

# Wrap Around Winfield

Artist: Marjorie Hall Bicker with assistance from Claudia Lawson

Location: 208 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Joe's Carpet Warehouse



The old station master's house which is next to the warehouse was the River's Edge Gift Shop. It became an inspiration for the mural. The original thought was to make the warehouse "disappear." First, a working model was constructed and presented to Floid McCord, the owner, for his approval and input. The mural was then begun in June of 1997 and completed in August of 1998. Well over 14,000 square feet are covered by this mural. Marjorie was joined by Claudia, who painted many of the animals. Several school children were also able to lend their hand on the mural. To add a special feature, Floid's grandchildren, horses and dogs were included in the mural. If you look closely, you will see the train enter on the West, travel "through" the building, and exit on the East near the water tower and tracks that Floid added for realism. There's even smoke coming out. Several local merchants also became involved in the project by having their "stores" painted on the mural. The warehouse disappeared into a colorful Winfield mural.

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