The Blount-Bridgers House is one of the main attractions in Edgecombe County for multiple reasons. For one, it is simply a beautiful home. Even though it is surrounded on all sides by lovely, well-preserved historic houses, one look at the house as you approach it traveling down St. Andrew St, and you will see why it has unofficially become the centerpiece of Tarboro’s Historic District. It is also a time capsule holding some of the County’s greatest historic facts. Originally called “The Grove”, it was built in 1808 by Thomas Blount, an officer in the Continental Army during the Civil War. It was also owned by Col. Louis Wilson, a NC Senator, and later by Col. John Luther Bridgers, who was the Commandant of Fort Macon during the Civil War. There are many documents and pictures in the house that chronicle its history as well as the history of the County.

It is also an attraction to art lovers. The Blount-Bridgers House not only is the Edgecombe Arts Council’s base of operations, it is the home to the permanent collection of Tarboro-born artist Hobson Pittman.

The House and the Hobson Pittman gallery are open for tours now through November 30th, Wednesday through Saturday 10-4 and on Sundays 2-4. It is located at 130 Bridgers St. Tarboro, NC 27886. The phone number is (252) 823-4159, or you can find out more online at [www.edgecombearts.org](http://www.edgecombearts.org).

So why not take a tour of the Blount-Bridgers House to see what you’ve been missing.

For more information on great places to visit and upcoming events in Edgecombe County, visit [www.edgecombecountync.gov](http://www.edgecombecountync.gov)