# New Library Construction in the State of North Carolina Since January 1980: A Listing of Buildings, Architects, and Consultants

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## **About This Listing**

The following listings represent, as far as possible, a compilation of new construction of library buildings of all types (public, school, academic, and special) built or under construction or planned since January 1980 in the state of North Carolina. Where possible, we have tried to include for each new library the name of the library, library director, area of new construction, date of completion, and the names of architects andlibrary consultants who worked on the new library building.

These listings include as their main section listings of new library constructionin the state. In addition, we have added a list of library consultants in the Southeast that we know about, compiled primarily with the help of the *Library Buildings Consultant List*, published by LAMA, the Library Administration & Management Association of the American Library Association (1980). Finally, while we would have liked to have spotlighted each new library with a photograph or drawing, costs and space limitations prevented this. We have settled, instead, on giving a photograph of a few libraries, representative of the different types of libraries in the state.

Most of the new library buildings listed here are for new buildings, or new libraries within new buildings (several of the special libraries fall within this category), or for library additions or remodelings of considerable size. This means we know that we have omitted in the regular listings: the new auditorium addition of the Onslow County Public Library in Jacksonville, the remodeled bank building now occupied by the King Public Library, the Bess Tilson Memorial Library in Weaverville, which is in a remodeled church, the renovation of the Havelock-Craven County Library, and the new renovated Maiden Branch Library in Maiden, N. C. All of these libraries are important, and interesting, in their own right, but we wanted to focus primarily on new buildings and buildings which employed both architects and consultants. Our aim is to give librarians in this state a broad awareness of recent new library construction in this state. Just as importantly, we wanted to list the new libraries, as well as the architects and consultants who worked on them. If any librarian, consequently, is lucky enough to be contemplating a new library building or addition, then he or she will be able to consult these listings, visit the new libraries, and know the architects and consultants responsible for them. Thus the librarian wanting to build could get an idea of everything that has been done recently in library construction in this state, and, presumably, be helped in his or her own building program.

These listings were compiled by consulting with the Division of State Library, Division of Educational Media, and the State Department of Community Colleges. This gave us leads on new public libraries, community college learning resources centers, and school media centers. Past issues of *Tar Heel Libraries* proved very helpful in finding library construction in this state since January 1980, a date arbitrarily chosen to make sure the listings represented recent construction. Beyond this, library directors of all types of libraries across the state were extremely helpful in responding to questionnaires and telephone calls in tracking down as many as possible of other libraries that were not necessarily listed anywhere else, including the architects and consultants who worked on them.

## **Further Resources**

William J. Kirwan's article published elsewhere in this issue of North Carolina Libraries, on "What To Do Until The Architect Comes," we think should prove of interest to all librarians in this connection.

In order to keep up with new library construction and architecture, of course, one further resource is the library architecture issues of Library Journal. Also, in this state, new library buildings are faithfully reported in the various issues of Tar Heel Libraries. The LAMA publication mentioned above is useful for locating some consultants, but not all library consultants by any means are listed therein because the list is self-selecting. Not all came forward. We have tried to supplement this in our listing by reporting the consultants that we know about who have worked on new library buildings in this state recently. We want to mention that the consultants for the school media centers in our listing are either John Brim, present consultant, or Mary Elizabeth Lassiter, past consultant, both of the School Media Programs of the State Division of Education Media in Raleigh. John Brim's article in this issue, on "Planning School Media Centers," gives insight into this process. Finally, there is a publication in North Carolina, North Carolina Architect, published by the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects in Raleigh, which has an issue every year devoted to award-winning buildings in the state; and some of these prove to be libraries, happily enough.

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#### DURHAM COUNTY LIBRARY

This view of the parking lot entrance of the new Durham County Library in Durham shows part of the considerable landscaping around the three story building, dedicated in March 1980

## Addenda to the Listings

We would like to ask the help of our readers in updating or adding to our lists of new library buildings, library architects, and library consultants for those that we have missed. We will publish these additional listings in a later issue of *North Carolina Libraries*.

#### Andrews Public Library

Andrews, North Carolina Nantahala Region Director: Mrs. De Etta Watson Beaver Area of New Construction: 4,890 sq. ft. Cost: \$178,000.00 Date of Completion: January 1981 Architects: Eric W. Townson, AIA, Murphy, N.C.

#### Apex Middle School Media Center

Apex Middle School Apex, North Carolina Media Coordinator: Frances Williams Date of Completion: January 1981 Architects: Shawcroft-Taylor, Raleigh, N.C.

#### Art Library

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514 Director: Philip Rees Volumes in Present Collection: Approximately 40,000 Area of New Construction: c. 11,000 sq. ft. (2 floors) Date of Completion: Fall 1982 Architects: Clark, Tribble, Harris and Li,

#### Athens Community Library

Charlotte, North Carolina

Athens Drive High School (Wake County Public Library/Wake County Public Schools) Raleigh, North Carolina Director: Geraldine McCall Area: Approximately 12,000 sq. ft. Architects: F. Carter Williams, FAIA Raleigh, North Carolina Consultants: Mary Holloway, Wake Public Schools; Val Lovett, Wake County Public Libraries

This is a combined public library and school library located in the Athens Drive High School in Raleigh.

#### **Carol Grotnes Belk Library Addition**

Appalachian State University Boone, North Carolina 28608 Director: Richard T. Barker Area of New Construction: 60,000 sq. ft. Cost: 3.2 million dollars Architects: Clemmer, Bush, Sills, Abernethy Hickory, North Carolina Consultant: Russell Bailey Orange, Virginia Date of Completion: October 24, 1980

#### Dorothy Wightman Library

Duplin County Library Kenansville, North Carolina Director: Roberta S. Williams Area of New Construction: 5,600 sq. ft. Date of Completion: Opened to the public June 29, 1981; formal dedication September 27, 1981 Cost: \$190,000 Architects: Grier-Fripp Associates, Inc. Charlotte. North Carolina

#### **Durham County Library**

300 N. Roxboro Road Durham, North Carolina Director: George R. Linder Area of New Construction: 65,000 sq. ft. Date of Completion: March 17, 1980 Cost: 3 million dollars Architects: Hackney, Knott & Sears Durham, North Carolina Consultants: Bailey and Gardner Orange, Virginia

#### Ferndale Junior High Media Center

Ferndale Junior High High Point, North Carolina Media Coordinators: Anna Gilliam, Peggy Horney Date of Completion: Fall 1982 Architects: Hyatt Hammond & Associates Asheboro and Greensboro, N.C. Consultant: Dorothy M. Haith Forsyth County Public Library Addition 660 W. Fifth Street Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101 Director: William Roberts Volumes in Present Collection: 180,000, room for 350,000 Area of New Construction: 48,000 sq. ft. Date of Completion: October 19, 1980 Cost: 3.5 million dollars Architects: J. Aubrey Kirby Associates, Inc. Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Harris Elementary School Media Center

Harris Elementary School Harris, North Carolina (Rutherford County) Media Coordinator: Lucille Hood Date of Completion: April 1981 Architects: Padgett & Freeman Asheville, North Carolina

Haywood County Public Library Waynesville, North Carolina 28786 Director: Katherine Y. Armitage Area of New Construction: 26,454 sq. ft. Date of Completion: September 1981 Cost: \$1,507,476 Architects: Foy & Lee Associates Waynesville, North Carolina

## Health Sciences Library Addition

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514 Director: Samuel Hitt Volumes in Present Collection: Approximately

185,000 Area of New Construction: 36,000 sq. ft., to be added to present 36,000 sq. ft. Date of Completion: October 1981 Architects: J.N. Pease Associates Charlotte, North Carolina

Cost: 3.8 million

# High Point College Library

High Point College High Point, North Carolina 27262 Director: Larry Kessee Area of New Construction: 43,000 sq. ft. (4 floors) Cost: 3 million dollars Architects: J. Hyatt Hammond Associates Asheboro & Greensboro, North Carolina Consultant: Warren P. Bird Duke Medical Center Library

#### Date of Completion: September 1983

The exterior of the building will be Georgian architecture, but the interior will be constructed with movable walls, and large spaces with few permanent rooms, except offices on the periphery. The present collection is approximately 100,000 volumes. The new library will hold 175,000 volumes.

#### Hunter Library

Western Carolina University

Cullowhee, North Carolina 28723

Director: William Kirwan

- Volumes in Present Collection: 318,000 volumes, 550,000 microforms, 60,000 government documents
- Area of New Construction: 92,000 sq. ft., added to existing building
- Cost: 5.2 million dollars, including renovation of existing space, architect's fees, and movable equipment

Date of Completion: May 1982

Architects: Six Associates

Asheville, North Carolina

- Consultants: General Library Consultant: David Kaser, Indiana University
  - Special Collections: Fraser Poole, Alexandria, Virginia
  - Lighting: William Lam, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Learning Resources Center Anson Technical College Polkton, North Carolina Director: Judith A. Smith Area of New Construction: 5,100 sq. ft. Date of Completion: Late Winter or early Spring 1981/82 Cost: \$250,000 Architects: J.N. Pease Associates Charlotte, North Carolina

## Learning Resources Center

College of the Albemarle

Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Director: Charles Donald Lee

Area of New Construction: Approximately 10,000 sq. ft.

Date of Completion: December 1980 Architect: Leslie N. Boney, AIA

Wilmington, North Carolina The building itself is on two floors, with the main floor devoted to the LRC and the second floor containing classrooms and an auditorium.

#### NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

To be completed approximately by September 1982, this eight-story building will have its upper six stories containing the present 1.5 million volume collection, with the lower two floors being devoted to patron and technical services.



Aerial view shows new library with the Graham Student Union to the left and Lenoir Hall in the upper right. The main reading room with a sloping dormered roof is on the lower right. The large building has been broken up into small elements to approximate the scale of the existing buildings on the old campus.



Ground level view showing the two story Reading Room in the foreground and study lounges to the left.

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#### Learning Resources Center

Southwestern Technical College Sylva, North Carolina Director: Carol Baker Area of New Construction: 12,000 sq. ft. Architect: Jan M. Wiegman, AIA Asheville, North Carolina

#### Mars Hill Public Library

Madison County Public Library Mars Hill, North Carolina Director: Dorothy Huff Area of New Construction: 3,200 sq. ft. Date of Completion: Early December 1981 Cost: Approximately \$155,000 Architect: J. Bertram King, FAIA Asheville, North Carolina

## Morganton-Burke Library Addition

Morganton, North Carolina Director: Mrs. Douglas Barnett Date of Completion: September 1980 Area of New Construction: 10,343 sq. ft. Cost: \$510,000 Architects: Grier, Fripp Associates, Inc. Charlotte, N.C.

#### Mt. Airy Public Library

Northwest Region Mt. Airy, North Carolina Director: Julia Sharp Area of New Construction: 14,000 sq. ft. Date of Completion: March 1982 Cost: 1.5 million dollars Architects: Ed Mazria Albuquerque, New Mexico J.N. Pease Associates

Charlotte, North Carolina This new building, made of granite, is to be a passive solar library. Funding for the library was secured largely through the efforts of Tom Webb, City Grants Administrator for Mt. Airy.

#### New Central Library

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514 Director: James F. Govan Area of New Construction: 430,000 sq. ft. Cost: 22.6 million dollars Architects: Leslie N. Boney, AIA Wilmington, North Carolina Mitchell, Giurgola, consulting architects Philadelphia and New York City

Date of Completion: Approximately September 1982

New Hanover County Public Library 201 Chestnut Street Wilmington, North Carolina 28401 Director: Katherine Howell Area of New Construction: 48,000 sq. ft. now being used, with a 24,000 sq. ft. basement for future use Date of Completion: March 16, 1981 Cost: \$3,232,886 Architects: Jefferies & Faris, Architects Wilmington, North Carolina 28401 Consultants: Hoyt Galvin & Associates Charlotte, North Carolina Michaels Associates, Design Consultants

#### Alexandria, Virginia

In 1979 the County purchased the Belk-Beery building, a department store in downtown Wilmington and renovated it to house the main library.

#### North Carolina Museum of Art Library

North Carolina Museum of Art

Raleigh, North Carolina

Director: Anna Dvorak

Volumes in Present Collection: 16,500 volumes, 17,000 slides, 19,000 photographs

Area of New Construction: 3,500 sq. ft.

Date of Completion: Sometime in 1982

Architects: Edward Durrell Stone and Assoc. New York, New York Holloway-Reeves Raleigh, North Carolina

#### North West Cabarrus Middle School Media Center

North West Cabarrus Middle School Cabarrus County, North Carolina Media Coordinator: Linda Coble Date of Completion: August 1980 Architects: Little and Associates, Inc. Charlotte, North Carolina

## Pembroke Elementary School Media Center

Pembroke Elementary School Pembroke, North Carolina (Robeson County) Media Coordinator: Linda Locklear Date of Completion: May 1980 Architects: Hayes, Howell & Associates Southern Pines, North Carolina

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R. C. Godwin Memorial Library Craven Community College New Bern, North Carolina 27560 Director: Shirley T. Jones (Dean, Learning Resources Center) Volumes in Present Collection: 23,485 Area of New Construction: 29,746 sq. ft. (2 floors) Date of Completion: April 20, 1981 Cost: \$1,465,000 Architect: John N. Peterson, AIA New Bern, North Carolina Consultants: Buffaloe and Associates Raleigh, North Carolina

Randolph Technical College Learning Resources Center Randolph Technical College Asheboro, North Carolina Director: Merrill F. Smith Area of New Construction: 27,000 sq. ft. Date of Completion: July 1980 Architects: J. Hyatt Hammond Associates Asheboro and Greensboro, North Carolina Consultants: John Thomas Davidson County Community College Mertys Bell Guilford Technical Institute Cost: Approximately 1 million dollars

## Rural Hall/Stanleyville Branch Library

Forsyth County Public Library Rural Hall, North Carolina 27045 Director: Libby Hall Area of New Construction: 8,500 sq. ft. Date of Completion: August 1981 Cost: \$200,000 Architect: J. Aubrey Kirby, AIA Winston-Salem, North Carolina Building capacity for 40,000 volumes



#### R. C. GODWIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Learning Resources Center, Craven Community College, New Bern This building, completed in April 1981, has as its architectural focus a center stairwell with a two-story glass wall.

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### ATHENS COMMUNITY LIBRARY Athens Drive High School, Raleigh

View of the children's area of the Athens Community Library in Raleigh. This product of cooperation between the Wake County School System and the Wake County Library is located in the Athens Drive High School.



## VETERINARY MEDICAL LIBRARY

School of Veterinary Medicine, North Carolina State University. Exterior view of the Veterinary Medical Library opened October 1, 1980. The library, on the lower floor, has an open mezzanine of Veterinary School offices above it. Sherrill's Ford Public Library Sherrill's Ford, North Carolina Director: John Pritchard Area of New Construction: 1,375 sq. ft. Cost: \$79,000 Architects: D. Carroll Abee, AIA Hickory, North Carolina Date of Completion: Dedicated April 20, 1980

#### State Legislative Library

Raleigh, North Carolina Director: Vivian Halperen Date of Completion: October 1981 Architects: Ballard, McKim & Sawyer Wilmington, North Carolina Consultant: Edward G. Holley Dean, School of Library Science University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, North Carolina The present Legislative Library in the Legisla-

tive Building will remain open after the new library is completed, to serve as a reference library.

Troy Elementary School Media Center Troy Elementary School Troy, North Carolina Media Coordinator: Ellen Stanley Date of Completion: March 1980 Architects: Hayes-Howell & Associates Southern Pines, North Carolina Consultant: Mary Elizabeth Lassiter

#### Veterinary Medical Library School of Veterinary Medicine North Carolina State University Raleigh, North Carolina Director: Thea Fisher Area of New Construction: 14,000 sq. ft. (on one floor) Date of Completion: October 1, 1981 Architects: Ferebee, Walters & Associates Charlotte, North Carolina Consultant: Ann Kerker Purdue University The library, which will include a media center, will be surrounded by a mezzanine of Veterinary School offices.

#### William Estes Elementary School Media Center

William Estes Elementary School Skyland, North Carolina (Buncombe County) Media Coordinator: Emily McCormick Architects: Six Associates, Inc. Asheville, North Carolina Date of Completion: August 1980

#### Wilson County Public Library (Addition) Wilson, North Carolina

Director: Josie Tomlinson Date of Completion: May 1980 Cost: \$903,536.00

Architectural Consultant: Charles Phillips Winston-Salem, North Carolina

# Some Other Library Consultants in North Carolina

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