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Artist Doll & Teddy Bear Convention

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A wonderful collection of talented artists and their one-of-a-kind dolls along with doll collectors assembled for the doll portion of the Quinlan Convention, May 3-5, 2012, in Philadelphia. The combination of doll artists and teddy bear artists at this convention gave opportunities for interesting and helpful sharing of information between these two groups.

The 2013 dates for the convention are May 2-4. For a registration fee of just \$195 you receive six buffet meals, three receptions, access to all sessions as well as sales rooms, and artist dealers are also given a sales table! The price is right and can't be beat. Many thanks to the Quinlans for this wonderful opportunity to gather together.

Mark the dates on your 2013 calendar and plan to attend. ■



Helen Bullard Doll Artist Award Winners, as voted by the doll collectors, Stephanie Blythe, Into the Woods and Mark Dennis, Rescue. Helen Bullard Doll Artist Award Winner, as voted by the doll collectors, Mark Dennis, Rescue and Diane Keeler, Procession.



Into the Woods by Stephanie Blythe



Nancy Cronin doll artist



Doll artist Lillian Alberti



Sculpting Small Beautiful Hands workshop with Diane Keeler.



Rescue by Mark Dennis



Procession by Diane Keeler

Doll Party GALA 2012

BY JOAN STEPHENS

The Doll Party GALA 2012 Glamour! Glitz! Glory! Glory! Glory Be! Americana! (a dollmakers' mini conference) was held at Punderson Resort in Newbury, Ohio, May 18-20, 2012. It was truly an amazing and memorable dollmakers' get-away weekend experience!

Premier dollmaking teachers Lillian Alberti, Susan Barmore, Arley Berryhill, Deanna Hogan and Cyndi Mahlstadt were specifically chosen to design their dolls and conduct their classes following a patriotic theme. They did so with brilliance familiar to many of their fans and followers. Their model dolls were phenomenal, as were their classes which led their students to outstanding accomplishments of their own.

Without a doubt, the occasion left an indelible mark of satisfaction on the minds, hearts and spirits of all those who organized, taught, contributed or attended this fourth GALA experience hosted by The Doll Gatherers who meet in Aurora, Ohio.

The Doll Gatherers, DGdolling@aol.com.



The Doll Party GALA was held at beautiful Punderson Manor Resort & Conference Center in Newbury, Ohio.



Smiles were ear to ear at the Banquet celebration. Mistress of Ceremonies, Doll Gatherer Karen Smith (center) kept the gathering in stitches.



Instructor Lillian Alberti explains her method to create expressive doll hands.



Instructor Arley Berryhill shows how to make various felt hats for dolls.



Registrants of the GALA came from all over the country. Yet no one traveled as far as Mameerat Romtrairat who came to the event all the way from Bangkok, Thailand.



Instructor Susan Barmore demonstrates a bit of paper doll folk art.



Instructor Deanna Hogan is complimented on her beautiful dolls as these ladies await Deanna's presentation on making unique "wings" for dolls.



Instructor Cyndi Mahlstadt prepares for her demo for making press molds.



Online classmates met personally at The Doll Party GALA 2012. Left to right: Mameerat Romtrairat from Bangkok, Thailand, Vicki Petticond from Bainbridge, Ohio, and Christine Hamilton from Southland, Michigan.



Mother of the Bride exhibit. The majority of these dolls costumed by the imagination of each dollmaker who used the same Jill Maas "Mother of the Bride" doll pattern to create a specific guest at a wedding.