

South Carolina History Room

The South Carolina History Room houses a non-circulating collection of books, maps, microfilm and other research materials. Staff members are available for assistance during the Main Library hours of operation.

We have information on South Carolina cities and counties, historical events including wars and battles, historical periods such as colonial and antebellum, information on the numerous ethnic groups in the state and a vast amount of information on city properties.

Sections in the South Carolina Room

- Vertical File Cabinets
- Bound Periodicals — SCR 051
- Biographies — B
- Non-Fiction Subjects including:
 - Religion — SCR 200s
 - State & Local Government — SCR 300s
 - Gardening — SCR 712s
 - Architecture — SCR 720s
 - Literature — SCR 800s
 - South Carolina Genealogy — SCR 929s
 - Military History — SCR 973s
 - State and Local History — SCR 975s
- Charleston Death Card Files
- Map Chests
- Out-of-State Sources — GENEALGY
- Charleston City Directories
- Charleston County Wills
- Current Regional & State Periodicals
- Microfilm Cabinets

Vertical Files are located in 19 filing cabinets and contain magazine and newspaper articles on Charleston County and South Carolina subjects like “bridges,” “buildings” [in Charleston], “churches,” “colleges” “plantations” and “storms.” There are also numerous biographical files that are in surname order. There are two indexes that can be found at the SC Room staff desk.

Charleston Death Card Files for the City of Charleston dating 1819 to 1926 are located in the gray cabinets in the back of the SC Room. Each drawer is in alphabetical order by name and often contain references.

Map Chests are located in the middle of the South Carolina Room containing over 600 highway, nautical, street and topographic maps of Charleston, the surrounding area and all the other counties in the state.

Periodicals can be found in two locations in the room. Our current issues are located beneath the windows with the prior months’ issues placed underneath the shelves. Our older, bound issues are located across from the Vertical File Drawers. (See flip side for a list of some filmed periodicals.)

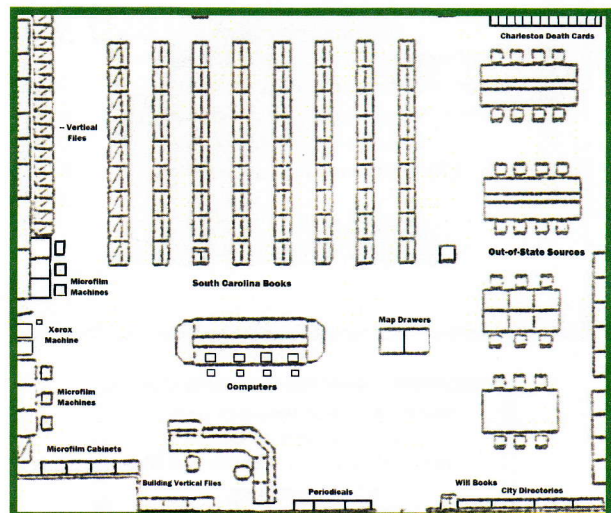
Some bound titles include: *Charleston Magazine*, *Port Charleston*, *Preservation Progress*, *Sandlapper*, *South Carolina Historical Magazine*, *South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research*, *South Carolina Review*, *South Carolina Wildlife* and *Transactions of the Huguenot Society*.

The Post & Courier in all its forms since 1803, can be found in the Periodicals area also on the 2nd Floor.

Out-of-State Sources, on the far right wall of the South Carolina Room, include information for genealogical research for the surrounding states of Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. There are also numerous books on how to research your family tree and others that include early passenger and immigration lists.

Online Database Subscriptions to Ancestry Library Edition, America’s Historical Newspapers & Sanborn Maps.

School Yearbook Collection. This is a random assortment of yearbooks from schools and colleges in the state dating back to the 1920s. Citadel, College of Charleston, High School of Charleston and Porter Gaud, to name a few. Because our yearbooks have been donated by individuals, we do not have every year for every school.



Microfilmed Records are accessible on five microfilm reader/printers available in the room. There are corresponding guides containing pertinent information on what each microfilm series. Here are some of our larger sets of microfilm:

Accounts Audited S.C. American Revolution Service Claims
Birth Records from the Charleston County Health Department, 1877-1926
South Carolina Census Records, 1790-1930
St. John's and St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Records
South Carolina Lowcountry Church Records, 1700s - 1900s
Charleston City Council - Journals, Proceedings and Ordinances
Charleston City Directories, 1782 thru current year (with gaps)
City of Charleston Death Certificates, 1866-1914
Death Records from the Charleston County Health Department, 1819-1926
State Board of Health Death Index, 1915 - 1949
Freedmen's Bureau Records
Magnolia Cemetery Records, 1836 -1979
John McCrady Plat Collection
Memorials of 17th & 18th Century South Carolina Land Titles
Early newspapers including: *The Charleston Mercury*, 1822-1868;
Charleston Times, 1800-1821; *The South Carolina Gazette*, 1732-1786
Charleston Orphan House Records, 1790-1949
Sanborn Maps for 1884, 1888, 1902, 1929, 1944, 1951, 1955, 1967-1973
Service Records of Confederate Soldiers of South Carolina
South Carolina State Plats - Charleston & Columbia Series
WPA Index Tombstone Inscriptions
Charleston & South Carolina Will Transcripts, Estate Inventories
& Miscellaneous Records 1671-1868
Charleston City Yearbooks, 1880-1952

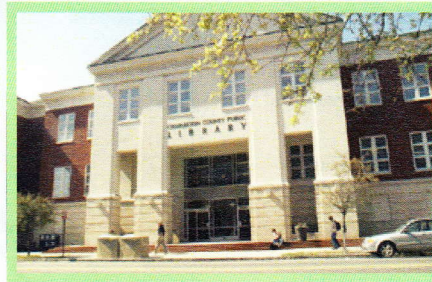
Mission Statement

Our mission is to collect, preserve and make accessible those materials focusing on the history and genealogy of South Carolina, with special emphasis on Charleston and the Lowcountry.

**Finding Aids and Research Guides
are Available on Our
South Carolina Room Website and Blog
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