

small talk

N.A.M.E. Region N-1 Newsletter Spring 2019 Issue No. 40
Representing: Arizona; New Mexico; So. Nevada; El Paso, Texas and So. California



Regional Coordinator Message

Happy Spring Everyone. The daffodils are gently nodding and soaking up Spring flowers. The Online Houseparty is well underway and my table already exchanged swaps. Wow. Everyone is so talented. The table did agree to a theme beforehand, medieval, and it is amazing how well everything went together. We also decided to do the Robin's Nest from Petite Properties and all the lovely ideas were truly inspiring. There are so many avenues to pursue. Workshops and luncheons are still open. And there is the National Convention in Nashville. So much to look forward as the year continues to unfold. I hope that everyone is having a fantastic year so far. All the best, Sarah.

Your Website

Don't forget about the website! We're always looking for photos of NAME events in your area, announcements about upcoming events and shows, places to go to see miniatures, etc. Don't know where the website is? It's here: <https://n1.miniatures.org/>

Send submissions to Janet Smith at: desertminis@gmail.com



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Club News

Albuquerque Mini Makers

Susan Sheridan

NM State Rep & President, Albuquerque Mini Makers

Albuquerque Mini Makers have started this year with a few fun workshops.

We had a very nice display at the Esther Bone Library during the month of January.

Thank you to our members who shared their miniatures for the display. We had representation of all scales. January meeting we worked on the half or quarter scale Vanity and Dressing screen taught by Christiane Starks, February we all learned how to use an embossing heater to shrink items on shrink art paper by Jeri Stephan-Debuty. March we had a presentation on favorite tools and glues by Rose Furlong. Had a nice display of her tools, including a list of glues and how to use them handout. Everyone was asked to bring their favorite tools to show and tell how they use them when working with their miniatures.



Vanity and Dressing Screen

We are planning to host another NAME Day Craft Table in all scales on Saturday, Oct 19 all day which includes breakfast snacks, drinks, potluck luncheon, raffles, exhibit, gift exchange and TV Tray sales.

A few of our members are participating in the Around the World Online convention and planning to meet for the Thursday Evening project at one of our members home for dinner and project building. So we are all looking forward to this event.



Tool Display



Shrink Art Paper Minis



Library Display by AMM

San Diego Miniature Crafters

Debi Cerone

State Rep San Diego and Imperial Counties

In the News and on the Move...

Every year before our Miniature Show and Sale we send a press release to all the news station hoping one will feature us. Two days before the show, we got a call from one of the local stations and they were interested! Only drawback was we had one y two days to pull together exhibits and makers, as they wanted to show miniaturists at work. We were told we'd show our work in the studio, but little did we know the studio set was outdoors (cold! windy!). So there we were at the news station at 6am ready to show our stuff. Right after the Chinese New Years dancers, chefs from Sea World cooking and the live pig, it was time to quickly set up two tables of exhibits and a table for demonstrations. San Diego Miniature Crafter members Julia Tollafield, Michael Sue Nanos and Sheila McKisic did some demos as they were interviewed by the anchor. As always, everyone on set was captivated by the incredible detail of the exhibit pieces and the skill of our artisans.

It seemed to capture the interest of a lot of San Diegans as well, because we had a record number of attendees at our 45th Annual Show. We were thrilled to have 550 paid attendees through the door on Saturday and 250 on Sunday, not counting children under 8, Sunday returnees, club members and dealers. The show featured almost 70 dealer tables, plus workshops, kids and adult classes and a very successful opportunity drawing benefitting our philanthropy; the San Pasqual Academy. Check our website for our new location in 2020: www.sdminiatureshow.com

See you at next year's show!



LAS VEGAS MINIATURE ENTHUSIASTS

Janet Gordon
Southern Nevada State Rep., President, LVME

Save the dates! We are happy to announce **Nevada State Day, October 23-24, 2020.** Our theme is perfect for the Fall—"All Hallows Fantasy." We have a different and exciting format planned for the event and for the projects. But—no details yet. Watch this space.

Janet Downing led a workshop in making plants from duct tape and wire. With a little bit of ink or paint, they looked fantastic.

Ginger Landon Siegel led a workshop for us, "A Weathered Garden Shelf." Once again we are happy that she chose Las Vegas to be a snowbird.

Lorrilee Stackhouse gave a workshop in making books with preprinted pages.

And we welcomed two new member--Liana Miller and Kathy Rasco.

We shall be busy planning Nevada State Day and our group dollhouse for charity. Plenty to keep us busy indoors as we head into summer in the desert. Join us the third Saturday of each month from 10am to 1pm and check our website, lvminiatures.org.



Workshop from
Ginger Landon
Siegel



Workshop from Lorrilee Stackhouse



Book Example
from the Lorrilee
Stackhouse
Workshop



Enjoying the
workshop from
Janet Downing



Workshop from Janet Downing

From the Phoenix Miniature Show

Ginger Anderson,
State Rep, No. Arizona

The Phoenix Miniature Show was fortunate to have some wonderful dealers and exhibits. We let the visiting patrons vote for their favorite exhibits in 1/12 and small scale. There was a tie for first place in 1 inch scale between Connie Suave "Sand Lot" and Roger & Jane Holm. 2nd place went to Alexis Sharif. Small Scale ribbon winners were 1st place- Joyce Puma, 2nd Maureen McPherson and 3rd Robert Ravenwood.

We also had a really great children's free make-and-take project. We have children return every year because they love getting to make miniatures.

The Winners and their Winning Miniatures:



The Children's Project:



Announcements and Upcoming Events

Region N-1 Events, Dates and Locations

October 19, 2019

NAME Day, Albuquerque, NM

For more info, email Susan Sheridan at ssheridan@q.com

February 29-March 1, 2020

42nd Annual Phoenix Doll House Miniature Show and Sale

Where: Arizona State University West, 4701 West Thunderbird, Glendale, AZ

For more info: <http://phoenixminiatures.com/>

October 3-4, 2020

Nevada State Day

More info to come

N.A.M.E. Events, Dates and Locations

May 15-19, 2019

Around the World in Eight Days, Online Houseparty

Where: Online

For more info: <https://miniatures.org/AroundTheWorld> and

<http://www.nameonlinehouseparty.org/>

July 18-21, 2019

A Little Bit Country; Shabby or Chic, 2019 National Convention

Where: Nashville, TN

For more info: <https://miniatures.org/2019Nashville>

September 27-29, 2019

All About the Neighborhood

Where: Pittsburgh, PA

For more info: <https://miniatures.org/2019Pittsburgh>

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Submissions for the Fall Issue are due by October 15th.

The editor welcomes articles containing news about club activities, events, displays, etc. Please keep club reports to 400 words and no more than six pictures.

The editor needs to occasionally change font size, crop photos, and move things around to make things fit. Please submit text in .doc or .txt format (text in email is just fine), photos in .jpg format. If you submit flyers in .pdf format, please assure they are one page flyers only.

Events, updates, other timely information, and past volumes of the newsletter may also be found on the Regional Web Site: <https://n1.miniatures.org/>. Remember that your region relies solely upon volunteers and has no budget for mailings. You are encouraged to share this newsletter with your mini friends who do not have access to the internet.

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