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hat's a wrap on Mutterhood's look at **HOME**, but we want to leave you with some ideas, links and resources, based on the stories we've covered, to follow your own path to **HOME**.



## mutterhood's ~ FIELD GUIDE to



historic homes

### tour:

#### Farnsworth House

Plano, IL

This mid-century modern home, designed by **Mies Van der Rohe**, is a masterful example of the International Style of architecture and designed to take advantage of its natural surroundings.

#### Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum

Milwaukee, WI

Now a decorative arts museum, this David Adler designed home was built in 1923 and originally named *Sopra Mare* (above the sea) for its location above Lake Michigan and its Italian inspired design.

#### David Adler Center

Libertyville, IL

For nearly 30 years David Adler remodeled and refined this 1864 farmhouse where he lived until his death in 1949. Now a music and arts center, the facility retains the original public spaces and much of the furniture from Adler's time there.

### other historic places:

#### National Historic Trust

The trust works to save historic houses throughout the country. This month they're focusing on celebrating women and protecting the homes where they made history. Operating 27 sites open to the public, they provide an interactive map to locate those and other historic homes in your area.

#### Illinois Great Places

To commemorate the Bicentennial of Illinois' statehood in 2018, AIA Illinois presents 200 statewide Great Places that showcase the best architecture in Illinois.

### watch:

#### America's Castles

This A&E documentary series tours historic American homes including the Biltmore and Hearst Castle. Although difficult to find online, a quick library search found many of the seasons available to rent providing another reason to visit your library.



tiny wonders

### tour:

#### Thorne Rooms

Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

These 68 **miniature rooms** display interiors from the late 13th century through the 1930's and are the largest collection of its kind.

#### Colleen Moore's Fairy Castle

Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, IL

On display since 1949, the castle holds over 1500 treasures in its rooms. A time-lapse video of conservators reassembling the castle can be seen [HERE](#).

#### The Miniature Show

Schaumburg, IL

Featuring workshops, events, live demonstrations and over 600 artists, this is the best place to see, learn and buy tiny wonders. *April 24-27, 2019*

#### Museum of Miniature Houses

Carmel, IN

With thousands of miniatures in their collection (including some highlighted in virtual tours on their website) it's worth the trip.

#### The Mini Time Machine

Tucson, AZ

A museum featuring revolving exhibits, classes and demonstrations devoted to the art of miniatures.

### watch:

#### Murder Rooms

Officially called the **Nutshell Studies**, these miniature murder rooms have been used to teach forensic science since the 1940's.

### do:

#### The International Guild of Miniature Artisans

Their website and blog has information on learning the craft and demonstrations on fine art miniatures.

#### The Spruce

The Spruce has instructions and other information for do it yourself room boxes and displays for your miniatures.



**Mary Dixon Kies**  
hat making machine

**Nancy Johnson**  
ice cream machine

**Margaret E. Knight**  
paper bag machine

**Sarah E. Goode**  
cabinet bed

**Josephine Cochrane**  
dishwasher

**Elizabeth Magie**  
the landlord's game

**Madam C.J. Walker**  
hair products

**Mellita Bentz**  
coffee filters

**Ruth Wakefield**  
tollhouse cookies

**Maria Telkes**  
solar house

**Bette Nesmith Graham**  
liquid paper

**Frances Gabe**  
self-cleaning house

on the web:

Famous Women Inventors

Exploring the contributions of female inventors throughout history.

Inventive History

Information on *Inventive Women*, an exhibit at the National Women's History Museum.

watch:

Tiny Shoulders: Rethinking Barbie

Hulu documentary on the history of Ruth Handlers' invention and where Barbie is headed.



Madame C. J. Walker Historic Home

Recently purchased by the National Historic Trust and slated for renovation as a museum, this virtual tour of Walker's home is narrated by her granddaughter.

lost & found

In Lost & Found, our photo essay, we paired quotes from renowned female writers and thinkers with photographs of discarded objects.



read:

**May Sarton**  
Journals of May Sarten Volume One: Journal of a Solitude

**Sylvia Plath**  
The Bell Jar

**Virginia Wolf**  
A Room of One's Own

**Sarah Dessen**  
What Happened to Goodbye

**Daphne du Maurier**  
Rebecca

**Jo Ann Beard**  
"Waiting" from Boys of My Youth

watch:

**RBG**  
Documentary about Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

visit/buy/donate:

**Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse**  
Evanston, IL  
The organization promotes the reduction of waste in landfills through sustainable deconstruction and renovation practices. They sell reclaimed building materials, appliances and other goods to fund their job-training and job development programs. Similar organizations are at work throughout the country.

**Goodwill Industries**  
Locations throughout the country.

**Sasquatch, LLC**  
Reducing carbon footprints through repurposing, reusing or recycling factory and business equipment and materials.

field trip:

**American Writer's Museum**  
Chicago, IL  
The country's first and only museum that celebrates the words, work and cultural contributions of American Writers.

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