



Greetings from your Regional Coordinator! It has been a busy few months with many changes. I want to welcome our new newsletter person, Kimberly Feys who has graciously agreed to take over from Jeff Wilson.

We have also decided to terminate our website due to the costs involved and take advantage of the NAME Website which we can use for free. I attended the Tom Bishop Show in Chicago recently, and all I can say is if you have never gone to one, please put it on your bucket list! I also went to the Chicago Spring Showcase of Miniatures in Schaumburg, IL. It was a two-for-one!

I won't be able to attend the Mini Yard Sale in Westminster, MD this year, but if anyone is willing to man the NAME table, let me know as I have the NAME information for the table. I will be in Maine at the IGMA Guild School that week—another item everyone should have on their miniature bucket list! We can all be mini friends! I love learning new skills. This year I'll be taking a class from Mark Murphy and making a corner hutch. And making a chandelier from Sue Lemmens. Or maybe I'll just be frustrated.

On another note, anyone who wants to join my Friday Miniature online group, just send me an email at amaburt@yahoo.com and I'll send you the link. We meet most Fridays from 11:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. EDST. Don't be shy, we have coast-to-coast participants. There is no fee, you don't have to stay the whole time, there are set projects, just a bunch of mini friends who get together and do minis together.

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NAME Day 2022 – 50 Years of Memories

Article from NAME <https://miniatures.org/50th>

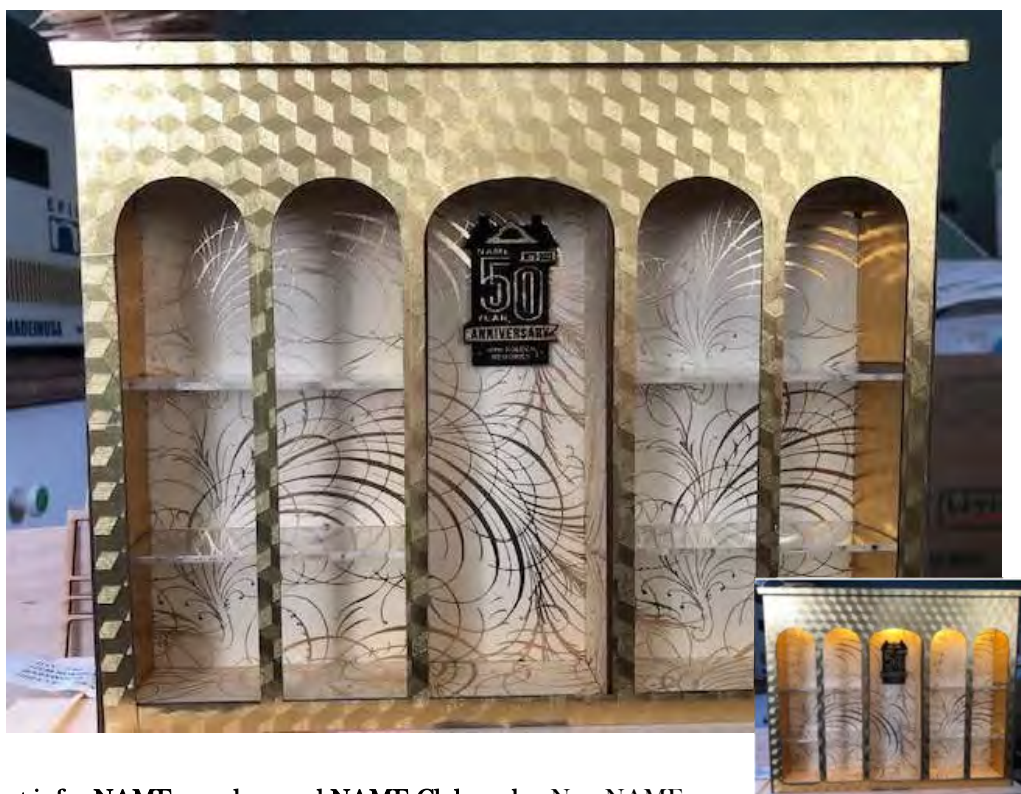
In conjunction with it's 50th, NAME is planning to hold a series of special events to showcase its anniversary. The 2022 NAME Day (October 1, 2022) project will be a Memory Box that is designed to show off past, present and future special items. NAME is also planning a series of reasonably priced kits (similar to Quick Minis) and/or finished pieces all year long! This page will serve as a landing page to find all these items. Some of these actually links will stay the same but each of those pages may continue to be updated.

Fifty years of memories not only describes NAME's Golden Anniversary, but also this year's NAME Day project. It is the perfect place for those special miniatures. This year's NAME Day project will offer only one size. The project has 12 small compartments and one larger middle section. Kits will include an etched 50th Anniversary logo that can be placed anywhere.

The purpose of NAME Day is to unite and involve all NAME members by doing the same project, on the same day at different locations throughout the US and internationally. Participation in an event may occur locally, statewide, regionally, or online. Information will be in the NAME Miniature Gazette to encourage all NAME members participation.

Dates: As a way to kick off International Dollhouse and Miniatures Month, NAME Day will always be on the first Saturday of October. This year it will be on Saturday, October 1, 2022. Expanded events (or areas with conflicting dates) should occur as close to these dates as is reasonably possible.

Project: All events will be a one-time-only project, this year is “50 Years of Memories”. Plans for the project will be made available as soon as they are available. Cutters are encouraged to develop variations.



1. This event is for NAME members and NAME Clubs only. Non-NAME members should be encouraged and invited to join NAME so that they can participate in this event. All efforts should be made to include ALL NAME members in an area. Events could be held locally, statewide, regionally, or online. Clubs might get together with other clubs; small groups of individuals in remote areas could meet in someone's home. Whatever the size of the event, the goal should be to welcome and invite all members. Event sponsors are encouraged to work with their State Representatives and

2. Local event committees will determine their theme, accessories, length of the events (one day, mini weekend, etc.) and costs.

3. Insurance is available through the NAME office for events sponsored by a NAME Club and held in **public locations** in both the US and Canada. The form is available online. **Insurance requests must be filed with the NAME office by August 1, 2022.**

4. We encourage participation for NAME shop owners and members. If a shop/shop owner is a NAME member, he/she may sponsor a NAME Day event BUT participation is limited to NAME members only.

5. Fees are to be set locally with all efforts made to keep costs low and reasonable. Because NAME is a non-profit organization, any profit from your event must be used for educational or charitable purposes. Please also remembers that we are a part of a national organization and it would be nice if you could find a way to make a financial donation to NAME and specify the NAME Day fund. This fund is what supports the free kits event planners can receive and we are always running low on this fund. You could add a few dollars onto your registration fee, plan some type of fundraiser for NAME such as a selling tickets for donated “helper” prizes, or donate a portion of your event profit to NAME. This is not a requirement, but any donation is always appreciated, and future availability of free sample kits is dependent on these funds. Regional Coordinators to connect with members in their area and support/assist in planning their event.



Honoring Pat Arnell - The Mini Time Machine

By Lisa Hastreiter-Lamb

This spring TMTM launched some exciting initiatives. Having completed a Strategic Plan for Diversity and Inclusion in December, we are implementing training and updating gallery resources to provide a more equitable museum experience for all our visitors. Our education staff introduced a new program for middle school students - Miniatures in STEM - which uses 3D printing and engineering to explore the ways miniatures can be used to test architectural, engineering, and scientific concepts.

While we are proud of our new programs, we are also saddened by the loss of the remarkable woman that dreamed of and founded TMTM, Patricia (Pat) Arnell who passed away peacefully with her daughter Sarah at her side on February 27, 2022, in Tucson.

Pat's vision for TMTM was centered on a desire to share the joy miniatures brought her life. Together with her late husband, Walter J. Arnell, they built TMTM and filled it with a magical display of Pat's miniature collection to spread the joy of miniatures to the community. Today her collection, along with changing exhibits, is visited by over 40,000 people from the Tucson area and beyond annually.

In May, we'll pay tribute to Pat's vision, gifts, and accomplishments, both large and small. We hope you will consider supporting Pat's legacy gift. Your gift in her honor will fund her vision, and museum operations, including educational offerings for people of all ages.
Make a Donation - <https://67471.blackbaudhosting.com/67471/General-Operating-Fund>



Above right - Dominick, an 8th grader at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Middle School shares his 3D designed and printed miniature prototype. Right - TMTM Founder Patricia Arnell, ca. 2012

Events and Updates

Westminster Yard Sale - June 11, 2022
Ascension Episcopal Church
23 N Court St, Westminster, MD 21157

At last, after two long years, we can have a miniature yard sale at the church in Westminster! The registration form is below for you to purchase your table. If you are interested, please send the form to Romaine no later than June 3, 2022. If you have questions please e-mail Romaine at romaineeyler@comcast.net.

MINIATURES-CRAFTS AND COLLECTABLES REGISTRATION

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
PHONE: _____
CELL: _____
Email _____
Number of tables _____
Amount Enclosed _____

- Tables are \$26.00 each.
- Set up for vendors allowed on Friday evening after 5 PM until 8 PM
- Doors open for vendors at 8 AM on Saturday morning
- Open to the public at 10 AM. Close at 3 PM.

Send completed form & check to:
Romaine Eyer
550 E. Nicodemus Road
Westminster, MD 21157

2022 NAME National Convention Indianapolis
September 1-4, 2022
Hotel: Indianapolis Marriott East
7202 East 21st Street
Indianapolis, IN 46219
Book your room @ [NAME2022](https://miniatures.org/2022Indianapolis)
More information about registering for the convention @ <https://miniatures.org/2022Indianapolis>

2022 Online Dollhouse Miniatures Show
June 8-12, July 6-10, August 10-14, September 7-11, October 5- 9, November 9-13, December 7-11
<http://aminiminiatureshow.weebly.com/>

Dollhouse & Miniatures Show
August 7, 2022
10 AM to 4 PM. Holiday Inn, Route 100S and I-78 Breinigsville, PA.
<http://www.lehighvalleyminiatures.com/>

The Philly Show 2022
November 4, 5, & 6, 2022
DoubleTree by Hilton Philadelphia/Cherry Hill
Same Hotel, New Owner
2349 W. Marlton Pike
Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002
Hotel rooms are \$109.00/night plus taxes. You can book your room directly with the hotel at 856-665-6666.
Parking is Free
<https://philadelphiaminiaturia.com/>

2022 PHILLY OPENING NIGHT/WEEKEND PASS
\$25/person
Opening Night/Weekend Passes are limited to the first 500 people registered. To be admitted on Friday, November 4, 2022, you must purchase an Opening Night/Weekend Pass for \$25. Opening Night hours are Friday, 6pm-9pm & Saturday 9am - 10am.

Weekend Passes include Friday hors d'oeuvres & cash bar, three-day admission, early shopping Friday from 6 pm to 9 pm, and Saturday morning from 9 am to 10 am.

YES! You may purchase from dealers during Opening Night!

When you purchase your pass, simply tell us your name (and your friend's names) and we will have your name badge waiting for you at our registration area.

Cancellations prior to October 15th will receive a refund less a \$5 processing fee. Cancellations after October 15th are not refundable.



Roza Matlin is a self-taught artist and muralist from Russia, currently living in Maryland. Roza participates in local craft fairs and takes custom orders for paintings and hand-decorated items. You can find her work at <https://www.instagram.com/rozadream/>

Miniature Art

Don’t have the space to display full-size works of art? Create pocket-size pictures on cards, coins, or a tiny canvas with paint, ink, or pencils. Make your own desktop paintings, fridge magnets, ACEO artist cards, and more! Roza Matlin is the instructor.

<https://www.visartscenter.org/instructor/roza-matlin/>

This class is for ages 14 and up.

Students must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to attend this class.

Please use the Notes section on the registration form to list any accommodations you will need during the class.

Venue – VisArts Classroom 3, 155 Gibbs Street, Rockville, MD 20850

Dates to choose from: May 31, June 3, June 10, June 17, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Cost per class: \$35

Register @ <https://www.visartscenter.org/event/miniature-art-2/>

INTRODUCTIONS!



Hi, I'd like to introduce myself; I recently bought [MiniEtchers.com](https://www.minietchers.com/)!

For those who aren’t familiar, MiniEtchers was started by Shellie Williams, who is retiring now and is a member of this group. MiniEtchers makes laser-cut hardwood and 3D-printed resin miniatures, in unfinished kits.

I had my grand re-opening at the beginning of this month and you will be interested to know that so far, **I only have 1:24 scale kits!!** Since I moved production to a local (metro Atlanta) laser-cutter, I’ve had a lot to do to get the designs transferred. I have some stock that Shellie sent to me but those quantities are limited until I get everything re-released.

So far I have 10 of Shellie's beautiful 1:24 scale Eastlake furniture collection in full production, with the 1:48 in the works. I put a poll on my website last week and the overwhelming winner of what kits to be ready for release next are the kitchen collections so those will be released this summer. (In the meantime, Grace still has some MiniEtchers kitchen kits at virtualdollhouse.net)

I’ve been a fan of half-inch scale ever since I built the Real Good Toys ½” Lighthouse 20 years ago. I love how it takes up less space but I can still create a lot of detail.

I have an engineering and product management background and took early retirement in 2020. I love having a little business where I don't have to wait for decisions from a committee!

Thank you for adding me and I look forward to getting to know all of you.

Karen Crawford
<https://www.minietchers.com/>
Miniature furniture kits for DIY dollhouse enthusiasts!



Joe & Jeannine Rodriguez

Repurposing –
Victorian Lady’s
Boudoir



The original idea was to build a Shadow Box to house the bedroom furniture and items we had collected. However, then we found this fish tank and we thought, why not?

The fish tank is the perfect dimension and after lining the three inner walls, it makes it the perfect space to fill with the frills of a Victorian Lady’s Boudoir!



Kimberley Feys

“Field Trips”

Over the past few weeks, I have been traveling and took the opportunity to visit a few Dollhouse stores along the way. All I can say is WOW! We have amazing local stores in our area. But, it’s so interesting to me to see what other stores look like, what they offer, etc! Such a feast for your eyes and great ideas!



Top four photos Whimsie’s Dollhouse shop, Greenwich, CT; Lower five photos Flip This House, new Bedford, MA



Highlight pictures from Delaware Mini Show April 2022.

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Hello, my fellow mini acquaintances!

I am excited to introduce myself to you as the newest Newsletter Creator and fellow miniature fan! We have so much to be grateful for with being able to meet again in person at our Clubs and attend Mini Shows and Conventions. (Did I see you at the Delaware show and Yard Sale last month?) It was such a great event and to see old friends and meet new ones too.

It's my hope to get to know more of you virtually or in person, and receive your great articles to publish in future newsletters. Send me your photos, ideas, and enthusiasm for miniatures! I personally would love to start promoting miniatures more in the DMV so others who discovered their love for making minis during the pandemic learn about our Clubs, NAME, and know more about the amazing community of people we have among us!

I would love to know what you have been working on lately! Please send me any and all things to miniaturesdmv@gmail.com!

Be well, be safe, and have fun!

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<https://forms.gle/kSkcEumLJrSPvTcP6>

We want to learn what you want to see and what you want to do!

Shops, Dealers, and Artisans

Maryland

Craft Supply House

Mount Airy, Md.

<https://www.thecraftsupplyhouse.com/>

https://www.etsy.com/shop/CraftSupplyHouse?ref=profile_header

Forever Friends

Olney, Maryland 20832

301-774-3037

By appointment only

https://foreverfriendsminis.com/new_site/

Frizellburg Antique Shop

(Specializing in antique dollhouses, dolls & furnishings)

10909 Old Taneytown Road

Westminster, MD 21158

410-848-0664

<https://www.facebook.com/Frizellburgantiques/>

Gibby's Doll House Shop

241 East Green Street

Westminster, Maryland 21157

410-840-3408 / 888-716-7493

<https://www.facebook.com/Gibbys-Dollhouse-Shoppe-813915115306164/>

Granny's Little Things

2711 Egret Way

Frederick, MD 21701

301-299-7310

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<https://grannys-minis.com/>

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611 Tony Tank Lane

Salisbury MD 21801

347-524-9569

<https://www.itsybitsymini.com/>

Stitches in Miniature

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410-323-7975

<http://www.stitchesinminiature.com/>

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Handcrafted Miniatures, Furniture & Accessories

10308 Buckmeadow Lane

Damascus, MD 20872

301-253-5664 - Hours by Appointment

sheltielover30@hotmail.com

Virtual Dollhouse, The Store

5137 Hoffmanville Road

Millers, Maryland 21102-2234

410-239-2377 - Hours by appointment

<http://www.virtualdollhouse.net/>

Weelittlestudio - Julie

Bel Air, MD

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/weelittlestudio>

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Artisan and Vintage Miniatures 1:12 Scale

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Gloucester, VA 23061

<https://dollhousediggs.com/>

https://www.etsy.com/shop/DollhouseDiggs?ref=profile_header

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What has your Club been up to?

(Tell us all about it!)

MiniMisfits of Damascus (Sue Ketchum's Club) has been doing a project each year that warms your heart. Started by Jennifer Cofone four years ago, she works with the local Foodbank to identify a family whose young child would love a dollhouse for Christmas (from *Santa*). The Club really comes together to redecorate the house each year. It's a lot of fun and the end results are always amazing! Below are just a few of the houses MiniMisfits has completed and donated (the top left house is still in progress for this year's donation).

