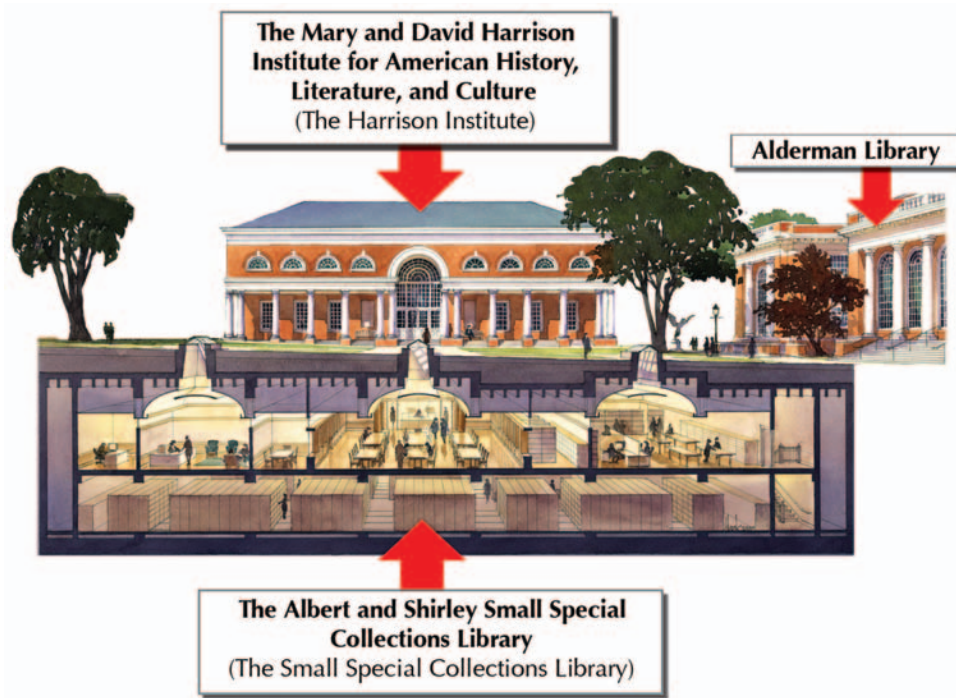


Fact Sheet: The U.Va. Library's New Building



Basics:

- The U.Va. Library's newest facility, a 72,000-square foot building that meets two needs: 1) space for special collections and 2) space for collaborative research, programs, and events for the University community.
- Has two names: 1) one for the special collections library part of the building, and 2) one for the programs, seminars, and events part of the building.
- Opening in stages as construction is completed, starting with the Albert Small Special Collections Library.
- Final completion scheduled for mid-November.
- Size: 72,000 square feet: two stories above ground, two stories below. 80% of the building is underground.
- Cost: \$10 million in state funds, \$16 million in private funds.
- Architect: Hartman-Cox (Washington, DC)
- Builder: Skanska USA, Inc. (Raleigh, NC)
- Landscape Design: Oehme, van Sweden & Associates (Washington, DC) and Office of the University Architect. Landscape designed to create an accessible, interesting, open space for the community.
- Alderman Library's historic McGregor Room, formerly the home of special collections, will be restored as a quiet reading room for students and the community in 2005.



Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library

- New home for University's special collections: 300,000 rare books, 12 million manuscripts, 4,000 maps plus the University archives, photographs, and other treasures.
- Named for University alumnus Albert H. Small and his wife, Shirley.
- 58,000 square feet in two floors underground.
- 12 miles of shelving, enough for the current collection with room for growth.
- New reading room as well as expanded areas for processing rare materials.
- State-of-the-art climate control, fire suppression, and retrieval systems.
- When construction is completed in November, will house the Albert H. Small Declaration of Independence Gallery, a permanent space to display Mr. Small's collection of rare materials related to that period in American history.

Mary and David Harrison Institute for American History, Literature, and Culture

- The part of the building you see above ground, plus a 200-seat auditorium.
- Named for University alumnus David Harrison and his wife, Mary.
- Encourages use of Special Collections—particularly of the Library's rich resources in American history, literature, and culture— by providing space for collaborative research, programs, and events.
- Has two seminar rooms, an information desk, galleries for exhibits, and studies for visiting scholars.
- Examples of Harrison Institute programs: exhibits of Special Collections treasures, conferences, readings, and lectures.

What to Call the New Building

Formal Name	Second Reference	Short-Hand/Nickname
Mary and David Harrison Institute for American History, Literature, and Culture and Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library	Harrison Institute/Small Special Collections Library	Harrison/Small
Mary and David Harrison Institute for American History, Literature, and Culture	Harrison Institute	Harrison
Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library	Small Special Collections Library	Small Library

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