

MIDWEST MINI MAYHEM
LIVE MODEL HORSE SHOW
April 26, 2025

Show Hall:

Wild Rose Elementary School, 36W730 Red Haw Lane, St. Charles, IL

Show Holder:

Kerri Gehrman Johnson

Fundraising Co-Chairs:

Shannon Rodgers, Kerry Walsh

SHOW INFORMATION:

This is a mini show to benefit the development & maintenance of Model Horse University in a BIG way!

DIVISIONS OFFERED AND JUDGES:

- Mini OF China Halter & Collectability - Judge: Teria Bayahia (MI)
- Mini Custom Glaze China Halter & Workmanship - Judge: Carra McClelland (NE)
- Mini OF Breyer/Other Plastic Halter & Breyer Collectability - Judge: Lauren Hoeffler (AZ)
- Mini OF Stone Plastic Halter & Collectability - Judge: Lisa Esping
- Mini Custom Halter & Workmanship - Judge: Tegan Leighton (VT)
- Large Mini Artist Resin Halter & Workmanship - Judge: Karen Beeson
- Small Mini Artist Resin Halter & Workmanship - Judge: Jenna Murphy
- Mini Performance - Judge: Tiffany Purdy
- Vintage Workmanship (NAN Qualifying) & Mini pets division (not NAN qualifying) - Judge: Shannon Rodgers

LOCATION:

The Midwest Mini Mayhem will be held 2025 in St. Charles, IL at Wild Rose Elementary School. Doors open at 7am, and judging begins at 8am. Please enter the building through door number 20, off of Thornly Road on the east side of the building. This door is the same level as the parking lot, and is easily accessible for carts. After unloading your car, please move it to the front of the building. Thank you!

ENTRY:

To enter, please complete the google form here: <https://forms.gle/riaVS5ew6H2KeaXb9>

FEES:

Entry for a standard 4 foot table space is \$80

Entry for an extended 8 foot table space is \$105

This year, due to this being a mini show, a standard entry space will be a 4 foot table space.

Judges are permitted to enter any division they are not judging.

PROXY SHOWING: Proxy showers must be a registered and paid entrant for this show to be a proxy shower.

1-15 horses, no additional table space will be allocated \$40

OR Over 16 horses, 4ft table space will be allocated adjacent to proxy shower \$80

You may sell from your show tables, however no additional shelving or display space may be set up next to or in addition to your table space. At this time, additional sales tables will not be sold. As the show date approaches, we may make sales tables available based on what space is left.

NAMHSA:

Midwest Mini Mayhem has been approved for [NAMHSA](#) member show status. Any horse receiving a 1st or a 2nd place in a NAMHSA class is eligible to compete at NAN 2025 - 2028.

SCHEDULE

Show hall opens at 7:00 am and classes start at 8:00 am sharp. We will have a short break for lunch and for dinner and plan on continuing the show into the early evening until all classes are finished.

AWARDS:

- Paper flats through 6th place in all classes
- Rosettes to Section & Overall Division Champs and Reserves

SUPPORTING MODEL HORSE UNIVERSITY:

We are planning on having an in person silent auction, raffle, online auction, and door prizes. We are seeking donations for all. No donation is too small! Donors will be mentioned on the Model Horse University website, facebook page, and the show program. All funds will go towards the development and maintenance of Model Horse University. To donate, please contact Kerry Walsh (k.walsh2103@gmail.com) or Shannon Rodgers (shannontrudgers@gmail.com). If you would like to donate funds directly to Model Horse University, you may send it via paypal to kerri@modelhorseuniversity.com.

SPONSORSHIPS:

Sponsorships will be announced at the show and placed in the results. Please complete this form:

<https://forms.gle/dnBnikzrDySLWRSQ6> to apply.

CLASS - If you would like to sponsor a class, the price is \$3.

CHAMPIONSHIP - If you would like to sponsor a championship, the price is \$5.

DIVISION - If you would like to sponsor a division, the price is \$10.

GENERAL SHOW RULES:

RINGS: It is our intention to run all divisions in their rings concurrently with reasonable pacing.

SEATING: Tables will be assigned to entrants. Please let the show holder know via the entry form what friends you wish to sit with, and we will do our best to accommodate you.

TAGS: Tags must list the name of the horse, breed, gender and your THREE initials **all on one side**. Please make sure that side is up when you set up your horse. Tag flipping is risky with the littles. Please write legibly.

SPLITS: Classes will be split at the discretion of the judges and show holders.

JUDGE COURTESY: Please refrain from talking to a judge while they are judging. Judges will be happy to explain placings after a class, but their decisions are final. Please be polite and courteous and remember that you are paying for their opinion (even if you don't agree with it). Please don't crowd rings that are being judged or peek over a judge's shoulder during judging.

SHOWER COURTESY: NEVER touch or pick up a model without the owner's explicit permission. Be aware of your surroundings. Accidents do happen but be careful, so you aren't the cause of one. If you break or damage an item of someone else's, be prepared to pay for it. Unsportsmanlike conduct, harassment of judges and/or show staff, or offensive behavior or language will NOT be tolerated. Anyone exhibiting these behaviors will be removed from the show hall without a refund.

LUNCH: There will be a short break for lunch. Showers are welcome to obtain or bring their own food.

We may be placing a group order from local restaurant(s); information about that will be posted in the facebook show group closer to the show date.

DINNER: There will be a short break for dinner if/as needed, depending on where we are in the classlists. Showers are welcome to obtain or bring their own food.

HALTER DIVISION: DEFINITIONS, CLASS LIMITS, and RULES:

DIVISION DESCRIPTIONS:

Large Mini = Venti, Little Bit/Paddock Pal, Pebbles, Curio, and Stablemate, Chips scales

Small Mini = Bantam, Micro, Mini Whinny, and itty bitty (HO train scale, etc.) scales

CLASS LIMITS: A horse may enter only ONE halter **and** ONE workmanship or collectability division class. There is an entrant limit of **FOUR horses per class. Anything over that limit can be entered for a \$1 donation.**

BREED DOCUMENTATION: Breed documentation is not required, however may be provided at the shower's discretion, especially if the breed or a color characteristic is not as well known. Documentation may be no larger than 9" x 6".

COLLECTABILITY DOCUMENTATION: Collectability documentation IS REQUIRED in all collectability classes. Documentation may be no larger than 9" x 6".

WORKMANSHIP DOCUMENTATION: Workmanship documentation is not required, however may be provided at the shower's discretion. Documentation may be no larger than 9" x 6".

PERFORMANCE DOCUMENTATION: Performance documentation is not required, however may be provided at the shower's discretion. Documentation may be no larger than 9" x 6".

OF CHINA: Entries in this division are to be a china mass-produced model in its original state as released by the manufacturer.

CUSTOM GLAZE CHINA: Entries in this division are to be China/porcelain/pottery models finished in a unique glaze finish, regardless of where the finish was created.

CUSTOMS: Entries in this division can be china or plastic that have been customized, painted, and/or haired.

ORIGINAL FINISH BREYER/OTHER PLASTIC: Entries in this division can be Breyer or any other mass-produced factory original finish produced plastic.

ORIGINAL FINISH STONE: Entries in this division can be only Stone factory original finish produced plastic.

ARTIST RESINS: Entries in this division can be cast resin, 3D printed, pewter or other acceptable materials.

FOAL CLASSES: All halter divisions have a separate foal section. Open for foals, weanlings and yearlings.

NO SET UPS or handlers in halter! Exceptions for protective cloth for tippy or fragile models of course.

PERFORMANCE: Performance classes are to include any finish and make mini model.

JUDGES will assume they have permission to handle models if they feel it's warranted. Please leave a note with your entry if you object.

CHAMPIONS & RESERVES will be named following each section, Overall Division Champs and reserves will be named at the conclusion of all the division sections.

BREED DEFINITIONS: NAN 2024 Breed reference link:

<https://namhsa.org/content/uploads/NAN2024/NAMHSA-Breed-Cross-Ref-2024.pdf>

OTHER GENERAL RULES:

ANYONE displaying bad behavior, language, or poor sportsmanship will be asked to leave the show hall with no refund.

DO NOT pick up anyone's belongings without permission.

NO SMOKING in the building.

PARENTS are responsible for their children's actions and asked not to cause a disturbance or touch the models.

NO PETS unless it's a service animal as permitted under ADA law.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY Once your entry is received & processed, there are no refunds.

LIABILITY: The show holders, judges, support staff, and the school district cannot be held responsible for any lost, broken, or missing property or injury to any participants or spectators.

Please **LISTEN** for all announcements! There will be many rings going at the same time so be attentive!

REMEMBER that this is a hobby and live shows are for fun! Relax and respect your fellow participants and we will all have a great time.

CASUAL HOBBY FRIDAY NIGHT GATHERING:

Friday after the staff finishes setting up (about 5:30 or 6pm-ish), we will gather for dinner at La Mesa Modern Mexican and everyone is welcome! Watch the show facebook group for more information as the show date approaches. La Mesa Modern Mexican is at 51 S.1st Street in St. Charles www.lamesamodernmexican.com

LOCAL INFORMATION:

THE IDEAL LOCAL HOTEL:

The Hotel Baker has been in downtown St. Charles since 1927. It is located at 110 West Main Street, and is about two miles from the show hall and within walking distance of at least two dozen restaurants, bars, and bakeries along Main Street on both sides of the river. It is a historic and unique hotel—Jenny McCarthy and Donnie Wahlburg were married there! We do not have a group rate with them, however it has a place dear to Kerri's heart as a key piece of St. Charles history. Parking is in city public lots and unloading is a small pull-off right on Main street. Consider Hotel Baker: www.hotelbaker.com (630)584-2100

OTHER LOCAL CHOICES:

Hampton Inn & Suites

2875 Foxfield Rd, St. Charles, IL 60174

(630) 584-0222

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/chiffhx-hampton-suites-chicago-st-charles/>

** Easy in and out of hotel, ample parking, free breakfast, fitness center, and pool

Hilton Garden Inn

4070 E Main St, St. Charles, IL 60174

(630) 584-0700

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/chiscgi-hilton-garden-inn-st-charles/>

** Easy in and out of hotel, ample parking, restaurant on site, fitness center, and pool

