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The best museums for American art in the US

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6. National Museum of American IllustrationNewport, Rhode Island

The National Museum of American Illustration juxtaposes art for the everyman with architecture for the elite. Works created for newspapers, magazines and advertisements by 20th-century illustrators like Norman Rockwell, JC Leyendecker and Maxfield Parrish adorn the walls of a Gilded Age mansion located on Newport, Rhode Island's historic Bellevue Avenue. These illustrations, classic symbols of 20th-century Americana, are part of a collective history that permeates all levels of America's socioeconomic strata; they were once found in the homes of every citizen who could afford a *Saturday Evening Post*.



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