

THE BRICK ROOM

SALISBURY, MARYLAND

Built in 1900, as a two-story, 1,500 square foot structure, the original footprint of 116 North Division Street was expanded shortly after construction with the addition of a third floor and additional space in the rear which doubled the square footage to 3,000 square feet. The building was formerly known as the Williams Building, as Williams Law was the original occupant. The property sat mostly vacant for decades prior to Gillis Gilkerson taking ownership in 2013, as part of a larger redevelopment effort with the adjacent building known as 118 - 120 North Division Street.

Gillis Gilkerson's development team worked to transform the ground-floor of the three-story building into a vibrant bar/tavern now known as the Brick Room, with Gillis Gilkerson development principal Chris Gilkerson working hand in hand with operator Alex Scott to get the enterprise up and running. Construction of the interior fit-out began in 2014, with a goal to create a one-of-a-kind experience that was welcoming to all yet exclusive in look and feel. Starting with demolition and restoration, existing architectural details were painstakingly restored, and reclaimed into the design, including exposed brick walls, refurbished wood textures and original window arches. Edison bulbs, and hand-painted vintage signage gives the space a throwback feel with modern touches, complete with a bar top that features historic photos of downtown. Every detail was carefully considered.

Originally, The Brick Room opened occupying the first floor of 116 North Division Street, but it's popularity quickly lead to expansion efforts. First, two interior connections were made to allow the space to expand into the first floor of 118 North Division, the building next door, effectively doubling the interior space, and allowing for an additional restroom space to be added. Next, the establishment expanded into the vacant alleyway, creating an inviting outdoor gathering space complete with fire pits, vertical garden walls, a custom iron entry gate and plenty of seating for patrons to enjoy the ambiance of the alleyway that is filled to the brim with architectural interest. The addition of the outdoor area is just the latest upgrade to The Brick Room, stay tuned for whats next to come.



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