

# small talk

N.A.M.E. Region N-1 Newsletter Winter 2016 Issue No. 30  
Representing: Arizona; New Mexico; So. Nevada; El Paso, Texas and So. California



## Regional Website:

Have you checked out the N1 website recently? It's being updated! But we still have a ways to go. Please send any event information or photos of events or links to your clubs that aren't already listed to **Janet Smith** at [desertminis@gmail.com](mailto:desertminis@gmail.com). The website is only as up-to-date as YOU make it! See us at: **name-n1.org**. Many thanks to Noëlla Slater for providing hosting for our website!

## Club News:

### Las Vegas Miniature Enthusiasts, Las Vegas, Nevada

Submitted by Janet Gordon, Southern Nevada State Rep

Miniatures are fun, regardless of one's age. In the past few months, grandchildren of our members have participated in making minis.

Jaxson McCoy, Sharon Wechsler's grandson, made his own "Sweet Dreams" bed for our Summerlin Library display.



Caity Stackhouse (a NAME member herself), worked alongside her grandparents, Lorrilee and John Stackhouse, here with Lorrilee and Ana Conroy, to help us get ready for NEVADA STATE DAY on April 8 - 9, 2016.

Lilly helped her grandma, Debbie Cochran, paint our *Elegant Art Deco Entryway* for next April.





Check out the Sept. /Oct. issue of *Miniature Gazette* to see last year's library display in an article by Lorrilee Stackhouse. Each member created a bookend featuring one letter of the alphabet. We've been busy with our NAME Day project and getting ready for Nevada State Day but Ana Conroy made time to make some "match box" miniature scenes.



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## Minis in Paradise, Scottsdale, Arizona

Submitted by Robert Ravenwood

We have an ART DECO theme for our 2015 club year.

Art Deco design was not just about exquisite buildings and furniture; it included high fashion as well. **Mary Visner** and **Carole Jarchow** filled that niche with a beaded evening bag taught by **Mary** and a red party dress brought to us by **Carole**.



**Alexis Sharif** finished out our year with a lovely slipper chair for a ladies boudoir. Everyone provided their own fabric and the results were pretty spectacular. **Betty Knoche** included many of our art deco projects in a great room box project showing a ladies dressing room.



Our annual holiday party on December 3, 2015 was a big success and was an enjoyable evening of friendship, food and gifts. Thank you **Jean Tomes** for hosting the group in your home.

Until next time, Happy mini-making!



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San Diego Miniature Crafters (<http://sdminiatureshow.com>) has jumped into the social media scene and invite you to Follow Us

Pinterest: <http://www.pinterest.com/sdminishow/>

Facebook: [Facebook.com/sdminiatures](https://www.facebook.com/sdminiatures)

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## “WELCOME TO MY GARDEN”, SEATTLE JULY 17-24, 2016

Registration opens January 29, 2016. The Seattle Steering committee has been busy working on plans for our Convention. See the NAME web page for pictures and information. <https://miniatures.org/2016Seattle> Pre-convention workshops, registered workshops, theme luncheons, Breakfast in the Garden, and the Youth Workshop are posted with descriptions. It is going to be a difficult decision to decide which ones to take. They are all fantastic!!



Saturday morning join Georgia Queen, Jean Lierman, Barbara Thornton Hill and their gardening helpers for Breakfast in the Garden. After a breakfast buffet they will guide us through creating a wonderful scene that will hold all your souvenirs and special gifts. There will be lots of surprise gifts and a raffle for items that will also work in your Garden Scene. This workshop will be limited to 200 attendees. \$65 will cover your meal and all the fun!! You don't want to miss out on this opportunity!

Bring a donation for the TreeHouse Charity and your name will be in a drawing for a darling little garden cottage made by Rosemary Shipman and Abby Carlson.

Participate in swaps, design and teach a Round Table Class or a Mega Round Table Class.... Bring your money for buying roundtable kits! Enjoy a Salesroom filled with wonderful things to buy.... We have 60+ dealers. Souvenirs will be wonderful.... You won't want to miss out on the fun in our Garden.

Consider bringing an exhibit to share, donate items for door prizes or bring a Houseparty Helper to help raise funds for NAME. Consider making tote bag favors. Items are also needed for the NAME auction that will be held Friday evening. Join us in the Garden for the party!

There will be 5 Free Home Improvement Seminars held during the convention. A wonderful tour of Seattle is planned. The NAME board will have a Gala planned for attendees.

Centerpieces have been designed by Debbie Young..... several groups across the country have been busy making these wonderful works of art. You don't want to miss out on these gems....



Special Youth Workshop will be held for youth registered at the convention (age 5-15). Sally Lonn and Marcia Beardsley have planned a wonderful fairy garden workshop. The cost will be \$25 to cover supplies. This will be made in 3 sessions. July 20 Wednesday 1:30pm – 3:30 pm, July 21 Thursday 10:00 am – 11:30 am, and July 22 Friday 10:00 am – 11:30 pm.

Public Day will be on Saturday July 23 and Sunday July 24. There will be a wonderful project for youth attending public day, and a scavenger hunt in the hospitality room.





Youth attending Public day may work on this darling free project. The background art work was generously donated by Robin Betterly for this little garden scene. Invite all your friends to come and enjoy our displays, sales room, and share what our miniature world is all about.

Registration form is available in the fall/winter Gazette or online at <https://miniatures.org/2016Seattle>

Don't miss out ..... plan to join us. "Welcome to My Garden" Seattle July 17-24, 2016.

Leanne Kirsch, Chair

Debbie Young, Co-Chair

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

## Region N-1 Events, Dates and Locations

❖ *Saturday, February 6 & Sunday, February 7, 2016, San Diego, CA – 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Miniatures Show & Sale*, Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego, CA [www.sdminiatureshow.com](http://www.sdminiatureshow.com)

❖ *March 12 & 13, 2016, Phoenix, AZ – Phoenix Miniatures Show & Sale*, ASU West, La Sala Rooms, 4701 W. Thunderbird Rd., Saturday – 10 am to 5 pm, Sunday – 11 am to 4 pm  
[www.phoenixminiatures.com](http://www.phoenixminiatures.com)

❖ *Saturday, April 9, 2016, Las Vegas, NV 89108 – Nevada State Day*, The Holy Spirit Church-Parish Hall, 6670 W. Cheyenne, Las Vegas, NV 89108 – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, fee: \$80. Theme: **ELEGANT ART DECO ENTRY WAY** (1" scale).

Contact: Corena Wickett @ [HianHeart@aol.com](mailto:HianHeart@aol.com), website: <http://lvminiatures.wix.com/home#!nv-state-day-2016> Optional: *Friday, April 8, 2016, Pizza and Roundtables*, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, fee: \$30.

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

❖ *July 21–24, 2016, Seattle, WA – 2016 NAME National Convention, Welcome to My Garden*, (see the article above)

❖ *July 27-30, 2017, Alexandria, VA - 2017 NAME National Convention, Come to the Circus*

❖ *July 2018 - 2018 NAME National Convention, Sweet Tea & Sunshine – a Southern Celebration*

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Submissions for the Winter Issue are due by November 1st.

The editor welcomes articles containing news about club activities, events, displays, etc. Please keep club reports to approx. 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; **no PDF files please.*** Articles may be submitted as a WORD document, by email to

[rravenwood55@aol.com](mailto:rravenwood55@aol.com)

Events, updates, other timely information, and past volumes of the newsletter may also be found on the Regional Web Site <http://www.name-n1.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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