



National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts

N-3 Summer, 2024 Newsletter

Summer is quickly coming to an end. The children are getting ready to go back to school. Our outdoor activities and chores are still in full swing. We bask in the long days and the sun. How do we make time for our miniatures? Maybe it is just stopping for a moment and enjoying our treasures.

2024 National Convention

Old Southern Charm Bed & Breakfast



Franklin, Tennessee was host to our annual convention.

The theme was Old Southern Charm but the goal of NAME is to bring the organization into the 21st century.

Registration was done for the first time totally online.

The convention filled in the first 30 minutes of registration. Out of 350 attendees, 70 were first timers.

It was attended by old and new members. There was

also two representatives on behalf of Becky G.'s podcast "Mad About Miniatures". Things are changing fast in our hobby although most of us agree that there is nothing like meeting one on one and sharing our talents.

Dolly Wyttenberg and her daughter, Bonnie Leshner, were the bells of the Old Southern Ball. They never got

to relax. Everyone wanted to take their pictures.

Debbie Young designed the Thursday Night project after the convention logo. With the help of her husband, Jeff Packard, they cut 100 kits. For the first time people that did not attend the convention were invited to participate in the night's fun through Zoom. We celebrated the evening with a Pajama Party. With all the fun, the project was only glued together. Painting and decorating was left for us to complete at home. The design allowed adding lights, wallpaper and additional doors. The teachers shared some finished projects. We all left with plenty of ideas for our Bed and Breakfast get aways.



Awards were given out at the business meeting on Saturday. Cindy Bottasso received the N-3 Regional Ambassador Award for all the good work she does for our hobby. She works hard at sharing her knowledge and the kits that she makes with her laser cutter. She designed the last Oregon State Day Treehouse project. She has agreed to help with our Regional Retreat, and attends most of our regional miniature shows. Thank you Cindy for all your good work.





Portland Miniature Show
October 19 & 20, 2024
Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM
Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM

Where the world's nicest people congregate!

Holiday Inn at the Portland Airport
 8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland, OR 97220



Mini Acres

A neighborhood called 'Mini Acres' with houses of all descriptions for sale – old, new, pristeen, handyman fixer-uppers, kits. Sign up now to bring your own to sell, or be prepared to buy one you love.

Door prizes called frequently

- Dollhouses, room boxes, vignettes
- Dolls, accessories, building components
- Hand-crafted and commercial miniatures
- Exquisite exhibits galore
- Friendly vendors to answer your questions!
- Drawings and door prizes
- Classes

Adults \$8 • Under 12 free

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NAME Annual Membership Renewals !!!!!!!!!!!!!



**ALL RENEWAL NOTICES ARE NOW BEING EMAILED
TO THE EMAIL ADDRESS WE HAVE ON FILE FOR YOU!**

Renewal notices will no longer be mailed to you if you have an email on file. Please make sure you mark your calendar so you remember to watch for that renewal email or to remind you to renew online at

<HTTPS://MINIATURES.JOURNEYCARE.APP/MEMBERSHIP-OPTIONS>

Or visit www.miniatures.org and click on "Time To Renew" in the pink box on the right side of page.



Once you have renewed online, by phone or by mail, your updated membership card will automatically be emailed to you directly from the membership database.

You will no longer receive your membership card by mail.

DONT FORGET TO WATCH YOUR SPAM AS WELL!

miniatures.org to join NAME

Region N-3 Retreat

Plans are coming together on our March 28-30, 2025 Retreat. At the regional meeting held in Franklin it was agreed that our region will pickup part of the cost. We are looking at checking in at 4:00 pm on Friday and checking out by 2:00 on Sunday. Tentative plans are to have a garage sale Friday night. Saturday will be spent working on our own projects with rotating "Home Improvement" discussions throughout the day. Sunday will be the last of our gatherings and saying fair wells.

The retreat will be a great opportunity to meet new friends and spend time with members that we have not seen for a while. Meals are provided so we can spend our

time playing. The workroom will be available for those that like to work late and those that wake up early. The building will be for us to use so we can leave our projects and return anytime. Signup forms will be available at the Portland Miniature Show NAME table and in the October and January Newsletters. Attendance will be limited to 50 N-3 members.

Cost Person \$238.00

N-3 contribution \$100.00

Net cost to attendee \$138.00



Our miniatures can take many forms. These projects were Show & Tells at the Eugene Miniatures Club. The teapot was created by Victoria, age 16. The Fairy Closet was made by Harriet, age 11, for her mother. The chicken roost was brought in by Joann Snyder. It is so exciting to see the young people attending the meetings.

Remember to check out the NAME websites
miniatures.org

&

create.miniatures.org

NAME is currently working with cutters to produce past year NAME Day Projects. If there is one that you missed you can either go to the Gazette archives or contact the Gazette listed cutters.

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Mini Les Bois (C-311)

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Meets Every other month on 1st Saturday

Oregon

Eugene Miniatures Club

Contact Joanne Snyder (541) 343-0004

Meets 1st Monday of the month except for holidays

Southern Oregon Miniaturists

Central Point

Contact Bonnie Doggett (541) 664-6119

Meets 2nd Monday of the month

Small World Miniature Club of Beaverton

Contact Cathy Ellis-O'Brien (503) 702-3518

Meets 4th Thursday of the month

Portland Lilliput Miniature Club

Contact Georgia Queen (503) 472-2618

Meets every Wednesday

Washington

#1 Skagit Miniaturists

Contact Judy Argyle (360) 770-5150

Meets 3rd Monday of the Month

Puget Sound Mini Misers

Contact Eileen Baker (206) 932-1327

Meets Saturdays

Spokane Miniature Society

Contact Vicki Collier (208) 667-7553

Meets 4th Tuesday of the Month

Yaki - Mini of Yakima
Contact Mary Johnson (509) 452-3555
Meets 3rd Tuesday of the Month



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