



# Theme Luncheons



**Friday, July 24, 2020 Noon - 1:30 PM**

**TLF1 – Pastry Making in Miniature** *by Carl Bronsdon* **\$136**

Have you ever looked longingly at miniature pastries and wondered, how did they do that? It looks good enough to eat! Learn some of the tricks of the trade of miniature pastry making, how to mix colors, and texture and color to polymer clay, and just what is that whipped cream stuff? I'll share some of my best tricks and what I've learned from 30+ years of working with polymer clays. You will receive a list of some of my favorite tools and products for making pastries, as well as some basic instructions for achieving realistic textures and colors in your work. Your gift will be a 1" scale tray of pastries, cake on glass cake stand, English mixing bowl, mini kit of packaged baking products and supplies.

**TLF1 – The Story of Fur** *by Rachelle Spiegel* **\$101**

What do you need in a Winter Wonderland to keep warm? The universal answer through human history has been fur. Join me in following the twists and turns of fashions through the years that began with primitive man needing protection from the elements. The luxurious coats of a wide variety of animals have been used by the elite aristocratic classes and the mercantile classes as a sign of status. Technological advancements in the treatment of furs made fur available to the masses and by the 20<sup>th</sup> century was a booming industry. We will take a quick tour with photos and some miniature examples of the varied styles that have utilized this beautiful, natural material. You will receive a one inch scale Edwardian period "fur" ensemble of muff, scarf and hat s your gift.

**TLF3 – Narnia...The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe** *by Mike and Alison Thomas* **\$96**

Enter through the wardrobe into the magical world of Narnia to hear "snippets" of the story and how to create them in miniature. Play games like pass Mr. Tumnus's parcels and more to win themed prizes. Enjoy Mr. and Mrs. Beavers "Afternoon Tea" but remember to dress warm! Thanks to the White-Witch, through the wardrobe is chilly. Make a Narnia themed hat or headdress to wear for this "Winter Wonderland"..... For attending each of you will receive a quarter scale surprise gift base on the lion, the witch and the wardrobe.

**TLF4 – How I Learned to Sculpt Porcelain Dolls** *by Fern Vasi* **\$156**

I will talk about 35 years of my life making porcelain dolls and how I learned to individually sculpt their faces, hands, feet, paint them, and how I dress them. I will also talk about how I worked for Disney, Danbury Mint and others to try to market them in quantity. For joining Fern you will receive a 1" scale porcelain hand sculpted man dressed as a shop keeper.

**Saturday, July 25, 2020 12:15 PM - 1:45 PM**

**TLS1 – My Life in Miniatures** *by Pete Acquisto* **\$156**

I will speak about the process that I use making sterling silver miniatures and about some of the experiences that I have had in my 40 years of making miniatures. The gift will be a surprise sterling silver miniature piece made especially for the luncheon.

**TLS2 – Lighting your Minis-Big and Small** *by Luci Hanson* **\$81**

Dark rooms and spaces can easily come to life with lighting. LED lighting has made it easier to light our minis. Join Luci to find out how to illuminate an aquarium, a pond, a multi-story house or a small roombox. Learn how to retro fit your minis without having to take them apart. She will show you how to light up the smallest and the largest of spaces. With a few simple tools you too can become an LED Electrician!!! Each attendee will receive a ceiling light with power suitable for a 1” roombox or large room and a strip light with power for small spaces.

**TLS3 – Gingerbread: From Victorians to Grandma’s Kitchen** **\$146**

*by Ginger Landon-Siegel*

Victorian builders used a variety of fancifully cut “gingerbread trims” to transform simple frame cottages into one-of-a-kind homes. North America’s romance with the wonderful gingerbread trims dates back to the 1830’s. Gingerbread cookie houses originate in Germany during the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Over time these artistic spicy creations became a special part of many family gatherings shared during the holiday season. Share a bit of time discovering the history and beauty of these two wonderful art forms, from Victorian to the sugar coated masterpieces. Your gift will be 2 micro dimensional houses – a Gingerbread Victorian AND a snow covered “cookie” House – both framed and ready for display. In addition, you will receive some fun “gingerbread” extras and a small clock that fits between the two houses to create an artistic ensemble.

**TLS4 – Using Paper Punches to Make Fimo Items** *by Carolyn McVicker* **\$141**

I will explain and demonstrate to the attendees how to use paper punches and items used by scrap bookers to make various food items, such as sandwich slices, cupids, and other items using polymer clay and corn starch. The attendee is only limited by his/her imagination. These tools can also be used with cold porcelain and other media. You will receive a beautiful one-inch scale party stand filled with finger sandwiches, assorted pastries, and fruit; as well as 2 paper punches.