



You are invited to our 2020 International Convention for doll enthusiasts of all kinds. We are known for fun, education and inspiration! Whether you love to sew costumes for your dolls, make accessories or just want to learn from the experts, you will not want to miss this event. Fun workshops and a great dolly family. And we're meeting in Memphis!! **Newcomers welcome!**

- Welcome Party for early arrivals
- Pre-convention Sightseeing Tour
- Post-convention Seminar
- Hands-on Mini and Full Workshops, many for DAGSD credit
- Fabulous Lectures and Demonstrations by top dollmaking experts
- Special Themed Luncheon
- Gala Theme Dinner and Costume Party
- Exclusive Souvenir Mold and other gifts
- Sales Room with dolly treasures
- D.A.G. Dollmaking Competition
- D.A.G. School of Dollmaking Graduation and Competition
- Award Ceremony
- And lots more!

Sign up today! Space is limited in convention hotel and for pre-convention bus tour. Early registration discounts apply through June 30, 2019.

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Tentative Convention Program

Tuesday, October 27

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM Welcome Reception for early arrivals

Wednesday, October 28

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM Pre-convention bus tour*
 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Competition – Early registration
 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM Pick up Registration Packets

Thursday, October 29

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Pick up Registration Packets
 DAG Booth/Helpers
 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM Hand in Competition Dolls*
 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Hands-on Workshops*
 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Hands-on Workshops*
 Free Lectures and Demonstrations
 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM Official Welcome
 Souvenir Presentation
 Dessert Party, Silent Auction

Friday, October 30

7:00 AM – Noon Sales Room set up
 8:00 AM – 11:30 AM Mini Workshops*
 8:00 AM – 11:00 DAG Booth/Helpers
 Noon – 5:00 PM Sales Room (Open to participants only)
 DAG Booth/Helpers
 Hands-on Workshops*
 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM Celebration Dinner
 8:00 PM – 9:30 PM DAGSD Graduation and Awards Ceremony

Saturday, October 31

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Hands-on Workshops*
 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Sales Room (Open to everyone)
 DAG Competition Exhibit
 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Open to everyone)
 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Free Lectures and Demonstrations
 Special Doll Luncheon*
 Noon – 1:00 PM Pick up Competition Dolls
 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM Gala Dinner
 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM The Music of Our Lives
 8:30 PM - costume party with prizes

* Separate sign up and/or fee required.



Memphis, Tennessee

The largest city on the Mississippi River, Memphis is known as “The Home of Blues, Soul and Rock ‘n Roll”. Music legends Elvis Presley, B. B. King, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Isaac Hayes and many others got their start in Memphis. In no other city in the country can you find the very roots of the music so unique to America. The city is home to many museums devoted to the origins of Memphis music, including Graceland, the home of Elvis; Sun Studio, where he recorded his first hit; Memphis Rock ‘n Soul Museum; Stax Museum of American Soul Music; Memphis Music Hall of Fame; and the

Blues Hall of Fame. And let’s not forget that you can enjoy live music in the clubs of Beale Street. Memphis is also home to the Civil Rights Museum, Memphis Zoo, Pink Palace Museum and many other places popular with tourists. There is something for everyone in Memphis.

Check it out at www.memphistravel.com.



Hilton Memphis 939 Ridgelake Blvd. Memphis, TN 38120

Experience a warm Southern welcome at this beautiful 27-story luxury high rise, located in the heart of East Memphis business district. The hotel is surrounded by fantastic shopping venues and a multitude of great restaurants offering varied cuisines. The hotel is only a 15-minute drive from Memphis International Airport and only 18 miles from the downtown riverfront area. The hotel just completed an \$11 million renovation. Guest

rooms offer complimentary wi-fi, Keuring coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and ironing board, refrigerator and flat screen TV. Hotel offers complimentary parking, complimentary airport shuttle, fitness center, heated pool and spa, business center, two restaurants, a lounge and room service. There is an Avis car rental desk on site. Service animals and pets allowed with deposit.

Special Convention Rate

The special convention room rate is a flat rate of \$149.00 per night, plus tax. If you wish to extend your stay, this special rate will also be available three days prior and three days following the convention, subject to availability at the time of registration.

After you have registered for the event, you will receive a confirmation email with hotel contact information and special group code for making your reservations. You must use the special code to receive the special rate. Space is limited, so sign up now if you want to stay at the hotel where the convention is being held. Cutoff date for making reservations is September 26, 2020.

Getting There:

The hotel is 10 miles from Memphis International Airport. The hotel provides a complimentary shuttle. Uber and Lyft are also options.

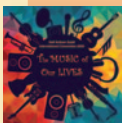
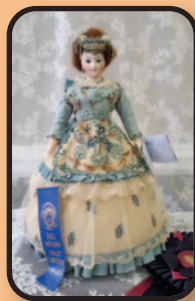
For more information about the hotel go to:
www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/tennessee/hilton-memphis-MEMPHHF/index.html

Doll Competition 2020

Join the excitement and enter your dolls in the world's most prestigious competition for porcelain dollmakers. Your work will be professionally evaluated. You may even win a Best of Category Rosette or a Top Award. We hope you will participate! We all enjoy seeing the creativity of all our members.

The Special Theme categories this year include:

- My Elvis Impersonation
- My Favorite Music
- Songs and Memories from My Childhood
- Tribute to Memphis, the Mighty Mississippi and all things Southern



(Yes, this made me laugh too!! We are going to have so much fun!!) Pick your favorite Elvis costume or movie and get to work! Or maybe you'll want to do a scene with the Beatles or your favorite Symphony Conductor. I know the grandkids will be asking for you to do a Rapp star! There is always your favorite song from childhood. And if these were not enough to spark interest, there is always a Tribute to Memphis with Southern Belles or maybe a gentleman ready to grill that famous bar-beque!



We can't wait to see what you will do!

Learn from Top Dollmaking Experts

Throughout the convention experience a first-class educational program of workshops, lectures and demonstrations provided by top doll experts from around the globe. Create fabulous doll projects in the hands-on and mini workshops. All workshops are reserved for full convention participants and family members.



A complete listing of workshops and the sign up form and information will be posted on the D.A.G. website at . Hands-on workshops will be filled on a "first come - first served" basis, so please sign up early. No advanced sign up required for mini workshops, but workshops do fill up fast. Arrive early on the morning of the mini workshops to choose the projects you would like to make.

Pre-Convention Welcome Reception on Tuesday Night

A pre-convention reception for early arrivals is planned for Tuesday, October 27, 7:30 - 9:00 PM at the hotel. Meet old friends and greet new ones as we get in the mood for the convention festivities to come! Family member registrants also welcome!

Pre-Convention Bus Tour on Wednesday

Join us on Wednesday, October 28, for a special pre-convention all-day tour. The details have not been worked out as of the printing of this invitation, but we can assure you that a stop at Graceland is in the cards! The Bus will pick you up and drop you off at the convention hotel.



Plan to arrive at convention early so you can join us on our traditional and very popular pre-convention excursion. Details will be available soon. Space will be limited, so sign up early.

Music of Our Lives Costume Party Saturday Night

Join us on Saturday for a fun-filled grand finale of good food, music and entertainment when we celebrate the "Music of Our Lives" theme. You will want to dress up as a Memphis musician or wear a costume that represents one of the many music genres of Memphis: rock 'n roll, rockabilly, country, gospel, blues and soul. The festivities will be topped off with special prizes awarded to the winners of the costume parade. Start planning your costume now!



Special Themed Doll Luncheon on Saturday

Our 2020 luncheon will feature a well-known D.A.G. artist who will be creating a special keepsake doll for those who sign up for the luncheon, Once the details are announced you will be able to sign up on the D.A.G. website or by calling Customer Service. Seating will be limited, so sign up early.

International Sales Room

You're sure to find the dolly treasures you have been looking for in the fabulous sales room on October 30 and 31. Stock up on those fabulous fabrics, ribbons, trims, accessories, tools, molds and other dollmaking products offered by vendors from around the world. Salesroom will be open to the general public on Saturday, October 31.



Dealers interested in booth space, please contact Sue Mitchell at (770) 949-1737 or suelmitchell6@aol.com.

Post-Convention DAG Seminar

Why not extend your stay in the Memphis area and treat yourself to a D.A.G. seminar? This year's seminar, which will be taught by one of the D.A.G.'s top artists, will focus on a fabulous costume for the 2020 souvenir doll. The souvenir doll is top secret, so we cannot divulge many details about the costume. Seminar information will be forthcoming early in 2020, and you will have a chance to sign up then. Space will be limited. You will receive 3 DAGSD credits for the seminar. Be sure to ask for the convention room rate when making reservations at the hotel. Book early while rooms are still available.

Registration Information

	Full Participant	Family member
Before February 28	\$430.00	\$230.00
Before June 30	\$460.00	\$240.00
After June 30	\$480.00	\$250.00

Full Participant Registration:

Includes Lectures and Demonstrations, Thursday night Dessert Party and Silent Auction, Friday Dinner and Awards Ceremony, Saturday Dinner and Costume Party, Top Secret Souvenir Gifts and unlimited access to Sales Room, DAG Competition and other exhibits. Full participants may register for workshops and enter in DAG Competition.

Non-members, please add one year membership fee. Members, check the label on your magazine to determine your expiration date before you sign up, Membership must be current for you to attend the event. See sign-up form.

Family Member Registration:

Includes Thursday night Dessert Party and Silent Auction, Friday Dinner and Awards Ceremony, Saturday Dinner and Costume Party and unlimited access to Sales Room, DAG Competition and other exhibits. Family members may also register for workshops. Family members limited to spouse, parents, siblings and children (ages 15 - 21) of full participants.

How to Sign Up

It's easy!

Sign up on our secure website: www.dollartisanguild.org
OR

Complete the sign-up form and choose:

Call DAG Customer Service: 607.432.4977

Fax it to: 607.441.1040

Mail it to: DAG, 233 Cherokee Trail,
Pensacola, FL 32506

Scan it and email the attachment to: info@dollartisanguild.org

PayPal, VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover accepted.

Upon receipt of your registration and payment, you will receive:

- Email confirmation with a RECEIPT attached. Please print and bring to Convention. This email will also include your hotel reservation code and contact information.
- Information and sign-up forms for DAG competition, Washops and more will be available at - Click on tab for CONVENTION.

Please note: If you do not provide an email address for confirmation please add \$15.00 for printed receipts/tickets, brochures and postage.

Registrations are non-refundable and non-transferrable. Cancellations received on or before July 31, 2020, will be refunded less \$100.00 administrative fee. No refunds will be issued after July 31, 2020, but souvenir gifts will be sent to you.

Looking for Table Hostesses and Donations for Helpers and Auction

Your donations of Convention Helpers and Auction items would be very much appreciated! We are also looking for table hostesses for Saturday night. Your support and assistance will help make the Convention a great success. Please contact Kitty Murks to donate a helper or auction item or for more information about volunteering as a table hostess: kmurks@aol.com

