Kids’ Guide

The Stettheimer Dollhouse Up Close
Welcome to The Stettheimer Dollhouse: Up Close!

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**ABOUT THE ARTIST**

This is a painting of Carrie Stettheimer. She is the artist who created the dollhouse you are about to see. Her sister Florine painted this portrait!

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What is Carrie standing next to? What is she holding in her hand?

How would you describe the style of Carrie’s outfit?

Can you pose like Carrie in this painting?

This is the year that Florine created this painting.
Can you find . . .

- 9 roses on the ground where Carrie is standing?
- 7 windows on the dollhouse?
- 3 people sitting in chairs?
- 1 person riding a bicycle?
- The Year 1923? This is the year that Florine created this painting.
Walk into the gallery and take a close look at the dollhouse in the middle of the room.

Help keep the dollhouse safe by not touching the glass case!

Take a look at the different walls of these rooms. What shapes, colors, and patterns can you find?
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1 bed with red, yellow, and green flowers on it?

2 beds with gold, swirling designs?

2 beds covered by a pink, blue, and gray canopy?

A canopy is a cloth hanging over a bed.

Can you find . . .

FIND
These tiny works of art are by many different artists. Carrie Stettheimer invited these artists to create miniature (or very small) copies of their own art for this dollhouse.

**Look closer**

**Mini Artworks**

Lean in and look through the doors of the room behind them. Walk around the dollhouse and find a gold statue and white statue. Choose one of these miniature artworks inside the dollhouse. Now turn around in the room where you are standing: can you find the larger version of this artwork on the wall behind you?

**Find**

What do you see on the wall?

**The Nursery**

**Look closer**

What colors and patterns do you see on the walls of this room?

What does this room make you feel or think about?

Imagine that you were small enough to fit in this room. What would you use this room for?

What materials do you think were used to make the furniture and objects in this room?

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GET CREATIVE

Get inspired by the portrait of Carrie that her sister painted, and draw a portrait of somebody you love!

What will they be wearing in your portrait?  
What will they be doing?
Design your own unique wallpaper!

Look at the walls of the different bedrooms for ideas.

Create your own miniature artwork that you would hang in a dollhouse!
Want to learn more about this dollhouse and build and design your own miniature dollhouse at home?

Check out this video from the Museum of the City of New York and Project Kid!

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