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Wildwood Manor House Wallpaper

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Metroparks Toledo Area
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Historic wallpaper can be treated in one of two ways. It can either be removed from the wall (which often involves applying a facing), or it can be treated in situ, leaving it in place. In this case, as the paper itself was in fairly good condition, and it was the media that was in poor condition, ICA conservators decided to treat the wallpaper by leaving it in place. Paper and paintings conservators carefully dusted the surface of the wallpaper, consolidated all lifting and insecure media with appropriate adhesives, and retouched small losses and liquid tide lines to minimize their appearance and reintegrate the wallpaper aesthetically.