

Map It!

James Simpson's Salem, 1802

Early Salem was a community of a few homes, shops, inns, and trades people (like blacksmiths). Imagine downtown Salem with dirt roads, and no traffic lights or lights of any kind. People walked and rode horses. Travelers passed by in wagons or stage coaches.

	Susanna Cole buys the first two lots in Salem					
						Roanoke Street
Union Street	Cherry Alley	Water Street	White Oak Alley	unnamed street		Another interesting early landowner was Roderick Bane. In 1813, Salem expanded a few blocks to the east, and in 1818, Bane bought two lots. One was near Macado's and the other near Mac 'n Bobs. With this purchase, Bane became the first black landowner in Salem. Very little else is known about him.

Downtown Salem, 2020

Academy Street			Farmers Market	Red Lane	Salem Presbyterian Church	Which streets have different names today? Which ones stayed the same? One other original street name from early Salem (1829) is still in use today: Strawberry Alley. Look for it next to Mac 'n Bobs.
						Main Street
Union Street	Cherry Alley	Salem Motor Lofts	Broad Street	Salem Public Library	St. Pauls Episcopal Church	Market Street
						Be like James Simpson, and make your own town! Draw some streets and give them names. Then add some buildings. Put a sign on each one to tell what they are.