



National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts

Only through sharing can we truly enjoy our treasures.

NAME NEWS October 1st, 2026

🧡 Camp Make-A-Mini Has a New Twist!

We're spreading the miniature fun throughout the year! Beginning in 2028, Camp Make-A-Mini will move to February. But we couldn't let 2027 go by without a little camp magic, so join us for Summerween, June 25–27, 2027! We're looking for workshop instructors and Quick Mini dealers to help make it a wonderfully creative weekend. Have an idea to share? We'd love to hear from you! Check it out at miniatures.org and head to the Events tab at the top. 🧡 ✂️



👹 October Create Challenge: Fill Those Empty Shelves!

October's challenge is all about the little things that make a shelf come alive!

📖 ✨ From books and potion bottles to pantry staples and shop treasures, we want to see what you've tucked into your miniature shelves.

Show us your favorite shelf, bookcase, cupboard, or display!

- 📖 Books, curiosities & collectibles
- 🧪 Potions, jars & tiny bottles
- 🍲 Pantry shelves & kitchen cupboards
- 🛍️ Shop displays filled with treasures

From Melissa Simmons: I made approximately 120 individual potions, filling the shelves with colorful, filled bottles, tiny labels, and magical ingredients. It was a lot of little details, but that's what made this corner so much fun to create!



To participate, please include no more than two photos. If you have more, consider combining them into a single collage. A maximum of two projects may be shown across the photos or collages. Please submit your photos and a BRIEF description [here](#) or send them to [Preble McDaniel](#). Don't forget to include your

mailing address. After the end of the monthly challenge, you will receive a small thank you gift for participating.

🎄 ✨ **CREATE Annual Swap 2026** ✨ 🎄

It's time for the CREATE Annual Swap! This year's theme is "Centerpieces"—create something special for a table, buffet, coffee table, or other miniature setting.

Your centerpiece can be seasonal, holiday-themed, or perfect for everyday décor. Think flowers, candles, fruit, a tiny seasonal scene, a cornucopia, or anything your imagination inspires!

🎁 Make 7 items and receive 6 wonderful swaps in return. One item will be retained by Create for future use.

📅 Sign-up deadline: October 30

Visit us [here](#) to find the 2026 Holiday Swap to sign up and find the complete swap details and rules.

What amazing miniature centerpiece will you create?



Upcoming [Create-ive Offerings](#)

(Workshops and more)

October 16th, 2026

Which Witch with Cat Wingle

1" scale

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November 1st & 15th, 2026

A Day at the Beach with Sun Lemmens

1" scale



November 8th, 2026

Hippy Highball with Alician Pearce

1/4" scale



November 14th, 2026

Leaded Stained Glass-Style Miniature Window with Rafe Acevedo

1" scale



All other Create-ive Offerings are sold out. For more information on this or any other Create-ive Offerings, please check out the [website](#) for more information.

Quick Mini Sales Begin October 5!

Keep the NAME Day fun going with Quick Minis! Sales open October 5, so get ready to browse the offerings and choose a fun little project to spark your creativity. 🏠 ✨

Quick Mini Dealers

 **Share a Quick Mini!**

Do you have a fun little project that fellow miniaturists would love to make? Send us your Quick Mini submission and share a little creative inspiration with the miniature community! ❤️

If you are interested contact [Alician Pearce](#) Learn more [here](#).

 Get Ready for the October NAME Auction!

The October NAME Auction runs **October 5–10**, and we can't wait to see what's up for bid! Mark your calendar, browse the offerings, and join the fun—every bid helps support NAME and our miniature community. ❤️ Happy bidding! 🍁 ✨
Come see everything being offered this month [here](#).

1:48 Lakeside Log Cabin kit & More by Debbie Young



✨ **Dealer & Instructor Applications Now Open!**

Planning ahead for the 2027 NAME National Convention, “Glamping!” in Louisville, Kentucky? Applications are now being accepted for Dealers and Instructors for the August 12–15, 2027 convention.

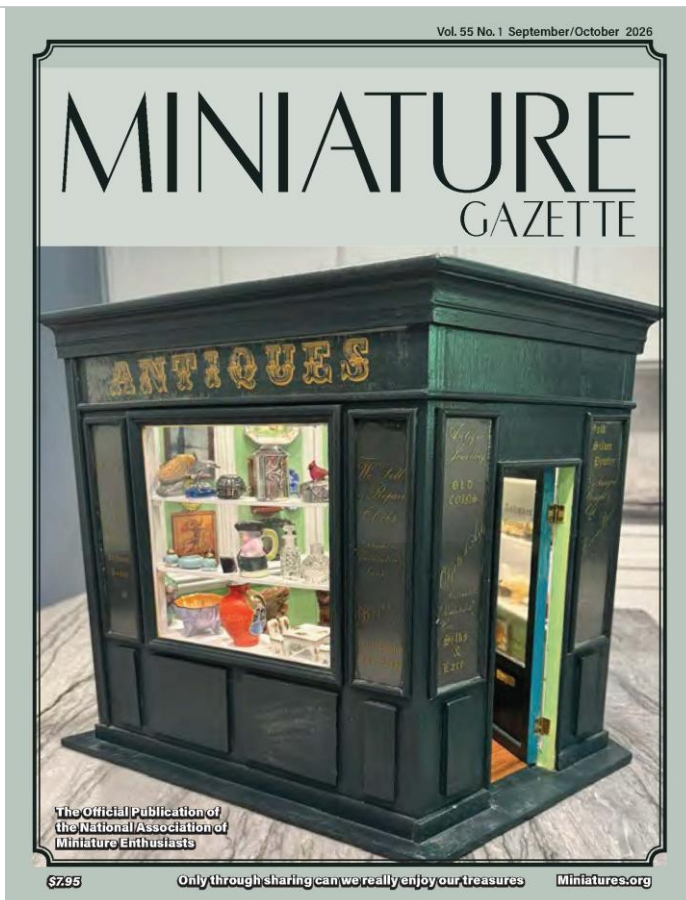
 Application Deadline: November 2, 2026

 Convention Dates: August 12–15, 2027

 Louisville, Kentucky

Applications and additional information are available [here](#).

September/October Miniature Gazette issue is available online now



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✦ There's Always Something Happening at NAME!

Looking for free miniature activities, live Zoom sessions, upcoming workshops, Create Shares, Gift & Gabs, monthly themes, or other ways to get involved? Whether you want to make minis, learn something new, teach a skill, or simply spend time with fellow miniaturists, there's always something to discover!

🖼️ Visit us [here](#) and [here](#) to see the CYLC September updates

📅 Be sure to check the [NAME Calendar](#) for dates and times of upcoming events, and visit miniatures.org to explore all the activities, opportunities, and miniature fun NAME has to offer!

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And don't forget to check out the [NAME Store](#) for miniature goodies, clothing, pins, and more!

Upcoming Miniature Shows



Looking for Upcoming Miniature Shows?

We're making it easier to keep up with miniature shows! Going forward, individual shows will no longer be listed in the newsletter. Instead, we'll provide a direct link to the [Miniatures.org Shows Calendar](#), where you can find the most current information on upcoming shows and events.

Be sure to check the calendar regularly so you don't miss a miniature event near you!