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Meet the Experts: Author Bruce Goldfarb to appear at T/m

Will discuss new book *18 Tiny Deaths*; book signing to follow

Feb. 25, 2020 (KANSAS CITY, Mo.) – Award-winning writer Bruce Goldfarb will discuss his new book, *18 Tiny Deaths: The Untold Story of Frances Glessner Lee and the Invention of Modern Forensics*, at The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures (T/m) on Sunday, March 8, at 2 p.m. as part of the museum's *Meet the Experts* series.

In the 1940s, Frances Glessner Lee created the Nutshell Studies of Unexplained Death, a series of 1:12 scale miniature crime scenes, to advance the study of forensic science. At a time when women were discouraged from entering scientific professions, Lee found a way to make a significant contribution to the field.

Goldfarb, whose work has appeared in the *Baltimore Sun*, *Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *American Archaeology*, *American Health* and many other publications, has served as executive assistant to the Chief Medical Examiner for the State of Maryland since 2012. He is public information officer for the OCME and curator of the Nutshell Studies of Unexplained Death.

"Francis Glessner Lee's miniature crime scenes were, and remain to this day, absolutely mesmerizing. These intricate works of art have impacted forensic science so profoundly that Mrs. Lee became a pioneer in the field. Mr. Goldfarb's book is a fascinating chronicle of her work and we're thrilled to have him share this story at the museum," said T/m Executive Director Petra Kralickova.

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Tickets can be purchased online at www.toyandminiaturemuseum.com/upcoming. A book signing and reception will take place immediately following the lecture.

Advance media requests for Bruce Goldfarb can be directed to 18TinyDeaths@gmail.com. Media requests for the day of the event can be directed to T/m Marketing and Communications Strategist Jayson Hajdu at jahtgd@toyandminiaturemuseum.org.

For additional information, visit www.brucegoldfarb.com.

THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF TOYS AND MINIATURES

The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures educates, inspires and delights adults and children through the museum's collection and preservation of toys and miniatures. Located on the University of Missouri-Kansas City campus, the museum exhibits the world's largest collection of fine-scale miniatures and one of the nation's largest collections of historic toys. For more information, call 816.235.8000 or visit www.toyandminiaturemuseum.org.

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