

Pre-Convention Workshops

September 10 - 11, 2014 Wednesday (Sept. 10) & Thursday (Sept. 11) 8:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Wednesday & Thursday (2-Day Class)



WTH1 – Vineyard in a Bottle by Ruth Stewart Class Fee: \$197

This is a 3D printed marvel to behold! The bottle has a winding staircase connecting two stories, barrels that open, two chandeliers with candles, a bust on a pillar, and dozens of wine bottles – ALL printed in 3D! You will also get strands of laser-cut grape leaves & beads to make grapes, wine boxes & glasses, and a specially designed label for the bottle. A real cork tops it off! The kit comes with two lights to electrify the chandeliers and a complete base with a beautiful huge doily to cover it. You can store the provided battery pack, batteries, and wiring inside the base. It's going to be a blast!

Thursday Classes





TH1 – 1/144" Brick Dollhouse

by Charlotte Atcher Class Fee: **\$92**

A three-room 1/144" scale brick house will be constructed & wired with two LED lights on a switch & battery. The house contains custom five-part windows, a unique bay window, gingerbread trim, & carpeting with coordinating wallpaper selections. This special house is surrounded by a yard enclosed by a picket fence & a swinging gate. The electricals are cleverly hidden under the originally-designed 1/12" scale table that it sits on. An on/off switch enables this display to be entirely standalone or could easily fit into a 1/12" scale dollhouse. Some finishing work, table completion & the yard may not be possible to get to in class.

Minimum Skill Level: intermediate 1/144" scale





TH2 – Tuscany Courtyard by Karen Benson Class Fee: \$122

WOW! A little corner of Tuscany to call your own. Build this courtyard where you can escape to have a quiet moment. The courtyard is built into a 5" x 7" frame; the scene itself is 3-1/2"w x 5-1/2"h x 4"d (not including the frame). No light is required because there is an acrylic covered opening in the top. However, an optional LED kit will be available if you would like to light the two interior rooms. The interior scene slides out of the back of the frame for easy access. This is a wood laser cut kit & you will build the exterior box & interior scene and then stucco the walls, paint the trims, & finish the stairs with "Italian tile." There's plenty of room in the courtyard to add more plants, flowers, a table for two, or maybe a lazy cat and/or dog from your own stash of accessories.



TH3 – Goat Cart by Jo Dewane Class Fee: \$87

Create this Tuscan-looking scene which fits into the 3-1/2" x 2" x 2" clear container (included). You'll assemble the cart & make several accessories. Then, you can arrange the cart & the goat (by Barbara Myer), with the rest of the provided accessories and landscaping materials into your own unique vignette. Take home a finished project along with tips & techniques to use in other projects....all while having fun!





TH4 – At Home in the South by Luci Hanson

Class Fee: **\$107**

Recreate and customize your own stately southern mansion with this four room electrified Antebellum. The building is preassembled with four individual rooms that pull out for ease of decorating & furnishing...when you return the rooms back into the building watch the lights go on! In this class you will learn how to apply shingle strips, finish seams properly, install LED lighting for each room, & put together the four columns and landscaping. This unit can be hung on a wall. Comes with a bag to carry it home, too.

NOTE: The room furnishings are not included!

Minimum Skill Level: intermediate 1/4" scale

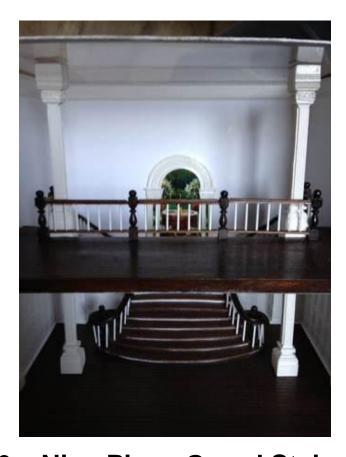




TH5 – Café Michel by Sue Herber Class Fee: \$132

Café Michel is a small Mediterranean building with crumbling plaster over stone construction. A little cafe with overhanging cover fills most of the first floor. There is a separate entry to the side leading to a second floor apartment with a tiled roof, several balconies, flower boxes, and even wash hanging on the line. A small fireplace keeps the apartment warm. Learn not only how to build this café, but also how to age it for an authentic look.

Minimum Skill Level: intermediate 1/4" scale



TH6 – Nine Pines Grand Staircase by Suzane Herget

Class Fee: **\$187**

Nine Pines Grand Staircase was inspired by the staircase in "Gone with the Wind's" Twelve Oaks. Students will wallpaper both the inside & outside. The staircase is built one at a time using specially designed laser cut steps. Prestained scribed floors are a snap to install...as is adding the white posts to the predrilled holes. Patience IS needed in adding the curved railing — patience to wait for the glue to dry while it is held down. Hand-turned newel posts add a touch of elegance. Handmade arches & columns are included. Adding the laser cut frame-style detailing to the walls is a lot of fun, especially when you are working on the walls while they are still flat. These wall panels are sent to you ahead of time so you can complete them at home (and are easily transportable back to the convention...it's all made of paper & can fit in a 5x8 envelope). NOTE: The crown moulding at the top of the ceiling is NOT included.

Minimum Skill Level: intermediate 1/4" scale





TH7 – "Vignette's" by Suzanne Larson-Tamburo Class Fee: \$84

"Vignette's" is a little three-story Tuscan shop with an outside stairway leading to the second floor. Students will build & finish the structure & learn how to use joint compound to make stonework. This is the last structure introduced in 2014 of a three part series that, when placed together, form a cobblestoned town center. Each structure can/will stand on its own, however.



TH8 – ½" Scale "Lady in Carnevale Attire" by JoAnne Roberts
Class Fee: \$112

Inspired by photos of Carnivale, I created this ½" scale Lady by Bonnie Sanford. Her costume is made of hand-painted blue silk dupioni. It features a full skirt with a gathered flounce, highlighted by touches of gold lamé & jewels. The upper part of the bodice is gold lamé trimmed with a small ruffle around the shoulders. Her outfit has bell sleeves. Students will embellish her elaborate headpiece with ruffled fabric, jewels, a jewelry finding, & trim.

Minimum Skill Level: beginning ½" scale



TH9 - Framed Tuscan Courtyard Vignette

by Sandy Whipple Class Fee: **\$82**

Capture the ambiance of Tuscany by making this 1/4" scale courtyard vignette which is matted & framed in a 5x7 frame. You will learn easy techniques for creating cobblestones, an aged & textured building facade with exposed brick, & a foam display box with no raw edges. You'll also build a fountain, create window boxes of cascading flowers, & alter a laser-cut form to make a 3-dimensional bicycle for touring Tuscany!



TH10 – Olde English Village Pub

by Cat Wingler Class Fee: \$162

We'll assemble & finish a rustic Olde English Village Pub complete with kegs and a lighted fireplace & candle. We'll even added the namesake – the Hogs Head – to hang over the bar. All pub furnishings downstairs are included: the bar, back bar, tables, chairs, fireplace, & of course, the Hogs Head trophy over the bar. There are lots of extras included (such as the lights to light the upstairs) to help finish the scene. The owners' upstairs quarters furniture will be available separately. We were inspired to name ours based on the Harry Potter series, but you'll be able to personalize yours any way you wish.

NOTE: The upstairs furniture isn't included but will be offered separately.







TH11 – 1/4" Tuscan Kitchen by Debbie Young
Class Fee: \$107

Capture the rustic, warm, & inviting spirit of Italy in this lovely framed Tuscan Kitchen. This spacious kitchen features antiqued cabinets, warm wood floors, a large center island, a Viking stove with a beautiful hood, & a mural of the Italian countryside. All pictured accessories are included (paintings, canister set, pans, bottles, sunflowers). Instructor will provide all paints, glues, & assorted supplies as well as cutting boards, paper towels, wax paper, etc. Students only need to bring a very basic tool kit–xacto knife, extra blades, cork back ruler, scissors, tweezers, & assortment of paintbrushes (for Yes glue, house paint, & detail work).