Founded in 1896, the Washington D.C. Public Library's stated purpose is to "furnish books and other printed matter and information services convenient to the homes and offices of all residents of the District."
The D.C. Public Library was in need of additional space. Their collection of materials was growing faster than their expansion plans. The library turned to Williams-Scotsman and Whitley Manufacturing to provide a modular solution to the space issue. The project needed to be completed quickly so as to minimize the disturbance to the existing library buildings. In addition, the interior needed a stylish and “modern” look.

Williams-Scotsman and Whitley Manufacturing collaborated on the design of the 4,300 square foot building. The building has a sleek modern feel on the interior with exposed trusses and ductwork along with suspended light fixtures. The additional height of the ceiling gives the building an open and free feel. The exterior follows the industrial theme as well featuring decorative fencing overlayed with eye-catching and colorful banners.