

# Cameron Hall

## Grand Opening Photos

CAMERON HALL



# THE CAMERON LEGACY: COMMUNITY & CELEBRATION



**2025**

In 2017, a structural issue emerged in the east wall of the house because it had separated from the support beams. The Art Center realized while engineering studies determined the building's fate.

Based on these studies, in 2023 MCC made the painful decision to remove the original house but preserve the historic courtyard and create a new venue on the original lot.

Inspired by the spirit and vision of local businessman **Othello Robinson**, generous community friends helped launch a grand new chapter for the historic site with a courtyard restoration and the opening of Cameron Hall in 2025.

Cameron Hall's thoughtful design, along with the restored courtyard, pays tribute to the home's storied history and anticipates the needs of the future. Cameron's original vision, now a gift to all the citizens of Macon.

**1976**

In May and 1976, a Bicentennial project of the **Black Bible League** brought new life to the historic site and provided funding for the **Art Center of Macon**.

The successful Art Center opened in April 1, 1976, and the neighborhood's support led to the purchase of the site for the Art of Arts.

In keeping with its focus on giving and celebration, the restored historic site and courtyard will again feature a variety of art, music, readings, and other community events in the future.

**1966**

In 1966, the historic site was purchased by the **Black Bible League** and the **Art Center of Macon** was established. The site was then used as a community center and a place for the community to gather.

**1939-1962**

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**1922**

In 1922, the historic site was purchased by the **Black Bible League** and the **Art Center of Macon** was established. The site was then used as a community center and a place for the community to gather.

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COMMUNITY CENTER

The Cameron Legacy

Macon's Community Center is a historic site that has been restored and repurposed as a community center. The center is a place where the community can gather and celebrate. The center is a place where the community can learn and grow. The center is a place where the community can make a difference.



# **Donor Event**

**October 16, 2025**











# Community Event

October 21, 2025

# CAMERON LEGACY: COMMUNITY & CELEBRATION



**1976**

In the mid-1970s, a Bicentennial project of the **Waco Junior League** brought new life to the property when it was renovated to provide a home for **The Art Center of Waco**.

The renovated Art Center opened on April 4, 1976, and the nonprofit rented the space from the College for \$10 a year for more than 40 years.

In keeping with its history of gathering and celebration, the rehauled home and courtyard once again hosted untold numbers of social events, weddings, and art-centered activities for families.

**1966**

In August 1966, the Board of Trustees of the newly created **McLennan Community College** purchased 160 acres near Waco. McLennan was required to redevelop the **George family** and the purchase for the College's campus from the George family, and the purchase included the Valley View residence and property.

The groundbreaking for the new campus was held near the home court by the home on July 27, 1966. The one-gabled structure, which had been vacated for several years, then hurriedly served as headquarters for the College's groundbreaking ceremony.

**1939-1962**

The family and the estate of Mrs. M. M. Cameron donated their property to the State of Texas in 1939. The property was then sold to the State of Texas and was used as a site for the new campus of McLennan Community College.

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