



Charlotte movie theatres and drive-ins

CHARLOTTE AREA

United States of America|North Carolina|Charlotte|City

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

CHARLOTTE

Albermarle Drive-In

? 1950-? 1975

312 cars

Dixie Drive-In Theaters owned this drive-in.

Alhambra

AKA: Piedmont, State

20 N. Tryon

1922-1931

- * 1913 opened as Piedmont
- * 1922 renamed Alhambra
- * 1930 owner: Publix Theater Corp.
- * 1931 renamed State by Wilby-Kinney
- * 1937 closed, the name is moved to another existing theatre on E. Trade St. The Bank of America tower is on the site.

Arboretum Cinemas

8008 Providence

1993-

- * 1993 Opened with 10 cinemas by
- * 1998-2008 owner: Consolidated Theaters, Inc.
- * 2008 taken over by Regal Cinemas
- * Early 2000's renovated with 12 stadium-seating cinemas.



Astor

511 E. 36th St.

1945-? 1975

446 seats

Colonial Theaters Co. owned this theatre in 1950, it had shown movies from the late 1960's until the late 1970's. This is now a concert hall called Neighbourhood.

<http://www.neighborhoodtheatre.com/>



Ayrsley Grand Cinemas 14

9110 Kings Parade Boulevard

2006-



Ballantyne Village Theatres 5

14835 John J. Delaney Drive

March 24th, 2006-

990 seats

This art cinema is owned by consolidated theatres and booked by Landmark Theatres. It was taken over by Regal cinemas in 2010.

<http://www.bvtheatre.com/>



Belvedere

2738 Rozzeli Ferry Road

1955-? 1965

460 seats

This opened as a "Negroes Only" theatre

Broadway

AKA: Fox

209 S. Tryon

1925-? 1955

Owners:

1925-1935 Warner Brothers

1940-1955 Wilby-Kinney

750 seats

Brookdale Drive-In

? 1950

This was an Afro-American drive-in.

Capri

3500 East Independence Boulevard

1964-? 1990

* 1964 opened with a single screen by Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

* Late 1970's 2 cinemas

* Early 1980's 3 cinemas with 1,286 seats in all 3 cinemas.

* 1986 taken over by Carmike Cinemas

* Late 1980's closed



Carolina

224 N Trylon

1927-? 1969

1,495 seats

Owners:

1927-1931 Publix Theater Corp.

1931-1969 Wilby-Kinney



Carolina Pavilion 22

9541 South
May 10th, 1996-
American Multi-Cinemas, Inc. owns this
cinema, which opened with 18
cinemas and four more cinemas were
added in the back by 1998. It is a 5-minute
walk from the Lynx.



Center

1427 E. Morehead
1948-1977
900 seats
Owners:
1948-1950 Meiselman, H. B., Theatres
1955 Stellings-Gossett Theaters, Inc.
1961 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.
1969 Meiselman, H. B., Theatres
1975-1977 Eastern Federal Corp.

Charlotte

123 W. Trade
1925-? 1990
500 seats
B & L Theatres, which owned this theatre
had nothing to do with the B & L Theatres
in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia in
Canada.

Charlotte Drive-In

Hwy 29
? 1945-? 1945

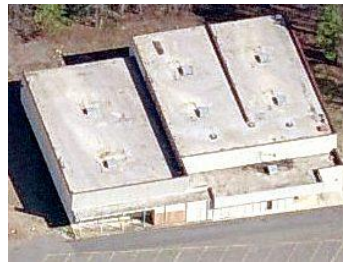
Charlottestown Cinemas I & II

418 S. Independence Blvd
1963-? 1993
Expansions:
3/Late 1970's, 4/Early 1980's
This was owned by General Cinema Corp..



Cinema Blue 2

AKA: Trans-Lux
419 Eastway Drive
? 1976-? 1986
700 seats
This was an adult cinema.



Cinema Grill 3

? 1998-? 2000

Cinema 'n' Draffthouse 2

4120 E. Independence
1982-1991
This was owned by James Duffy.

Criterion

122 E. Trade
1931-1937

Crosspoint 6

? 1990-? 2000
General Cinema Corp. owned this theatre.

Crown Point Stadium 12

AKA: Movies at Crown Point 12
9630 Monroe Road
2009-
This is owned by Carolina Cinemas



Delta 6

8800 WT Harris Blvd E
January 23rd, 1990-2004
Eastern Federal Corp. owned this theatre.



The Friendly Theater

Dilworth

1609 South
1939-1984
526 seats
Cleopatra and The Sound of Music played
here; it burned to the ground on January
10th, 1984.
Owners:
1939-1969 Wilby-Kincey
1975 ABC SouthEast

Discovery Place Omnimax

301 N Tryon
October 16th, 1988-



Eastland Mall I,II & III

5432 Central Ave
1975-? 1998, 2007-November 2008
This cinema closed at its hard to find
location in the mall.
Owners:
1975-1998 General Cinema Corp.
1997-2001 James Duffy (Cinema Grill)
2007-2008 Red Carpet theatres

Epicentre 5

210 E. Trade

<http://www.epicentret heaters.com/>

December 12th, 2008-
900 seats



Fox

AKA: Broadway

209 S. Tryon

? 1956-1958

750 seats

Fox Drive-In

Graybark Av.

? 1964-? 1980

Grand

AKA: Pearl

333 Beatty's Ford

1937-1967

390 seats



Ideal

123 W. Trade

1917-1925

Imperial

124 S Tryon

1919 1964

946 seats

This theatre burned in 1931 and rebuilt and reopened in 1932. It closed when the Park Terrace opened in 1964.

Owners:

1930 Publix Theater Corp.

1940-1964 Wilby-Kincey

Lincoln

408 E 2nd St

1933-1961

494 seats

Bijou Amusement Company owned this Afro-American theatre.

Litchfield 4

? 1990-? 2000

Owners:

1990-1991 Litchfield Theatres and United Artists Entertainment Company partnership

1991-2000 United Artists Entertainment Company

Manor

607 Providence Rd

1946-

760 seats

2 cinemas in 1985

Owners:

1946-1950 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.

1955 Stellings-Gossett Theaters, Inc.

1961 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

1964-1969 Meiselman, H. B., Theatres

1975-2005 Eastern Federal Corp.

2005- Regal Cinemas

This is an art cinema.



Monroe Road Drive-In

Monroe Road

? 1955

Morris

? 1950

Movies at Crown Point

9630 Monroe Rd

? 1985-2009

This opened with 8 cinemas and expanded to 12 cinemas by 2000.

Owners:

1985-2005 Eastern Federal Corp.

2005-2009 Regal Cinemas

Newlight at the Eastland Mall 2

5432 Central Ave

2005-2006

North 21 Drive-In

Route 21

1950

North 29 Drive-In

Route 29

? 1950-? 1975

600 cars

Dixie Drive-In Theaters owned this drive-in.

Ottway

12 N. Tryon St.

1920-1930

800 seats

This was Charlotte's first purpose-built cinema.

Park 51 6

Park Road & N. C.

1982-1998

1,400 seats

Eastern Federal Corp. owned this theatre.

Park Terrace

4289 Park

1964-

3 cinemas by 1990 and 6 in 1995

Owners:

1964-1969 Wilby-Kincey

1975 ABC SouthEast

1980-1986 Plitt

1986-1995 Cineplex Odeon Corporation (U. S.)

2008- Regal Cinemas

This theatre has a time capsule that will be opened on May 11, 2014.



Pearl

333 Beatty's Ford

1928-? 1930

300 seats

The Grand opened on the site in 1937

Phillip Place Stadium 10

4711 Cameron Valley

2000-

Owners:

2000-2008 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.

2008- Regal Cinemas



Piedmont

20 N. Tryon
1913-1922
* 1913 opened as Piedmont
* 1922 renamed Alhambra
* 1931 renamed State by Wilby-Kinney
* 1937 closed, the name is moved to another existing theatre on E. Trade St.
The Bank of America tower is on the site.

Pineville Road Drive-In

Pineville Road
? 1955-? 1961
302 cars

Plaza

1610 Central
1944-1988
492 seats
Owners:
1945 B & L Enterprises
1950-1975 B & L Enterprises
1985 Piedmont Theatres
This theatre had shown adult movies in the 1970-1980's.

Princess

123 W. Trade
1913-1917

Queen Drive-In

? 1964-? 1980
Howell Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre 1975-1980.

Queen Park 6-Plex

3700 South
1982-1998
2,100 seats
Piedmont Theatres owned this theatre. It was demolished in December 2006.

Regency

6434 Albemarle
1975-? 1998
* 1975 opened as a twin by Eastern Federal Corp.
* Late 1970's 3 cinemas
* Early 1980's 4 cinemas with 1,478 seats.
* Around 1998 closed

Rex

AKA: Lincoln
408 E 2nd St
1930-1933
400 seats

Ritz

? 1964-? 1975
Bijou Amusement Company owned this theatre.

Royal

AKA: Savoy
508 S McDowell
? 1930-1935
Bijou Amusement Company owned this theatre.

Savoy

508 S McDowell
1935-1963
425 seats
Bijou Amusement Company owned this theatre.

South 21 Drive-In

Route 21
? 1955

South 29 Drive-In

Route 29
? 1950-? 1985
300 cars
Owners:
1950-1964 Dixie Drive-In Theaters
1985 Piedmont Theatres

South Park I & II

4400 Sharon
1970-? 2000
3 cinemas in the early 1980's with 1,224 seats. It was owned by General Cinema Corp.

Starlight 14

11240 N Tryon
1997-
Owners:
1997-2005 Eastern Federal Corp.
2005- Regal Cinemas



State

AKA: Strand
122 E. Trade
1937-? 1950
645 seats
Wilby-Kinney owned this theatre.

State

AKA: Piedmont, Alhambra
20 N. Tryon
? 1931-? 1937
* 1913 opened as Piedmont
* 1922 renamed Alhambra
* 1931 renamed State by Wilby-Kinney
* 1937 closed, the name is moved to another existing theatre on E. Trade St.
The Bank of America tower is on the site.

Stonecrest at Piper Glen & IMAX 22

7824 Rea
2000-
This is the first Regal cinema in Charlotte. An IMAX screen was added in 2011.



Strand

AKA: State
122 E. Trade
1918-1931
Wilby-Kinney owned this theatre in 1930.

Thomasville Highpoint Drive-In

? 1950

Thrift Road Drive-In

Thrift Road
? 1955

Thunderbird Drive-In

5448 N Tryon
? 1975-? 1980
ABC SouthEast owned this theatre in 1975.

Town and Country Six

Harris Blvd. & N. C.
1985-? 1995
1,752 seats
Owners:
1985 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.
1990-1995 Carmike Cinemas

Towne 6

8640 University City
? 1998 ? 2000

Trans-Lux I & II

AKA: Cinema Blue

419 Eastway Drive
1970-? 1975

Brandt Theatres of New York City owned this Trans-Lux theatre.

Tryon

117 S Tryon
1938-? 1955

525 seats

Blumenthal Circuit owned this cinema. It was the last theatre built downtown.

Tryon Mall

4500 N Tryon
? 1975

ABC SouthEast owned this theatre.

Tryon Mall 4

4500 N Tryon
1984-1998

1,000 seats

Piedmont Theatres owned this theatre.

University Plaza Cinema Six

8925 JM Keynes
1985? 2000

1,560 seats

Owners:

1990 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.

1995-2000 Carmike Cinemas



Viking Twin Drive-In

? 1975-? 1980

Consolidated Theaters, Inc. owned this drive-in.

Village

3057 Freedom Drive
1966-? 1990

2 cinemas in the late 1970's.

This was the last single-screen cinema to be built in Charlotte.

Owners:

1966-1986 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

1986-1990 Carmike Cinemas

Visulite

1615 Elizabeth Av.
1938-? 1955

500 seats

This theatre had rear projection.

Owners:

1940 White, J. F., Jr., Circuit

1945 B & L Enterprises

1950 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.



York Drive-In

York Road

? 1950-? 1975

350 cars

B & B Theatre Corp. owned this drive-in

1961-1975.

CORNELIUS

Movies at the Lake 12

20310 Chartwell Drive
1994-2004

Opened by Eastern Federal Corp. with 8 cinemas in 1991 and expanded to 12 cinemas in 1994. This cinema is now known as the Waltrip Racing World. One of the cinemas will be kept to show racing films.



Palace Cinemas 12

8325 Copely Drive
2000-2004

This theatre closed when it could not keep up with the Movies at Birkdale 16, which is a mile away.



Star

? 1945-? 1950
260 seats

State

? 1990

DAVIDSON

Davidson

? 1930-? 1955
450 seats

Davidson Drive-In

? 1961-? 1980
350 cars

Moorsville Drive-In

? 1950

Our Town Cinemas 4

Sadler Square www.ourtowncinemas.com
December 25th, 2009-

HUNTERSVILLE

21 Drive-In

? 1950

Main

Closed by 1945

Movies at Birkdale 16

16950 Birkdale Commons Pkwy
May 2001-
Owners:
2001-2005 Eastern Federal Corp.
2005- Regal Cinemas



Myrmax

? 1950-? 1955
233 seats

Northlake 14

7325 Northlake Mall Drive

2005-

American Multi-Cinemas, Inc. owns this cinema.



MATTHEWS

Matthews Festival 10

10404 E Independence
1987-2000

Owners:

1987-1995 Cineplex Odeon Corporation (U. S.)

1995-2000 Carmike Cinemas

This is a "jewelbox" theatre built by Cineplex Odeon.

Movies 10

9508 Northeast Ct

August 1995-

Cinemark owns this cinema, which charged only \$1.50 in 1995.



PINEVILLE

Pineville

? 1940

State

? 1945-? 1955

300 seats

Tower Festival I-VIII

1986-1998

2,230 seats

General Cinema Corp. owned this theatre.



CABARRUS COUNTY

CONCORD

[Airport Drive-In](#)

Hwy 73

? 1950-? 1975

300 cars

Cabarrus

? 1940-? 1969

1,056 seats

Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre.

Carolina 4

? 1980-? 1985

Litchfield Theatres owned this theatre in 1985.



[Carolina Drive-In](#)

Hwy 29a

? 1950-? 1975

200 cars

Carolina Mall 8

120 Country Club Dr NE

1987-

Owners:

1987-2002 United Artists Entertainment Company

2002-2006 Regal Cinemas

2006- Southeast Theatres



Center

? 1955-? 1964

Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre.

Cinema

? 1969-? 1975

Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre.

Clear Springs 6

929 S hwy 29

? 1995-? 2000

Piedmont Theatres owned this theatre.

Concord

? 1930

Amusement Enterprises (North Carolina) owned this theatre.

[Concord Drive-In](#)

? 1950-? 1955

Concord Mills & IMAX 24

8241 Concord Mills

September 17th, 1999-

American Multi-Cinemas, Inc. owns this cinema. An IMAX screen was added in 2010.



Lincoln

? 1950-? 1955

325 seats

New Piedmont

? 1920

[Newton Conover Drive-In](#)

? 1955

Paramount

Main St.

? 1935-? 1955

634 seats

Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre 1935-1950.

Pastime

Main St.

? 1935-? 1955

350 seats

[Poplar Drive-In](#)

? 1980

Roxie

? 1930
Amusement Enterprises (North Carolina)
owned this theatre.

Roxy

? 1950-? 1955
400 seats
This was an Afro-American theatre.

Star

3 N Union

Star-Lite Drive-In

? 1950-? 1975
200 cars
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned
this drive-in in 1969.

State

3 N Union
? 1935-? 1980
200 seats
Holton Circuit owned this theatre 1961-
1980.

Theatorium

3 N Union
? 1908

Willis Drive-In

? 1930-? 1930
302 cars
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned
this theatre 1969-1975.

KANNAPOLIS

Colonial

? 1940-? 1955
805 seats
Owners:
1950 Everett, H. H., Enterprises
1955 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

Dixie

606 S. Main
? 1940-May 31st, 1957
542 seats



Gem

111 W 1st St
December 31st, 1936-
1,100 seats
Renovated after a fire in 1942 and rebuilt
and reopened on March 15th, 1948
<http://www.gem-theatre.com/>



Main

Cannon Blvd
? 1955

Palace

540 E. C St.
? 1940-? 1965
300 seats
This was an Afro-American theatre



Park-In Drive-In

? 1950-? 1985
450 cars
Owners:
1950 Everett, H. H., Enterprises
1955-1985 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

Pastime

? 1930

Swanee

200 W. Avenue
? 1945-? 1955
587 seats
This is now the Kannapolis visitor center.



Trans-Lux

1970-? 1975
Brandt Theatres owned this cinema.

Y.M.C.A.

? 1930-? 1935

MIDLAND

Midland Drive-In

? 1955

GASTON COUNTY

BELMONT

Beaufort

? 1964

Belmont Drive-In

314 McAdenville
<http://belmontdrivein.2omegfree.com/>
? 1950-
289 cars
Consolidated Theaters, Inc. owned this
drive-in 1955-1980.



Gay

? 1945-? 1955
300 seats
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre in 1955.

Gem

Catawba St.
? 1940-? 1955
464 seats
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre in 1955.

Iris

S Main
? 1935-? 1955
365 seats
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre in 1955.

Majestic

? 1935

Royal

? 1945

BESSEMER CITY

Bessemer Drive-In

? 1964-? 1985

Buddy

? 1945-? 1950

Falls

? 2005

Rex

? 1935-? 1945

Roxie

? 1930-? 1955

CRAMERTON

Midway

? 1935-? 1945

Victory

? 1945-? 1955
400 seats
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre in 1955.

DALLAS

Lyon

? 1950-? 1955

GASTONIA

Carolina

1212 W. Franklin
? 1940-? 1955
475 seats
Owners:
1940 White, J. F., Jr., Circuit
1945 Everett, H. H., Enterprises
1950 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.

Center

AKA: Ideal, Temple
157 W. Main
? 1960-1976

Diane 29 Drive-In

? 1955-? 1985
2 screens in the late 1960's
Consolidated Theaters, Inc. owned this drive-in 1961-1980

Eastridge Cinemas

246 N. New Hope Road
March 12th, 1976-? 1998
Opened as a twin in 1976 and expanded to 4 cinemas in the late 1980's.
Owners:
1976-1982 Martin Theatres
1982-1998 Carmike Cinemas

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SHOWS:
2:00
3:50
5:40
7:30
9:20

Friendly Drive-In

? 1950-? 1961

The Ultra-Vision Theatre

Gaston Mall

401 Cox
January 16th, 1971-? 1975

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Gaston Mall
BOOKING SERVICE

Gastonia Drive-In

? 1955-? 1975

Ideal

AKA: Center, Temple
157 W. Main
? 1940-? 1945

Litchfield Cinema 4

? 1990 2000
United Artists Entertainment Company
owned this theatre.

Loray

1212 W. Franklin
? 1935

Lyric

127 W Main
1926-? 1955
624 seats
Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre 1940-1950.

Monte Vista Drive-In

705 Myrtle School
? 1955-? 1980
Queen City Booking Service owned this theatre in 1955.



Movies at Franklin Square 14

3778 E Franklin
December 11th, 1998-
Owners:
1998-2005 Eastern Federal Corp.
2005- Regal Cinemas



New
? 1940-? 1945

Palace
? 1950-? 1955
499 seats
This was an Afro-American theatre.

Ritz
? 1945

State
217 W Main
? 1940-? 1950
424 seats

Sunset Drive-In
? 1955-? 1975

Temple
AKA: Centre, Ideal
159 W Main
? 1940-? 1961
732 seats
Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre.

Tower Drive-In
? 1950-? 1955
Consolidated Theaters, Inc. owned this drive-in.

Village
? 1969-? 1985
2 cinemas in the late 1970's.
Owners:
1969-1975 Schneider-Merl
1980-1985 Martin Theatres

Watertower 10
284 E Garrison
? 1985-? 1998
Owners:
1985 Litchfield Theatres
1990-1998 *pt



Webb
182 South
1928-? 1978
800 seats

KINGS MOUNTAIN

Bessemer City Drive-In
1365 Bessemer City Road
? 1950-



Dixie
Railroad Ave.
? 1940-? 1955
550 seats

Imperial
Mountain St.
? 1930-? 1955
600 seats

Joy
? 1950-? 1955
772 seats

Palmetto
Depot St.
? 1955

LOWELL

Rocky
? 1950

MOUNT HOLLY

Gaston
? 1935-? 1969
400 seats
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre 1955-1969.

Holly
? 1935-? 1955
300 seats
Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre in 1955.

Lyric
? 1930

Moonlite Drive-In
? 1955-? 1975
Carolina Booking Service owned this drive-in.

Paramount
? 1940

SPRINGDALE

Tri Cities Drive-In
? 1950
370 seats

STANLEY

Stanley
? 1950-? 1955

LINCOLN COUNTY

LINCOLNTON

Century
E. Main
? 1945-? 1980
794 seats
Owners:
1950-1969 Miller Circuit
1975-1980 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

Cinema

1700 N Aspen St at starlight

? 1980-

* Late 1970's opened as a twin by Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. on the site of the Starlight Drive-In

* 1986 taken over by Carmike Cinemas

* Late 1980's 4 cinemas

* 1996 8 cinemas

* 2007 digital projection installed in all cinemas.



Friendly Drive-In

? 1950-? 1955

Grand

? 1935-? 1945

Miller

? 1950-? 1955

Listed in 1950 and 1955 as "to be built" under the Miller Circuit heading.

Rivoli

E. Main

? 1935-? 1969

300 seats

Owners:

1935 Hickory Amusement Company

1940-1969 Miller Circuit

Roseland Drive-In

? 1950-? 1980

Starlight Drive-In

1700 N Aspen St at starlight

? 1950-? 1980

Owners:

1950-1969 Miller Circuit

1975-1980 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

ROWAN COUNTY

CHINA GROVE

China Grove

Main St.

? 1940-? 1950

370 seats

Welcome

? 1930-? 1935

LANDIS

Landis

? 1950-? 1955

350 seats

Legendre Circuit owned this theatre in 1950.

Plaza Drive-In

? 1950-? 1955

ROCKWELL

Rockwell

382 seats

? 1945-? 1955

SALISBURY

Capitol

123 W. Innes

? 1930-? 1975

850 seats

Owners:

1930-1969 Wilby-Kincey

1975 ABC SouthEast

Center

AKA: Towne, State

213 S. Main

? 1961-? 1980

This is now a live theatre called Meroney theatre. It was owned by Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.



Hitching Post Drive-In

? 1950-? 1955

Hiway 601 Drive-In

? 1955-? 1975

400 cars

Joe's Drive-In

? 1961-? 1975

400 cars

Ritz

? 1950-? 1955

Booker T. Theatres owned this Afro-American theatre.

Rowan Cinema 3

Statesville Blvd

? 1990

Salisbury Drive-In

? 1950-? 1975

225 cars

Queen City Booking Service owned this theatre in 1955.

Salisbury Mall Cinema 6

1951 Statesville Blvd

? 1990-

About the Mall from deadmalls.com

In Salisbury, NC stands Salisbury Mall which I would estimate to be about a 120,000 Square Foot mall. I moved to Salisbury in 2001 and the mall was very much in disrepair. Occupancy was under 50% and all three anchors (Belk, Goody's, JC Penney) seemed to be experiencing extremely slow traffic. The interior of the building appeared original and poorly kept featuring dirty brown brick walls and extremely dingy small yellow/brown tile. The parkinglot was also in disrepair and the former Salisbury Mall Cinema was boarded up and looked about ready to collapse.

However, in 2003 developers bought the mall and claimed that they were going to make it "the place to be in Rowan County". I really thought it was no more than a ploy to try and get people to come back to shop a little before tearing the place down for a Wal-Mart or some such thing. Fortunately I was wrong. They began a major restoration effort in late 2003 and it has now been completed. The company smartly left the exterior of the building original as it is not a bad looking mall and only changed it at the main entrance. The change they made was definitely for the better! They installed a fairly impressive statue/fountain at the entrance and brought in a very nice sports bar/steak house at that entrance and created a new facade for the restaurant. That addition alone brought many people and some much needed life to the old mall. The steak house stays packed and brings in many patrons during sporting events. It really was a wonderful idea to breathe life into the old mall.

After those two additions they turned to the interior and they have done a wonderful job!

There was only one empty storefront on my last visit and it even appeared to be readying for a new tenant. The dingy tile was replaced with very nice bright marble looking tile and the nice sized fountain in the food court was restored to brilliance. New stores have come in at a great pace and include a Great American Cookie Co/TCBY in the food court, Tuesday Morning, Books-A-Million and even an indoor miniature golf course that has been a big hit. This has also breathed life back into all three anchors and the mall parking lot stays very full with long walks to the door especially on weekends.

I thought you might find this story interesting as some creative techniques were used to breathe life into this dying mall with great success. I guess not all of these older, smaller malls have to fall to the hands of the new giants.

State

AKA: Center, Towne

213 S. Main

725 seats

? 1940-? 1955

Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre.

Strand

? 1925-? 1940

Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre 1930-1935.

Terrace

? 1975-? 1990

2 cinemas in the late 1970's/

Owners:

1975 ABC SouthEast

1990 Premiere Cinemas Corporation

Thunderbird 601 Drive-In

? 1980

Thunderbird Drive-In

? 1975

ABC SouthEast owned this drive-in.

Tinseltown USA 14

305 Faith Road

1998-

Cinemark owns this cinema.



Towne Cinema 1 & 2

AKA: Center, State

213 S. Main

? 1985-? 1990

Owners:

1985-1986 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

1986-1990 Carmike Cinemas

Victory

103 S. Main

657 seats

? 1930-? 1955

SPENCER

Spencer

? 1935-? 1950

500 seats

UNION COUNTY

INDIAN TRAIL

Sun Valley Commons 14

2012

2,800 seats

This is being built by Stone Theatres



MARSHVILLE

Blair

Main St.

? 1940-? 1955

405 seats

Majestic

? 1935

MONROE

Center

120 S. Main

February 9th, 1940-December 1991

875 seats



Lincoln

? 1935

Monroe

? 1950-? 1955

Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre in 1955.

Monroe Drive-In

? 1950-? 1955

New Monroe Drive-In

? 1961-? 1980

125 cars

New Super Drive-In

? 1961-? 1980

200 cars

Pastime

? 1935-? 1955

200 seats

State

? 1940-? 1955

300 seats

Wilby-Kincey owned this theatre 1945-1950.

Strand

? 1930-? 1935

Union Square Cinema 8

1911 Dickerson

? 1998-

Owners:

1998-2008 Consolidated Theaters, Inc.

2008- Regal Cinemas



Village Cinemas

? 1980-? 1990

Opened as a twin by Consolidated Theaters, Inc. and expanded to 4 cinemas in the early 1980's.

WAXHAW

Waxhaw

? 1945-? 1955

257 seats

WINGATE

[Moonlite Drive-In](#)

? 1950-? 1964

200 cars

YORK COUNTY

FORT MILL

Center

? 1950-? 1969

Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre.



Majestic

Confederate St.

? 1935-? 1950

450 seats

ROCK HILL

[Auto Drive-In](#)

? 1955-? 1975

300 cars

Capitol

110 E. Main

? 1935-? 1950

359 seats

Carolina

124 N. Trade

? 1935-? 1955

420 seats

Carver

323 W. Main

? 1950-? 1955

This was an Afro-American theatre.

Cinema

2150 N Cherry Rd

? 1964-

* Early 1960's opened as a single screen cinema by Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. and twinned in later years.

* Early 1980's 4 cinemas

* 1986 taken over by Carmike Cinemas

* Late 1980's 7 cinemas



[Fort Roc Drive-In](#)

? 1950-? 1980

200 cars

Galleria Mall 8

2301 Dave Lyle Blvd (freestanding building at the back of the mall)

1990-2001

Regal Cinemas owned this cinema, which had been demolished by 2006.



Imperial

? 1925

B. W. Bradford owned this theatre.

[Main Street Drive-In](#)

? 1975

Manchester 12

1935 Cinema Dr

November 2000-



Mini Cinema

? 1990

Omar

? 1930

Palmetto

? 1920

Pix

147 W. Oakland

1940-? 1985

627 seats

Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this theatre 1980-1985.

Rock Hill Drive-In

? 1955-? 1969

350 cars

Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc. owned this drive-in in 1980.

Stevenson's

109 E. Main

? 1930-? 1964

540 seats

Owners:

1935-1950 Stevenson Amusement Co.

1955-1964 Stewart & Everett Theaters, Inc.

Winthrop College

? 1935-? 1955

420 seats

YORK

Hollywood

? 1935

Sylvia

27 N. Congress

<http://www.sylviatheater.com/>

? 1940-

This theatre is now a concert hall that show movies on a part-time basis.



York Drive-In

? 1955-? 1975

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