

BLYTHEWOOD HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

The Museum's Miniatures

Online Exhibit Panel Project

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The Blythewood Historical Society and Museum features two miniature buildings. These replicas were built by Jim McLean, who has served as a board member. The smaller building is a model of the old Post Office, which was built in 1912 by post-mistress Frances A. Powell. As the replica shows, this simple gable roofed building had a wood “parapet” or wall in front of the roof, to make it appear more commercial and to give it added height. Across the front is a little shed roof and platform. The two windows in the front match those on the original building, as does the wood siding, painted white to match. Built with a lot of attention to detail, the miniature features a post office sign on the front. However, on the right side is a match of the old sign from when the building was used as Wilson’s Store in the 1950s. Come visit us in person to see this replica in person. *Photo by Jessica Mejia.*



Situated perfectly to show both the old post office and the Langford-Nord house in the mural behind it, this Train Depot replica is also by Jim McLean. It is a perfect miniature of the 1903 depot that was at the center of town and was so important to the community. Built with wood and a great attention to detail, this replica of the depot even has a platform with cotton bales, which were often shipped from the original depot.