

Willington Bookshop

While remaining a small community, Willington is enjoying new life as a "**Book Town**". The Bookshop and History Center partnership reflects Willington's roots as a village founded on the values of education. In four buildings featuring a variety of genres, visitors can discover books for every reading taste.

Main Building

- Southern Writers
- Cookbooks and Gardening
- History, Biographies, Memoirs
- Art, Travel, Hobbies, Humor
- Children and Vintage

Discovery Annex Reference/Self-Help/Religion

- Archeology to Zoology
- Psychology to relationships
- Writing to speaking aids
- Bible study, theology, inspiration, religious fiction

Once Upon a Crime Annex

- Mysteries
- Thrillers
- Horror

The Book Bank Annex

- Best sellers, trade paperbacks
- Mass paperbacks
- Science-fiction and fantasy
- Westerns

Bookshop Hours

**Hours: Wednesday - Saturday
11:00 am to 3:00 pm**



Specialty Books Include

Religious Books

- Largest collection of any bookshop in SC
- Thousands of used books at bargain prices

New Books on Local History

- Features books by Bob Edmonds and Marion Sturkey
- Includes books on McCormick County, Abbeville, Greenwood, and the Huguenot and Scots-Irish settlers of our area

Explore 40,000 New and Used Books

Most Non-fiction Hard Back Books	\$3.00
Hard Back Fiction Books	\$1.50
Children and Young Adult Books	\$.50 - \$1.00
Paperback Books	\$.50 - \$1.00

Proceeds from the Bookshop support the Willington History Center and help fund maintenance of the Willington buildings.



Proud History and Hopeful Future

The Willington community is committed to preserving our cultural and historical resources. We invite you to discover why people call **Willington** a McCormick County South Carolina treasure.

Willington Bookshop and History Center



Located 11 miles north of McCormick on SC Highway 81

1801 Morrah Bridge Road
McCormick, SC 29835

Bookshop: 864-391-2665
History Center: 864-391-4478

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Historical Dioramas

Genealogy Resources

Local History Files

Historical Dioramas

- The Village of New Bordeaux (1765)
- Fort Charlotte (1775)
- The Willington Academy (1810)

Genealogy Resources

The Willington History Center has books and files that can assist with family research. All resources are for in-house use, but copies can be made.

Resources Include:

- Family Genealogies
- Cemetery Records
- Marriage Certificates
- Deeds
- Wills

The Willington Academy (1804)

Willington was once home to a prestigious boarding school for young men. The Willington Academy was founded in 1804 by Presbyterian minister Dr. Moses Waddel. The rustic setting, combined with a rigorous education, molded many of the South's future leaders, including eleven governors, three U.S. vice presidents, and eight college presidents. The diorama of the school and other artifacts make up a corner of the History Center.

Special Collections

African American History

Four panels describing prominent African American history sites in South Carolina, plus a collection of African American literature.

The Cowan Family String Band

A unique collection of Cowan Family musical instruments and photographs.



Cowan
Family
circa
1900.

The Wright Andrews Country Store

An exhibit of items typical of those sold in Willington stores from 1897-1975. This exhibit honors Wright Andrews, Sr., a Willington store owner from 1933-1975.

Vintage Quilts

Willington quilts date back to the Civil War. The History Center is on the South Carolina Quilt Trail featuring unique heritage quilt pieces transformed into art.

Historic Time Magazines

A special treat for history buffs, the opportunity to browse through a display of Time magazines from 1937 - 1952.

Our History

Daniel P. Juengst Railroad and Post Office Building

- Houses a model village of Willington as a 1915 railroad town complete with working HO scale train and other railroad artifacts.
- Exhibits the original post office boxes, vintage letters, and other postal memorabilia.

"Painting a Brighter Future" Mural

- Displayed in the open breezeway, a collection of twelve mural panels celebrating Willington history.
- Created by McCormick artist Jeffrey Callaham with the assistance of McCormick County students.

African American Cultural Center

Step inside the renovated Green Olive School House to see what a one-room school was like in 1920. Displays include authentic African American artifacts.

Carolina Fence Garden and Gazebo

Utilizing very basic elements, the Carolina Fence™ incorporates both natural and cultural elements designated as symbols of our state. Included are the following items and plants:

- Split Rail Fencing
- Yellow Jasmine
- Blue Granite
- Indian Grass
- Goldenrod
- Carolina Wren House