"If We Walk Far Enough, We Shall Sometime Come to Someplace": Fantastical Home and Chosen Family in The Wizard of Oz: Jason Black and Jeff Walker

The Wizard of Oz and The Wonderful Wizard of Oz presents home as a social space rather than a physical place. Dorothy must sojourn beyond Kansas to discover what we call a "fantastical home" in Oz. The "fantastical home" is one where "we find ourselves right where we always wanted to be," and necessitates a "chosen family." Black and Walker take Dorothy's "fantastical home" and "chosen family" as analogs of identity-journeys in the living world, unpacking scenes from these Oz stories, alongside public examples and personal narratives concerning the promise of discovering one's "fantastical home" and "chosen family."