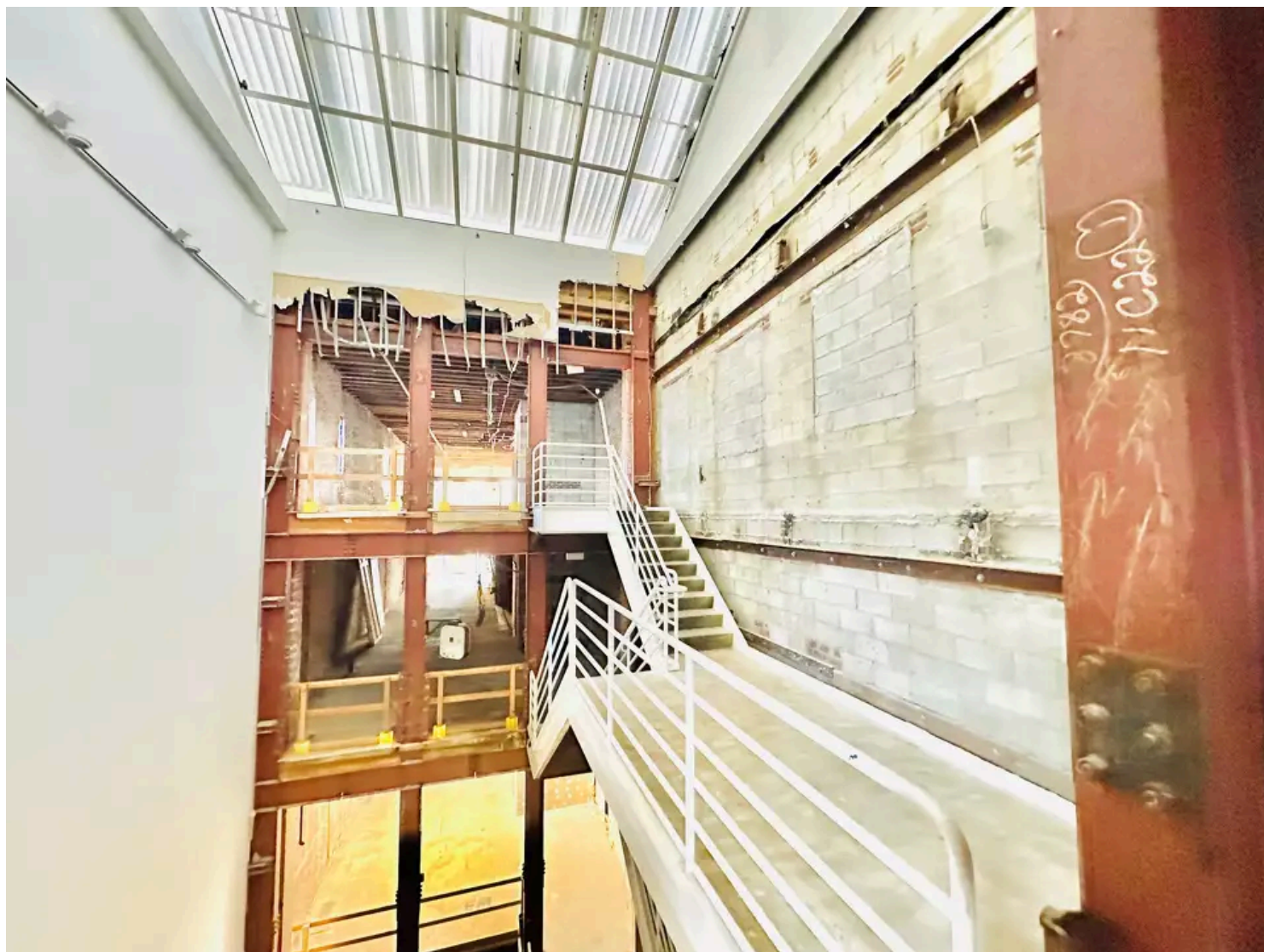
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While the 15,000-square-foot building is no longer home to a printing press or art gallery, it could still have an active future, according to the property's listing agent Jon Magnotta. There are city-approved plans, renovate the property to have a cafe and gym lounge space and office space on the second f entertaining space.



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The new owner would be responsible for implementing the renovation plans. Magnotta added that the current owner removed much of the building's old deteriorating interior while aiming to preserve historical features, including Roman arches, pediments, corbels, carved scrolling and hand-crafted bronze work.

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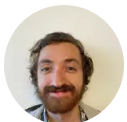
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