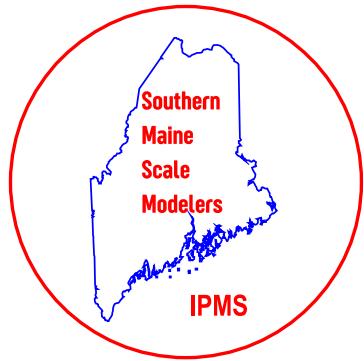


# DNWNEASTCON 2026

## A Plastic Model Contest and Display

Sponsored by the Southern Maine Scale Modelers Club/IPMS



## APRIL 12, 2026

**SANFORD MEMORIAL GYM**

**678 Main St., Sanford, ME 04073**



Make & Take—A model-building workshop for Kids



Raffles— Over 100 kits, tools and special items



Vendors—30+ tables of vendors from around New England



Food service available on site

### **TIMES & EVENTS**

Registration 9:00-11:30 AM (**NO EXCEPTIONS**)

Make & Take: 9:30-11:00 AM

### **DIRECTIONS TO DNWNEASTCON**

Traveling from the South on I-95:

Take exit 19, Turn right at stop onto Rt. 109  
Gym is 13.3 miles on right.

Traveling from the North on I-95:

Take exit 32, Turn right at stoplight onto Rt. 111  
Continue straight onto Rt. 202 at Alfred  
(~11.4 miles)  
Turn right onto Rt. 109/Main St. in Sanford  
(~3.9 miles)  
Gym is 1 mile on right.

### **ENTRY & ADMISSION FEES**

Model Entry: \$7.00 for the first  
5 models entered

\$1.00 for each additional entry

Junior Entry (17 and under): \$2.00 up to  
5 Models

General Admission: \$5.00

All kids (under 12) free with an Adult Admission

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Including Contest Entry Form(s)

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CATEGORIES:	AIRCRAFT	SHIPS
1	Prop 1/72 and smaller	34      Smaller than 1/400—All Types
2	Prop 1/48 Allied	35      1/400 and Larger—All Types
3	Prop 1/48 Axis	36      Submarines—All Types & Scales
4	Multi-Engine Prop smaller than 1/48	37      Out of Box—All Types & Scales (See Rule #4)
5	Multi-Engine Prop 1/48 to 1/33	
6	Jet 1/72 and smaller	38      FIGURES, DIORAMAS & VIGNETTES (Open Judging)
7	Jet 1/48	39      Mounted & Unmounted 54mm and smaller
8	All 1/32 and larger (except Rotary, Rigged & Multi-winged)	40      Mounted & Unmounted larger than 54mm
9	Rotary—All Scales	41      Fantasy Figures—All Types & Scales
10	Rigged and Multi-winged—larger than 1/72	42      Dioramas & Vignettes—All Types & Scales (See Rule #11)
11	Scratch-built, Vacu-forms and Conversion	
12	Out of Box—All Types & Scales (See Rule #4)	
	<b>ARMOR</b>	
	<b>** Includes open topped &amp; soft skinned (O/T &amp; S/S)</b>	
13**	AFV O/T & S/S 1/72-1/76	43      SCI-FI, REAL SPACE & GUNDAM (Open Judging)
14	AFV all closed top 1/72-1/76	44      Sci-Fi—All Types & Scales (except Gundam/Mecha)
15**	AFV O/T & S/S 1/48 and larger (WWII era 1939-1945)	45      Gundam/Mecha—All Types & Scales
16	AFV closed top 1/48 and larger (WWII era 1939-1945)	46      Real Space—All Types & Scales
17**	AFV O/T & S/S 1/48 and larger (all years EXCEPT WWII)	
18	AFV closed top 1/48 and larger (all years EXCEPT WWII)	
19	Scratch-built and Conversion—All Scales	
20	Ordinance—All Scales	
21	Out of Box—All Types & Scales (See Rule #4)	
	<b>VEHICLES</b>	
22	Cars smaller than 1/20, Stock—up to 1969	47      MISCELLANEOUS (Open Judging)
23	Cars smaller than 1/20, Stock—1970 & up	48      All Types & Scales—NOTE: For any model that doesn't fit in any other category. See Head Judge.
24	Custom—smaller than 1/20	
25	Competition—smaller than 1/20	
26	Light trucks & Vans smaller than 1/20	49      COLLECTIONS
27	Hot Rods & Street Rods 1948 & Older	50      All Scales 3 to 5 models of same type (See Rule #6)
28	Street Machines—1949 & Newer	
29	Cars, Truck, & Motorcycles—1/20 & Larger	
30	Large Trucks with GVW 1 ton & over	
31	Documented Civilian Vehicles—All Types & Scales (See Rule #5)	
32	Scratch-built and Conversions—All Scales	
33	Out of Box—All Types & Scales (See Rule #4)	
	<b>JUNIORS (Open Judging)</b>	
		47      Aircraft
		48      Military
		49      Civilian
		50      Sci-Fi, Fantasy, Gundam and Miscellaneous
		<b>SPECIAL AWARDS</b>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judges Best of Show</li> <li>• Best Aircraft (Nundi Romano Award)</li> <li>• Best Armor Award</li> <li>• Best Vehicle (Ron Garland Award)</li> <li>• Best Ship (Mark Leavitt Award)</li> <li>• Best Figure, Diorama &amp; Vignette Award</li> <li>• Best Sci-Fi, Real Space &amp; Gundam Award</li> <li>• Best Scratch-built or Conversion (Cliff Haines Award)</li> <li>• Best Juniors</li> </ul>

## General Rules

1. All entered models should be at least 75% plastic (**no wooden models**) – with the exception of figures and 1/43 scale cars. NOTE – Models entered in Scratch-built & Conversion Categories (11, 19, 32 & 41) need not meet the 75% plastic requirement.
2. No sweeps – one winning entry per contestant per category (**except in open judged categories**).
3. **No previous DowneastCon first place winner, nor any AMPS or IPMS Regional or National winners (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) are eligible to be entered in competition.**
4. Out of Box means just what it says – the model is assembled from the contents of the kit box. No altering or modifying of the kit parts unless detailed in the instructions. **INSTRUCTION SHEETS MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THE DISPLAY AT THE TIME OF ENTRY** Rigging, antennas or decals for seat belts may be added. Aftermarket decals are allowed.
5. In the Documented Vehicle category, a photo of the real vehicle **MUST** accompany the model.
6. Collection: 3 to 5 models that will be judged on how closely the models are related to one another. **A collection with more than 5 models WILL NOT be judged.**
7. Each entry must be built by person named on registration form. **No absentee registration, the builder must be present.**
8. DowneastCon SMSM/IPMS Head Judges decision will be final. Judges may eliminate or split categories as needed.
9. **Models will NOT be handled. A base will be provided to place the model on to assist in turning during judging (except for some larger models).**
10. No nude figures per IPMS guidelines
11. All dioramas must fit on the show tables. Please limit your diorama to a maximum 24 x 36 inch base.

*Neither the Southern Maine Scale Modelers nor the hall proprietors will be liable for loss or damage to the exhibits, or to personal property at the exhibit location.*