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Author’s Place, Digital Space: Mapping Tennessee Williams, 1938-1948

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"Make voyages! — Attempt them! — there's nothing else . . ."
— Tennessee Williams, Camino Real

**ABSTRACT**
From 1938-1948, twentieth-century American author Tennessee Williams traveled the country with his portable typewriter and a battered suitcase. He wrote every day, and his writings reflect the places and people he encountered. Williams’s journey from obscurity to fame as a writer during this decade parallels the nation’s path from depression to postwar prosperity. We use Google Earth to create placemarks that highlight Williams’s professional and personal connections, production histories, and social and political contexts.