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**VIOLA** 1946  
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## **VIOLA INC. MASONRY BUILDING VENTURA, CALIFORNIA**

The prominent mixed-use structure includes a 72-foot radius wall, which is a major focal point upon entry to the building and neighborhood. Several different colors of Concrete Masonry Units (CMU) and textures were considered in the design of the Viola Inc. Masonry Building.

CMU color, finishes and texture variation that included precision, burnished, split face and score split face, helped to showcase all the contrasting architectural features. The exterior block walls were placed in a running bond pattern and comprised of a combination of sizes to create a finely detailed wall composition.

At the base of the building, the wainscot was created by a custom burnished 10-inch block with an offset of 8-inch and chamfered at the top of the block that was burnished on site.

Curved walls of individual straight CMU enhance the character of design. This project is a prime example of how masonry can make the architect's imagination become reality.

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### **Masonry Producer/Supplier**

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