Use the Minis Room for Research

First, search the Lane Library’s online catalog:

<gilfind.armstrong.edu>

Start with a keyword search, notice limiters on the left side of the screen, scroll to location and limit to Minis Room.

Next, Contact the Special Collections librarian in order to arrange a time to research in the Collection. Weekdays between 8am and 5pm are generally available and other times can be arranged.

Further Questions? Please ask!

Sample Questions:

- River Street used to be a lonely warehouse district. When and how did it become a lovely place for an evening stroll?
- Any information on X who was associated with this area?
- Any photos/images of X?
- I’m interested in the history of a local business and/or industry.
- I’d like to browse fiction by writers associated with Savannah.
- What was daily life like during the colonial period in Georgia?

Web links:
Lane Library <library.armstrong.edu>
Special Collections
Digitized Inkwells <libguides.armstrong.edu/inkwell>
Digital Library of Georgia <dlg.galileo.usg.edu>
Beginning in 1978 A. Robert Minis Jr. endowed the Minis Room and its Collection in memory of his wife, Florence Powell Minis. Since then, the Minis Room has housed a special collection focused on Savannah and the coastal region.

All aspects of life in Savannah are included: history, education, economic development, religion, art, music, and social customs. Fiction, biographies, picture books, academic dissertations, and children’s books are collected.

The Minis Collection also houses campus publications such as The Inkwell, our student newspaper (1935-). The Inkwell has been partially digitized.

Copies of some Minis Room books may also be available in the main stacks. Savannah history books are found in classification F 294 S2.

**MINIS ROOM SAMPLER**

Titles from the Collection, drawn from more than two thousand volumes:

*Art Work of Savannah* by Charles Olmstead, published in 1893 (Digitized)

*Savannah Biographies* (Partially Digitized)

*Happiness and Hard Times: Oral Remembrances of Savannah* (Digitized)

*Eden on the marsh: an Illustrated History of Savannah* by Edward Chan Seig

*Nowhere but Heaven: Savannah... during ... the First Great Migration* by Elizabeth Gessel

*My Tom Sawyer Town, Savannah, Georgia* by Arthur Gordon

*As Grain Once Scattered: a History of Christ Church, Savannah Georgia, 1733-1983* by Roger K. Warlick

All books in the Minis Collection are listed in the library’s online catalog: http://gilfind.armstrong.edu

**The Negro in Savannah 1865-1900** by Robert Eugene Perdue

**Saving Savannah: the City and the Civil War** by Jacqueline Jones

**The Minis Family of Georgia, 1733-1992** by Kay Kole

**From the Mansion to the University a History of Armstrong...1935-2010** by Janet Stone

Link to digitized materials: <libguides.armstrong.edu/specialcollections>

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