

**Press Release
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RE: EXHIBIT NEWS: National Touring Exhibition,

***“House & Home”* Opening Saturday, June 14th and running through August 10th**

***“House and Home”* Examines the familiar and surprising, through past and present, to explore the varied history, and many cultural meanings of the American home.**

Opening Events (free and open to the public):

House & Home Family Program: On June 14th, at 2:00 p.m. given by House & Home curator Sarah Levitt from the National Building Museum, Washington D.C. Following the lecture is a Family Program for all ages.

Also, on Sunday June 15th, at 2:00 p.m. An exhibit tour given by House & Home curator Sarah Levitt from the National Building Museum.

What makes a *house* a *home*? Throughout American history, people have lived in all sorts of places, from military barracks and two-story colonials to college dormitories and row houses. Drawn from the flagship installation at The National Building Museum, *House & Home* explores how our ideal of the perfect house and our experience of what it means to “be at home” have changed over time. Visitors will learn about issues of housing inequality, land distribution, and the role of the government, from the Colonial period through the Homestead Act and the creation of the Federal Housing Administration in the 1930s.

House & Home has been made possible through NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. It has been adapted and is being toured by Mid-America Arts Alliance. *House and Home* was organized by the National Building Museum, Washington, D.C., and curated by Sarah Levitt. Additional support was provided by the Home Depot Foundation. Founded in 1972, Mid-America Arts Alliance is the oldest regional nonprofit arts organization in the United States. For more information, visit www.maaa.org or www.nehontheroad.org.

The Museum is supported in part through funding by the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County.

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Venue Name and address: Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum, 204 S. Main

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Regular Museum Hours and Admission

Time: Hours 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Tues.-Fri., 1-5 p.m. Sat.-Sun.

Admission: \$5, \$2 children 6-12, children under 6 free.

Information: 316-265-9314 online at wichitahistory.org

OUR VISION: To provide a world class Museum experience, advancing the understanding and exploration of the rich historical and cultural heritage of Wichita and Sedgwick County Kansas