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Wall Wrap in a Historic Home

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The Dozier House was built ca. 1904 by Confederate veteran Nathaniel B. Dozier. It sits in the center of the National Register Hincheyville Historic District in downtown Franklin, TN.

The Dozier family sold the home and in 1936, the new owners turned the house into a funeral home. Franklin Memorial Chapel closed in 2007, and the structure that was already in disrepair sat vacant for years. Thrive Homes purchased the property in 2012, and began the process of careful restoration.

About a year ago, Thrive Homes and O'More College of Design came together to turn the Dozier House into the 2014 O'More Alumni Designer Show House. Two dozen of Nashville's top designers, all with ties to O'More College of Design, created the wonderful spaces inside that now make up the Dozier House.

Louise Kitchell, ASID and Linda Tallent Brown, ASID, from Kitchell & Brown Interiors, were invited to design the Breakfast Room. They wanted to showcase historic Franklin in their design; so they hired a photographer (Joseph C. Howell) to capture the iconic Franklin Square and selected Brand Imaging Group to print and install a wall mural in their space. Colored in rich sepia tones, the recent photo transports you back in time. It's truly an astonishing focal point for the room at large, which includes the kitchen.

The wall mural, which pictures the Confederate monument erected in the town square in 1899, also has a special tie to the house. Dozier's wife, Tennie Pinkerton Dozier, was a member of the Franklin Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy - who led the task of fundraising over $3000 for the land and statue.

With 2014 marking the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Franklin, it is notable that this land, located on the crown of the hill, was the site of a battery of six cannon that fired more than 300 rounds in the five-hour fight. More than 10,000 casualties fell on November 30, 1864, and six Confederate generals were killed. The Army of Tennessee was decimated, and the American Civil War ended four months later.