



July 8-11, 2010 – Valley Forge Convention Plaza – Valley Forge, PA

**MINIATURE HOBBY UNIVERSITY – EVENTS, CLASSES AND CONTESTS**

**OUR 5th ANNIVERSARY!**

The University Staff has prepared excellent hobby/painting events in an ongoing effort to improve our curriculum and give you an outstanding convention experience – our updated curriculum offers classes designed for every ability level of miniature painter. We have increased our staff of experienced hobbyists to give students an opportunity to learn new and different techniques. Even if you have taken a class previously, a different instructor will add to your repertoire of skills. We will be featuring: figures from Brigade Games, Reaper Miniatures, Splintered Light and Flames of War, scenery pieces from Acheson Creations, and Reaper Master Series Paints (a special *Thank You* to these companies!) Class sign up sheets will be in the University Area at the convention (see onsite program for details); Sheets go out in the morning for each day’s classes. Sign up early, as class space is limited.

<b>PAINTING EVENTS</b>
<p><b>Paint ‘n’ Take:</b> Will be in full force with a new selection of miniatures from <i>Brigade Games</i> and <i>Reaper Miniatures</i> to choose from as well as <i>Reaper Master Series Paints</i>. Participants receive one (1) free miniature. Our Painting staff will be on hand for tutorials, just ask. Additionally, feel free to bring miniatures painted at home for gentle critique and helpful hints for improving your skills. As always, this is free with your convention badge; it will be walk up! Thurs. 1-6 PM, Fri. &amp; Sat. 10 AM – 6 PM.</p>
<b>PAINTING CLASSES</b>
<p><b>Prepping &amp; Priming with Bonus “Pinning”:</b> These all-important first steps can be the difference between a masterpiece and a disaster. If you are serious about learning the business of painting and want your painted figures to stand the test of time this class is a MUST. <i>Do not overlook this critical step.</i> Thurs. 2 PM, Fri. &amp; Sat. 12 PM, 1.5 hrs. Instructor: Chris Vaughn; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Painting for Complete Beginners:</b> Students receive one primed 25mm miniature to paint and keep. Class covers prepping a figure, basic painting equipment, priming, color blocking, dry brushing and basic washes. Fri. 10 AM, Sat. 2 PM; 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Ed Dowgiallo; Sat. 4 PM; Instructor: Heather Blush; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Painting for Children:</b> Beginner’s level class specially geared toward our youngest hobbyists. We will go over basic brush care, simple color theory and give kids a nice solid grip on basic painting methods. Thurs. 2 PM – Instructor: Jim Stanton, Fri. &amp; Sat. 10 AM, 1.5 hrs Instructor: John Newman; <i>Sponsors: Brigade Games &amp; Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>NEW – Beginning Basing:</b> The finishing touch. Proper basing will make the difference between well turned out figures and ones that look “so, so” – take your soldiers to “the next level” and learn the basics for presenting nicely “finished” miniatures. Fri. 4 PM; Sat. 12 Noon; 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Dorothy Catapano.</p>
<p><b>Sculpting – The Basics:</b> Learn the foundation steps for creating your own miniatures. Everything you wanted to know about materials, tools, and techniques, but were afraid to ask will be covered by the infamous “sock puppet” sculptor, Don “Wee Sparky” Goddard, himself. Thurs. 4 PM, Fri. 12 Noon, Sat. 2 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Don Goddard; <i>Sponsor: Kraftmark/ProCreate.</i></p>
<p><b>Painting a 15mm Tank:</b> Come and learn how to paint a WWII FOW Tank. Yes, you read that correctly, Battlefront has donated FOW Tanks and we’re gonna teach you how to paint them! Class limited to 10 students; limited materials. Students get one Battlefront Tank to paint and keep. Fri. 2 PM, Sat. 4 PM; Instructor: Dorothy Catapano; <i>Sponsor: Battlefront USA.</i></p>
<p><b>Intermediate Painting:</b> For everyone who has learned the basics and is ready for the next step, this is it. If you’ve tried dry brushing and inking your models and you’d like to do more, this class will help you move to the next level. Covers layering, glazing, and other techniques Sat. 2 PM; Instructor: Erin Warfield; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Paper Modeling for Beginners:</b> Student will receive a 28mm paper model to build and take home. Class covers basic safety, materials, printing, scoring, edging, and other useful skills. Bringing your own hobby knife (X-Acto type) is appreciated, but not necessary. <i>Please note that due to safety concerns, i.e. the use of sharp knives, no children under age 15 will be allowed to cut or score paper models; parents must attend to provide help.</i> Fri. &amp; Sat. 10 AM; Instructor: Joe McGuire.</p>

<p><b>Painting the 28mm Face:</b> The ever important “how to” for that extra tricky area, the face. Eyes, female features and MORE (makeup, eyebrows, lips, skin, 5 o’clock shadow, moustaches, etc.) Fri. 12 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Erin Warfield; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Beginning Mold Making:</b> Come learn the basics of creating your own molds to further your terrain and mini knowledge. Fri. 10 AM, Sat. 12 PM, Instructor: Shawn “Moe” Reis.</p>
<p><b>Painter’s Tools &amp; Supplies:</b> This class will cover discussions on paints, inks, brushes, paint additives and other tips and tricks for better painting. You’ll get important information on where and how to purchase great supplies inexpensively and as a bonus, we’ll demo how to make an inexpensive “wet” palette at home. Fri. 4 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Heather Blush.</p>
<p><b>Scenery Painting:</b> Scenery painting is a different skill set from painting most miniatures. Come receive a 28mm terrain piece to paint and keep (terrain provided by Acheson Creations). We’ll even show you how to finish your piece for a professional look. Fri. 12 PM &amp; Sat. 2 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Dorothy Catapano; <i>Sponsor: Acheson Creations.</i></p>
<p><b>Painting Skin Tones:</b> Are those naked celts giving you a hard time, does your Amazon army need help. Come learn how to paint skin tones – proper color choices will be covered. Sat. 2 PM; Instructor: Erin Warfield; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Sculpting II:</b> For those who have taken “The Basics” and practiced on their own – Don will lead students over the hurdles they are experiencing. <i>This class is NOT for beginners but rather those who have done some sculpting on their own and is ready for more advanced instruction.</i> Instructor: Don “Wee Sparky” Goddard. A review of tools, various putties and resources available. Fri. 4 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Don Goddard; <i>Sponsor: Kraftmark/ProCreate.</i></p>
<p><b>Advanced Mold Making: The 2 Part Mold.</b> Come learn the next steps of creating your own molds to further your terrain and mini knowledge. Fri. 2 PM, Sat. 4 PM, Instructor: Shawn “Moe” Reis.</p>
<p><b>Painting the “2 Footer” (Figures that look amazing from 2 feet away):</b> This class is so great 3 of our instructors rescheduled their classes so that they can take it! Teaches a unique painting style using <i>all</i> Craft paints and of all things Brown primer to create incredibly crisp, clean paint jobs that look amazing on the gaming table. Features Brigade Games Gnome Wars figures. Sat. 10 AM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Jim Stanton; <i>Sponsor: Brigade Games.</i></p>
<p><b>Working with Mediums:</b> No, there is no crystal ball and we're not going to join hands with Madame Kartuski! This class will discuss what various acrylic mediums can do for you in working with paint and then let you experiment with what several types and mixes of mediums actually do. There will be brushes and paint you can use, and you can bring your own prepped mini or we'll have some available. A handout will also be provided covering many of the most-popular mediums in use by the miniatures painting hobby. Thurs. 4 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Heather Blush; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Painting a Unit:</b> Focus will be painting multiple figures at once and getting consistent results. Students will learn step by step how to paint 5 figures at one time during this class. Thurs. &amp; Fri. &amp; Sat. 4 PM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Loren Marshall; <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>Naval Painting: Age of Sail.</b> Focus is on basic sailing ship painting: decks, sides, masts, sails, and details. Each participant works on a pre-assembled model. Fri. 2 PM, Sat. 10 AM, 1.5 hrs; Instructor: Ed Dowgiallo; <i>Sponsor: The Tactical Retreat.</i></p>
<p><b>PAINTING CONTESTS</b></p>
<p><b>Speed Painting:</b> Do you think you have what it takes to compete? You get 1 hour to paint 1 mini to the best of your ability. Prizes – paint sets, mini blisters, and more – for the best figure. Sat. 4 PM, 1 hr. <i>Sponsor: Reaper Miniatures.</i></p>
<p><b>The Bring In Painting Contest:</b> See info elsewhere in this brochure. Deadline to enter is Sat. 1 PM.</p>
<p><b>The Iron Paintbrush:</b> See info elsewhere. Sat. 8 PM</p>

Questions, comments or suggestions; contact Heather Blush, Painting Event’s Coordinator: [hjblush@gmail.com](mailto:hjblush@gmail.com)